

# **Happy Holidays!**

by Washington County Project Manager, Geoffrey Kavulya

As the year draws to a close, I would like to extend our deepest gratitude to our project team, for their contributions in getting the project on a solid footing. Great strides have been made since the groundbreaking ceremony held in September. Quite frankly, well done is better than well said, and the project team continues to demonstrate that with their inordinate dedication towards meeting challenging, yet critical project deadlines. The project team has put in concerted effort, above and beyond the call of duty, and this has truly helped to ensure that we meet our benchmarks in a timely fashion. As we look back with nostalgia at our achievements and successes in 2018, we should not forget the challenges that lie ahead, and therefore let us plan on continuing the momentum in 2019. Remember, it is okay to take a breather for the holidays. As we prepare to unwind, relax and celebrate, it is important to pause for a moment and reflect on the year that has passed and the lessons learned moving forward.

Moreover, on behalf of the project team, I would also like to thank the County leadership, our partners at City of Hillsboro and Washington County Visitors Association, and all other stakeholders for their sustained and purposeful support to keep the project on a forward trajectory.

I want to wish you and everybody close to you a joyous festive season and a prosperous New Year. As always, thank you for all you do.



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## **Project Scope:**

Build a state of the art Event facility at the Washington County Fair Complex that includes approximately 40,000 square feet of exposition space and a 14,000 sf, state-of-the-art, conference center, complete with commercial kitchen, concessions and offices.



## Spotlight on....





## **Consultant Spotlight: Coffman Excavation**

By Matt Ballard Project Manager, Coffman Excavation





Clint Whitaker is a Site Superintendent with Coffman Excavation. He has 25 years' experience in the construction industry including all facets of utilities, grading, paving and excavation. Clint has learned these trades first-hand as a laborer, operator, foreman and eventually as a superintendent. His passion for this trade is evident on many projects for private developers, general contractors, as well as city and state agencies ranging in contract value upwards of \$15 million. Two of Clint's greater joys of working in the Heavy Civil Industry is the ability to work on varying projects and training the next generation of workers. When Clint is not working, he enjoys to go hunting, fishing and motorcycle riding with his son.

## Consultant Spotlight: DOWL

As an integrated team of land use planners, landscape architects, and civil engineers, DOWL prides itself in creating thoughtful plans and designs for places where people can work, live, shop, play and share exceptional experiences. We are honored to have been selected by LRS Architects and Washington County to help lead the land use permitting and civil engineering for the event center project, a project that embodies the spirit of civic and community engagement that inspires us to plan, design and build great spaces.

The development and growth of DOWL's presence in the Portland market in many ways runs parallel with the progress of the event center project. DOWL opened its Portland office with 18 initial staff 2015. At approximately the same time, the City and County commenced early planning and permitting efforts for the project and DOWL was engaged under the LRS team to lead City permitting efforts. Three years later, DOWL has expanded to include over 50 employees in the local market—after its recent merger with the firm OBEC— and the event center project is now under construction. We are extremely excited to see the project reach this critical milestone and are thrilled to have had the opportunity contribute its development.

By Read Stapleton, AICP Planning Group Manager





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### **Archive Issues:**

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## **Project Milestones**

#### Accomplishments

- Groundbreaking 9/2018
- Service Provider Letter (Clean Water Services) -10/2018
- Public Utility Easement (in recording)- 10/2018
- Public Infrastructure / Private Utility Permits 10/2018
- Structural award package advertised -11/2018
- Sub-Bids for concrete portion received 11/2018

#### In Progress

- Design Review and Approval by City
- Variance report for value analysis enhancements
- Site work continues

# Watch the project:

https://app.oxblue.com/open/washingtonco/eventcenter



