

THE WHITFORD QUARTERLY

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THE L.C. WHITFORD FEATURE JOB

Buck Run Road Project

By: Keith Burnham

The Buck Run Road project was constructed for the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.

If you know anything about DCNR projects, you know they are located in the middle of no man's land. This one was no exception. Our crew found themselves in the backwoods of Sergeant Township in McKean County. It was a bridge replacement consisting of a single span, pre-stressed concrete, spread box beam superstructure with a 50' normal clear opening and an out to out width of 21'.

Our L.C. Whitford Materials Division, located in Wellsville N.Y, supplied the three pre-stressed beams that were utilized on the project. The structure was supported on cast-in-place concrete abutments on piles driven to bedrock.

This project offered unusual obstacles and considerations. These included one staff member having his lunch taken from his truck by a bear, and coyotes leaving their paw prints in wet concrete. Never a dull moment! Fortunately, our longtime experienced Superintendent Dick Fanton found ways to get the job done.

I would like to thank Dick and his crew for making this project such a success. See you on the next big one.

**SAFETY
 UPDATE
 This Quarter
 120,231
 Man Hours
 With
 0
 Lost Time
 Accident.**

**Keep up the
 good work!!!!**

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MATERIALS COMPANY - LARRY CRAST

Ontario Street over Irondequoit Creek, Village of East Rochester, New York - In June of this year we received an order from Crane-Hogan Structural Systems for beams and bearings for the Ontario Street Bridge Replacement in East Rochester, NY. A new bridge was constructed using (3) Type 36D NEXT beams. The beams were 69'-1" long and weighed 62 tons each. They were erected using two cranes and LCW's 80' slider beam. The pictures below show the beams being erected.

NEXT beams are gaining popularity in New York and Pennsylvania. This type of beam is used on bridges with 30' to 90' spans. Widths of the beams are variable, typically from 8' to 12', so there is a lot of flexibility that Designers can take advantage of.

As can be seen from the email, the Customer was pleased with all aspects of our performance from production through delivery. Another job well done by everyone involved!



From: Tim Younger
Sent: Monday, September 23, 2019
 7:42 PM

To: Larry Crast; Kevin Sharpe
Subject: FW: D035406 Ontario St Bridge - NEXT Beam Erection

Larry / Kevin – Thanks for the great service today. NEXT Beam process from contract, shop drawings, delivery and erection was timely, efficient, and smooth from our perspective. We look forward to doing another one in the future.

Regards

Tim Younger
 Superintendent

Crane-Hogan Structural Systems, Inc.

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EQUIPMENT COMPANY - BRUCE STRAIGHT

The Equipment Company has had a very busy third quarter. We had a display this year at the 72nd Annual New York State Woodsmen's Field Days in Boonville, NY. This is the largest Forestry Show in New York State with over 200 Exhibitors. We saw many of our current customers stop in at our booth and also met many new prospects.

We sold and delivered a new Morbark 3400X Wood Hog horizontal grinder to a municipality in New York. We also have delivered two new TimberPro TL735B Feller Bunchers and a new TF830D Forwarder. A couple used TimberPro Feller Bunchers and a used Morbark 40/36 Chipper were also sold. The parts and service departments have been very busy keeping our customers up and running.



New York State Woodsmens Field Days



TimberPro TL735B



Morbark 40/36 Chipper

PRESIDENT'S CORNER - BRAD WHITFORD

It's cliché to say where did the season go, but where *did* it go?! It was June a couple weeks ago wasn't it?

We have accomplished a lot of great work this year. It was unusual to have as much NY work as we have had this year. I never thought I would be in a position to say that! The Materials Company just completed its production season after producing 224 beams and other structural components along with some railroad precast. The Equipment Company has had a great year with three new Morbark pieces and ten new TimberPro pieces sold. We have sold 68 new TimberPros since becoming a dealer in 2009! Things are still very busy with the railroad division. We have 13 ongoing or not yet started projects in six different states. Another interesting development is that we have received a purchase order to do over 40 containments (Polyurea) for Dominion Energy in Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina and Maryland.

We'll gear up for the 2020 season. 2020 – it has a nice ring to it for some reason!

*Regards,
 Brad*

GEORGIA UPDATE - KARL YOUNG



Project #19053 – Signs & Sign Structures for Tyler Perry Studios

After spending a decade at the nearby 60-acre Greenbriar studio location, Tyler Perry expanded his business when acquiring 330 acres of historic land at the de-commissioned Fort McPherson in Atlanta. Over the last three years they have worked to develop the property into one of the largest TV and motion picture studios in the world. Home to many popular shows, the studio has 12 sound stages, 40 buildings on the national registry for historic places and 200 acres of green space. The studio’s Grand Opening was held the weekend of October 5th, 2019.

