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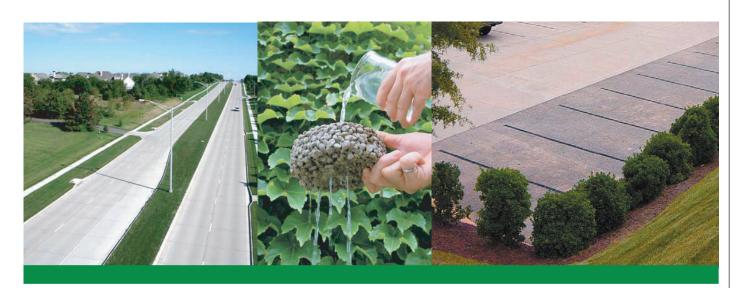
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Top 10 jobs a foundation for economy

While there may not be the cranes in the sky we were promised after Hurricane Katrina, there's definitely no shortage of construction work in the New Orleans area.



Christian Moises

The Top Construction Projects of 2010 set a record, representing nearly \$23.7 billion in work. And that's just the Top 10 list as more projects are on the horizon with others under construction not included in this publication.

Several of the projects included in this year's Top 10 started this year and are scheduled to wrap up in the next three years, while a handful of others are ongoing and expected to finish this year. Others are in progress but waiting for funding to continue with future phases.

Half of the projects are related to Hurricane Katrina repairs or rebuilding, and they providing the region with much needed upgrades to infrastructure and storm protection.

The economic recovery, albeit slow, also is starting to be felt throughout the area.

Looking through the "Progress Report" section, three projects the economy sidelined last year have resumed, with work scaled down or cut into phases in some cases. Two more have been completed and another was scrapped completely.

While not every construction project in the region is detailed, the ones profiled in the following pages cover a broad swath of community needs: transportation, energy, education, storm protection, housing, community safety and national defense.

This widespread scope of construction is providing much-needed jobs, allowing the New Orleans region to withstand recession pressures while serving as a lure for new business.

This year's recording setting total is just another sign New Orleans is moving forward and that developers still believe and are willing to invest in the region and its future

Those who haven't should take note of our progress.•

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Work continues on a two-mile-long, 26-foot-high storm surge barrier near the point where the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway meets the closed Mississippi River Gulf Outlet.

Task Force Hope

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\$15 billion

Project description: hurricane and storm-damage risk reduction

Start date: 2005

Expected completion date: bulk of work to be done by mid-2011

Peak construction employment: 2,500 Owner: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Project manager: Task Force Hope director Karen Durham-Aguilera **General contractors:** Shaw Environmental and Infrastructure Inc.,

Boh Brothers Construction Co., Kiewit Louisiana Co.

Top 3 subcontractors: INCA/Gerwick, Linfield Hunter and Junius,

Eustis Engineering

onstruction cranes loom over New Orleans waterways as the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and contractors try to provide the city with 100-year-storm protection by mid-2011 under the agency's \$15 billion Task Force Hope project.

Baton Rouge-based Shaw Environmental and Infrastructure Inc. and other contractors are hurrying to build a storm-surge barrier that's two miles long and 26 feet high near the point where the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway meets the closed Mississippi River Gulf Outlet. That new

structure is the centerpiece of the corps' \$1.3 billion Inner Harbor Navigation Canal Surge Barrier Project.

Mike Park, deputy director of Task Force Hope, said the IHNC project is now 50 percent complete and most definitely on schedule for a mid-2011 deadline.

Navigation gates will be erected where the barrier crosses the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway and Bayou Bienvenue to prevent storm surge into the Inner Harbor Navigation Canal. Another gate will be built where the Inner Harbor Navigation Canal meets Lake Pontchartrain.

In July, the corps closed the MRGO corridor by installing a 350,000-ton rock blockade.

"We've already built enough protection in the last year so that you probably won't see the topping images from Gustav any time soon," Park said.

During Hurricane Gustav in August 2008, water splashed over the Industrial Canal floodwall.

"Every day, we're reducing the risk of storm surge in the five-parish area," he said.

Meanwhile, on the West Bank of the Mississippi River, the corps in August began work on a \$1 billion Gulf Intracoastal Waterway West Closure Complex to form a storm-surge barrier for Plaquemines, Jefferson and Orleans parishes. Negotiations over West Bank real estate acquisitions caused early delays, but Park said the western project should meet a mid-2011 deadline.

"The main thing is we want to get it done right," Park said. The corps last year started building one of the world's largest drainage-pump stations near the confluence of the Harvey and Algiers canals to remove rainwater from those channels before a storm. Park predicted that West Bank floodgates will be operational in June 2011 and the pump station will be fully functioning by 2013.

"In the Task Force Hope project schedule, we're tracking 20,000 milestones," covering all design and construction phases, Park said. Under an umbrella name — Hurricane and Storm Damage Risk Reduction System — 76 corps projects are under way and more than a third of the work is complete.

More than 230 contracts have been awarded out of a planned 353 contracts, and more than \$6.6 billion has been committed under the \$15 billion program.

Park pointed to the challenges of addressing environmental, navigation and cost concerns with "buildability" or construction needs, and of coordinating with local and state agencies.

