

THE WHITFORD QUARTERLY

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THE L.C. WHITFORD FEATURE JOB

Norfolk Southern-Amherst, VA

Dave Faulkner



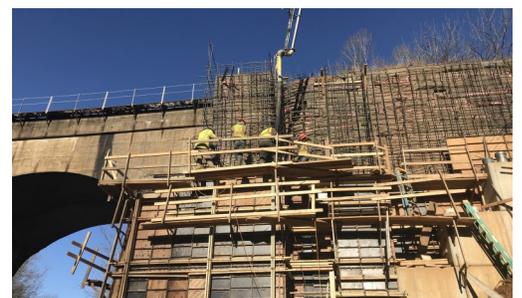
When Chuck and I first discussed the Amherst, VA job, he knew access was going to be the key to completing the job successfully. The work consisted of encasing part of the North and South abutments and wingwalls. The double stone arch bridge which crosses over the Buffalo River was over 150' long and over a mile from the nearest crossing. We had to get over 500 yards of concrete and 60,000 lbs. of rebar out there, plus all the material needed to form up the two abutment and wingwall encasements. To make matters worse it was over 40' high with very steep embankments. With limited track time available, working from the top seemed awkward at best. There was a paved road about 1500' that ran parallel to the railroad. If we could gain access from that road along the Buffalo River, we could perform all our work from the bottom.

The property that we needed to access was owned by the USDA. After numerous attempts, Rob Faulkner finally found a contact at the USDA in Richmond VA. We were very disappointed in finding out that they couldn't give us permission to cross their property. They were in the preliminary stages of putting the property up for bid. This was good news; if we could purchase the property it would give us a staging area about halfway between our Wellsville, NY yard and our Georgia Yard. The USDA expedited the process for us. The bad- we were out bid on the property. The good- the new owner was willing to give us access for a reasonable fee.

We proceeded to cut a road through the wooded area. Within a week Rob Faulkner and his crew were forming and pouring concrete. Jeremy Faulkner, the carpenter foreman, and Scott Wilson, the rebar foreman, took a very young crew and performed an impressive amount of work in a relatively short amount of time.

Just prior to Thanksgiving Jeremy Faulkner and a few members of the crew had to go to Mississippi for a steel repair job. In Jeremy's absence, Dar Carlson and his crew came in and picked up the baton and did an excellent job of keeping the job on track.

Rob would like to thank the following people for their help and support: Jeremy Faulkner, Scott Wilson, Dar Carlson, Drake Hillier, Bryce Herington, Jacob Lawrow, Charlie Hamilton (Chucky), Jeff Getman, Christopher Marzullo, Kyle Wilson, Ken Kellert, Donnie McNealy, Derek Kreamer, Tim Mitchell, Randy Geffers, David Goodwin, Dave Ford, Danny Friel, Bill Delaney, and Jim Zink for making sure he always had the personnel to get the work done.



**SAFETY
 UPDATE
 This Quarter**

94,809

**Man Hours
 With**

0

**Lost Time
 Accident.**

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

MATERIALS COMPANY - DANIEL WHITFORD

The L.C. Whitford Materials Company concluded last year's production in early October 2019. It was a standard year with the casting of various prestressed girders for both New York & Pennsylvania DOTs, various county work, as well as precast for several Norfolk Southern Railroad projects. We are currently performing routine preventative maintenance on our Redi-Mix concrete plant and just completed a steam cleaning of our multi-use building. That service was provided by JJH power washing. The Materials Company is building a nice backlog for next year's production as we continue to bid work weekly. We are hoping for good things in the New Year!



A look back from photos in 2019.



EQUIPMENT COMPANY - BRUCE STRAIGHT

The Equipment Company is finishing up another good year of sales. We have sold and delivered 8 new and 4 used TimberPro machines this year. Since becoming a TimberPro Dealer in 2009, we have now delivered 69 new machines. This is a quite an accomplishment for a small dealership with one location. We have also sold 5 new and 2 used Morbark Grinders and Chippers. We also have several deals in the works for the first quarter and it looks like 2020 will be another good year.

The Parts Department is finishing another strong year in sales and the Service Department has completed several large customer repairs and continues to be very busy. Thank you to everyone for another successful year.



Equipment Display



Delivery of used TimberPro Forwarder

PRESIDENT'S CORNER - BRAD WHITFORD

Wishing everyone a Happy New Year! As we look forward to our 2020 construction season, I am encouraged by some new and existing opportunities. Our work-on-hand for the railroad is significant and we have lots of upcoming bids. Chuck Montanye told me that he thinks we could end up with *too much* railroad work depending on bids due this month. We usually worry about that in May! It also appears that we are going to have an enormous amount of polyurea containment system work for various energy companies this year. We currently have 52 of them under our belt with literally hundreds more in the works. Those projects are located in Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina and Maryland.

The NYSDOT and PENNDOT bridge programs for 2020 look a little light. That said, we will continue to go after any appropriate projects in our area and try to supplement with county and other municipal projects. We also have a handful of Georgia projects that we will be bidding later this month.

Stay tuned.

Regards,
Brad

GEORGIA UPDATE - KARL YOUNG

Project #19002 – Bridge Rehab on SR1 & SR 8 in District 6

There are two bridges on this GDOT rehabilitation project. Bridge #1 is located in Rome, GA. Work here consisted of bridge jacking, pier cap replacements, polymer bridge deck overlay, epoxy pressure injection, resealing bridge joints and bridge painting.

Bridge #2 is located on SR 8 west of Tallapoosa, GA near the Alabama state line. At this location completed work includes new edge beam construction, concrete patching, epoxy pressure injection, concrete latex overlay, and resealing bridge joints.

All work on this contract is complete except for the bridge painting at both locations. Our subcontractor will soon begin this work and should be complete by April 1, 2020.