So how does The L. C. Whitford Co., Inc. fit in? Well, we were fortunate to land the contract to replace signs and sign structures for the studio. We are changing the existing GDOT overhead and special roadside signs that currently read “Fort McPherson” with new signs that will read “Tyler Perry Studios”. The first phase of work consisted of temporarily modifying the existing signs so the “Fort McPherson” was covered up with “Tyler Perry Studios” prior to the Grand Opening on October 5th.

Phase one work was successfully completed; we are currently working on phase two of construction. In addition to new signage on the project there are six overhead sign structures being replaced. As is typical with these type projects one foundation is located on the right shoulder of the roadway and the other foundation in the median. We’ve completed all survey work and await shop drawings from the structures’ manufacturer. We are currently setting temporary concrete barrier and removing barrier wall in the median of Langford Parkway to make room for the new structure foundations. We will be replacing the concrete median barrier and pouring new foundations once design is approved by GDOT.

The signs and structures won’t take long to erect once materials are delivered. Our goal is to finish this project by the end of 2019 however our work schedule will be dictated by the GDOT

approval process and production schedules by the manufacturers for signs and structures.

Tyler Perry is a world-renowned producer, director, actor, screenwriter, playwright, author, songwriter, entrepreneur and philanthropist. He is the epitome of the rags to riches story and an icon in the film industry. It is refreshing to step away from the typical highway or railroad project and complete a project for an amazing star in the Atlanta community. We are proud to be working on this unique project.



BEFORE



AFTER



SAFETY UPDATE - DAVE SHIELDS

It’s getting to be cold weather time once again, and with it comes the conclusion of the 2019 construction season. It’s hard to believe that 2020 is just a few weeks off! Our 2019 injury record has been just short of stellar this year with very few comp claims and fewer first aid injuries than we’ve had in many years. “Lost time” accidents were nearly non-existent, and for that we thank each and every one of our employees for their attention to working safely and carefully throughout the year.

Our new programs such as sexual harassment training, silica training and procedures, crane operation criterion and others have been rolled out with minimal glitches and we’ve got a great start for next year.

Have a great Holiday Season and I’m looking forward to 2020!!!

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FINAL THOUGHT

"Things work out best for those who make the best of how things work out." ~John Wooden

RECENT CONTRACTS AWARDED

Georgia

- Sign structure, Tyler Perry Studios, GA.
- GADOT-Bridge rehab. I-285/SR 407.
- GADOT-Emergency bridge repair US 41, Bartow County CW Matthews—SR 92 waterproofing.

Maryland

- CSX RR - Bridge strike 46.20 Monrovia, MD.

Mississippi

- Norfolk Southern - Steel repairs, Pochuta, MS.

New York

- NYS DOT, D264070, Rt 248 bridge, Whitesville, NY.
- MHWA RR - Lyons Falls Branch culvert, Marcy, NY.
- NYS&W bridge repairs, Syracuse, NY.

Pennsylvania Jobs

- Norfolk Southern - Steel & pier repair, Gibraltar, PA.
- Norfolk Southern - Bridge rehab, Juniata Creek bridge, Duncannon, PA.
- Pike Township - Hard Scrabble Road bridge rehab.

Virginia

- Dominion - Waterproofing Hermitage, Woodward, Inc.
- Dominion - Waterproofing Elmont, VA, CW Matthews.
- Dominion - Containment water proofing, multiple locations.

West Virginia

- Kanawha River RR - Ohio & West Virginia bridge steel repairs.

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RAILROAD UPDATE - CHUCK MONTANYE

As of this writing The L.C. Whitford Company has been awarded 18 railroad projects in 2019. These are for six different railroads in eight different states. As usual Norfolk Southern is our largest client. In addition we have two projects awarded in 2018 that are not yet complete and we have several pending proposals and other projects that we are presently looking at to bid. Thank you to all who are part of our railroad workload for the safe and quality work you perform.



*Norfolk Southern
Span Replacement, Bethlehem, PA.*



*Norfolk Southern
Concrete Encasement, Amherst, VA*



*NYS&W Railway
Culvert Replacement, Deposit, NY*

CHUCK'S CHUCKLE

A motorcycle mechanic was removing a cylinder head from the motor of a Harley when he spotted a well-known cardiologist in his shop.

The cardiologist was there waiting for the service manager to come and take a look at his bike when the mechanic shouted across the garage "Hey Doc, take a look at this." The cardiologist, a bit surprised, walked over to where the mechanic was working on a motorcycle.

The mechanic straightened up, wiped his hands on a rag and said, "So Doc, look at this engine. I opened its heart, took the valves out, repaired or replaced anything damaged, and then put everything back in, and when I finished, it worked just like new. So how is it that I make \$30,000 a year and you make a million when you and I are doing the same work?"

The cardiologist paused, leaned over, and then whispered to the mechanic, "Try doing it with the engine running."