

BOND UPDATE #141

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Here's what is going on with our bond projects:

1. We discovered that we may qualify for a rebate from Cascade Natural Gas of nearly \$65,000 for purchasing and using high-efficiency equipment for our construction products.
2. That isn't the only financial help our new Ferndale High School project may receive. The district is eligible to apply for a grant of \$90,374 from the Washington State Arts Commission. If we receive the grant, we would be able to commission a local artist to add some art to our new campus.
3. Work on the FHS campus has continued to progress this week. Some of the highlights are outlined below:
 - a. The third-floor concrete slabs in the academic wing were completed this week. This opens the entire building for framing, electrical and mechanical installation work. The only slab remaining in the building is the floor of the mechanical mezzanine on the roof, which should likely be completed within the next two weeks.
 - b. The first section of footings for the football field grandstands was poured last Friday. Next week, forming of the retaining wall between the grandstands and the Bus Facility will begin.
 - c. Welding, decking, and detailing work is ongoing in the Academic Wing's east end and should wrap up over the next couple weeks.
 - d. Floor decking for the mechanical mezzanines in the Athletic Wing was finished this week. Once electrical and mechanical items are placed, the slab will be poured at the end of next week.
 - e. Roof panels are now complete in the Athletic Wing, and roofing work got rolling this week. It won't be long until that area will be dry for workers.
 - f. Interior framing work is ongoing and heading towards the east end of the Academic Wing. Meanwhile, crews are about 80% complete with exterior framing work.
 - g. Electricians, plumbers, and ventilation crews continue to install items that will eventually be buried in the walls and ceilings of the new buildings. They're making good progress and heading towards the Academic Wing's east end. Once framing starts rolling on the third floor, the electricians, plumbers, and ventilation crews will get started at the west end and follow the framers to the east.
 - h. Frame installation has now started in the Academic Wing. The door frames are made from light gauge steel and are installed before the sheetrock. The doors will be installed later once the walls and frames are painted.

- i. The weather barrier is now being installed on the Academic Wing's south side, starting in the west and heading east.
 - j. Temporary roofing is now substantially complete in the Academic Wing. Now that it's finished, electricians can begin installing wiring. Wiring is moisture sensitive and can only be installed in a dry environment.
4. At the end of this week's update, you will find several photos from the Ferndale High School site. You can also find more photos on the district website at the following link: [Bond 2019 - Ferndale School District \(ferndalesd.org\)](http://ferndalesd.org)
5. The Ferndale School Board received an update on bond-related projects at their regular meeting Tuesday. They were also told about the Cascade Natural Gas rebate and the Arts Commission grant and informed that there may be an opportunity for them to tour the FHS construction site in February.

If you have questions or comments about any of the content of this update, please feel free to reach out to me or one of my colleagues.

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