Project #19048 – Bridge Rehab on I-85 over Piedmont Rd

GDOT issued LCW the Notice to Proceed for this contract at the end of August. We have completed concrete patching of beams, carbon fiber wrap on beams, and epoxy pressure injection of concrete columns. It has been frustrating this fall waiting on acceptable weather during week-end only work hours to perform the polymer bridge deck overlay. Since the middle of October, it has either been too wet or too cold on every workable weekend. We are hopeful for a few good weather weekends this winter, but realistically anticipate this project to be fired back up in March. There are 70,937 SY of polymer overlay to complete and over 6,800 LF of bridge joints to seal. We have at least 16 busy work weekends ahead once Mother Nature allows.

Project #19053 – Sign Project for Tyler Perry Studios

Work has finally resumed since the shop drawing submittals for the new structures were recently approved by GDOT. Our crews are currently constructing foundations for the new structures and will begin pouring back concrete median barrier sections in January/February. The new structures and signs should be erected before the end of March assuming no material delays. We plan to have the project complete by April 1, 2020.

Project #19063 – Emergency Response Sign Project in District 3

GDOT awarded LCW this emergency response sign construction project in November. We will be erecting 8 new extruded aluminum panel signs on new posts at various locations in District 3 from Macon to Columbus. Materials are in our possession and we will begin work on January 6, 2020.



Concrete Patching



Polymer Overlay



Carbon Fiber Wrap



Concrete Patching

SAFETY UPDATE - DAVE SHIELDS

Once again, it's January and we're looking forward to another construction year. I hope everyone had a safe and happy Holiday Season!

I'm trying to get some ideas underway for this year's New York Safety Seminar and am hoping to look at mid-to-late February this year. Georgia's program will be scheduled when we can better determine the mid-winter workload. Any ideas, suggestions or critiques you wish to offer to make this year's effort a better program, please contact me! We're always interested in new speakers, as well, so if you know of one please let me know. Stay tuned for further details, and have a safe and productive, Happy 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

- GADOT, A200701-Fayette County SR 85.
- CW Matthews Subcontract - Waterproof SR92.

Kentucky

- Norfolk Southern - Masonry & Steel repairs, Fisherville, KY.

Maryland

- CSX RR - Fayette Street bridge, Cumberland, MD.

New York

- NYSDOT, D264059, Region 6 When & Where Highway contract.
- NYOGS, 45539C- Conduit repair, flood protection various locations, Steuben County.
- Industrial Power - Subcontract Gowanda Correctional Facility Gates.
- Wyoming County - Simmons Road bridge replacement.

Ohio

- Norfolk Southern - Span replacement Kingston, OH.

Pennsylvania Jobs

- Norfolk Southern - Rehab. Little Jaunita Creek bridge.
- Susquehanna Valley subcontract - ECMS 5084 - Bradford County SR 2010.
- National Fuel Gas - Clarmont Compressor Station.
- National Fuel Gas - Trout Run Compressor Station.

Virginia

- Dominion - Clifton Substation, new reactor, Fairfax County.
- Dominion - Clover Substation.
- Dominion - Woodward Substation.

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POLY UREA UPDATE- JUSTIN FILLHART

The L.C. Whitford Co., Inc. started a waterproofing and containment division in 2012. Since its inception the specialty work division has been steadily increasing our client base and revenue for the company.

Most recently, LCW was awarded a multiple location project for a large electric producer in the Mid-Atlantic Region. The initial contract included installing our polyurea liner panels to create a new containment for their transformers located inside their substations. Since the first installation, that contract is now on course to more than double.

Two dedicated crews with an occasional third crew has been working in Virginia and North Carolina, with additional locations in Maryland and West Virginia slated for 2020. This work has also expanded into their power generation facilities and new construction projects for the provider. This work has also helped LCW to get the Georgia Division involved with the specialty coatings group and look at expanding our Polyurea Division even further south.

We would like to thank the crews of Caleb Freeman, Jason Bishop, and Marty Watson for stepping up and helping to expand our market. For any information on our specialty coatings division, please contact Justin Fillhart @ jfillhart@lcwhitford.com or at (610)755-8153

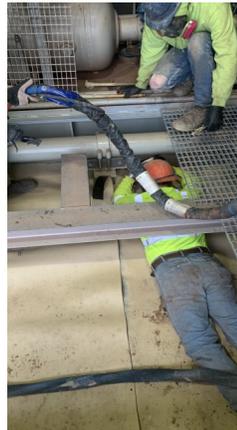


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Dominion: Clover Power Station

← Seneca



Norfolk Southern Bridge
Atlanta, GA



National Fuel
Compressor Station

Dominion: Elmont



CHUCK'S CHUCKLE

DOG DIET

I was at my local Tractor Supply Store buying a large bag of dog food and was waiting in the checkout line when a woman behind me asked if I had a dog.

What did she think, I had an elephant. On impulse I told her “No, I don’t have a dog, I was starting the Dog Diet again.” I added “I probably shouldn’t because I ended up in the hospital last time, but I had lost 10 pounds before I woke up in intensive care with tubes coming out of most of my orifices and IV’s in both arms.”

I told her that “it was essentially a perfect diet and that the way it works is to load your pockets with dog nuggets and simply eat one or two every time you feel hungry. The food is nutritionally complete so it works well and I was going to try it again.” By this time everybody in the checkout line is listening to my story.

Horrified, the woman asked “did you end up in intensive care because the dog food poisoned you?” “I said, “no, I stepped off the curb to sniff a pretty Cocker Spaniel’s rear end and a car hit me.” Everyone in line was laughing and the man behind the woman was almost having a heart attack he was laughing so hard.

The store manager had to come over and stop our conversation as we were having too much fun. I don’t think they want me back in the store.