He said 80 percent of Task Force Hope subcontractors are Louisiana-based companies and more than \$1.6 billion in spending has been committed to small and disadvantaged businesses.•



Construction continues at L.B. Landry High School, one of five Quick Start schools in a \$1.8 billion rebuild and renovation of public schools in Orleans Parish.

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Orleans Parish Public School rebuild \$1.8 billion

Pour new schools are operating and a fifth is slated to open in August in an unprecedented \$1.8 billion School Facilities Master Plan for Orleans Parish initiated after Hurricane Katrina's devastation.

Design plans are under way on 10 additional schools in the project's \$716 million first phase, with groundbreakings anticipated this spring, according to Recovery School District Communications Director Siona LaFrance.

The first phase includes the construction of 17 new campuses and the renovation of 13 existing schools funded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and community development block grants, with work extending through 2013.

Phase one is projected to provide space for more than 18,000 students, including 7,000 who were attending school in modular classrooms when construction began.

"These projects are proof that this city is coming back better than before, and so are its schools," said RSD Superintendent Paul Vallas. "Our capital plan will transform the city's school land-scape, eliminating past inequities and finally creating a system in which every child is educated in a superior environment."

New schools already open in the five-facility Quick Start phase of the project are Langston Hughes Elementary, which opened last year, Andrew Wilson Elementary and L.B. Landry and Lake Area high schools, which will open this year. Fannie

C. Williams Elementary, currently being designed, will complete the Quick Start initiative when it opens in the fall of 2011.

Other schools now being designed include Crocker, Osborne, Woodson, Hynes, Bienville and Parkview, and renovation projects at

Colton, Frantz and Washington elementary schools, according to school district reports.

LaFrance said all projects are on schedule as projected. This summer, 23 percent of the projects included in phase one should be completed, with another 33 percent in construction, 23 percent in design and 21 percent in planning, according to projections.

The RSD projects phase one will include the construction of seven additional schools, which architects are expected to begin designing within the next six months. Included are Wheatley, Little Woods, Edwards-Moton, Carver, Livingston, International **Project description:** To reduce the number of the school system facilities to a number more appropriate for enrollment projections

Developer: Louisiana Department of Education **Project manager:** Recovery School District

General contractors: Ryan Gootee LLC, Roy Anderson Construction, Satterfield & Pontikes Construction Inc., Walton Construction Co.

Subcontractors: Advanced Environmental Consulting LLC, ARC Mechanical Construction Inc., Augustino Brothers Inc., CMR Construction and Roofing, Direct Contractors LLC, Durr Heavy Construction, Farnsworth Group, Gottfried Contracting LLC, Hamp's Enterprises, Hoffman ES Demo, Jacobs CSS Consortium, Linfield Hunter Junius, Morphy-Makofsky, P&J Contracting of La. LLC, Young's General Contracting, Zimmer-Eschette Services II LLC

Baccalaureate and the Maritime Military Academy at Federal City.
Remaining projects in the first phase are Audubon, Lake Forest, Harte, McMain, Phillips-Waters and a new elementary school in Algiers. Plans are not finalized for those projects, according to RSD project updates.

The total project is scheduled in six phases through 2016 and is the first major facilities plan for New Orleans Public Schools since 1952. When completed, the school system will have been reduced in size from 128 buildings to 87 permanent schools.

The second through sixth phases, including some 57 elementary and high schools, are expected to cost nearly \$1 billion, for which full funding has not been secured.

The Orleans Parish School Board and the state Board of Elementary and Secondary Education approved the plan in November 2008 after more than a year of meetings and planning sessions involving public input.•



Work on a \$150 million project to build a two-lane elevated highway south of the Leeville Bridge to Louisiana Highway 3090 is about 40 percent complete.

Phase by phase

Phase 1A: A \$150 million contract expected to be completed in September 2011 to build a twolane elevated highway south of the Leeville Bridge to Louisiana Highway 3090 that will be about 7 miles and 40-feet wide.

Phase 1B and 1C: A \$170 million combined project was completed in July 2009 to replace the Leeville Bridge with a two-lane, fixed-span bridge and build two-lane interchanges and connector roads north and south of the bridge.

Phase 1D: An \$8 million project was completed in July that includes a customer service center in Golden Meadow, kiosk network, open-road tolling equipment and intelligent transportation systems.

Phase 2: With no secured funding, this \$360 million project to elevate about 9 miles of highway from Leeville to Golden Meadow has not been let

Phase 3: With no secured funding, this \$380 million project to continue Louisiana Highway 3235 from Larose northward to U.S. Highway 90 for about 19 miles has not been let.

Phase 4: With no secured funding, this \$580 million project to add an elevated two-lane highway between Golden Meadow and Port Fourchon has not been let

Source: CityBusiness staff research

TOP 10 CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

La. Highway 1 upgrades \$1.4 billion

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ith the first major phase of Louisiana Highway 1 upgrades finished and the second section about 40 percent complete, the focus now turns to funding the third major component.

La. 1 is the sole means of land access to Port Fourchon,

which services up to 18 percent of U.S. domestic and imported oil and gas. It provides access to the Louisiana Offshore Oil Port by way of a twisting, two-lane road that cuts through the marsh at ground level.

Phase 1A is a \$150 million project to build a two-lane elevated highway south of the Leeville Bridge to Louisiana Highway 3090. About 7 miles and 40-feet wide, it is fully funded and expected to be completed in September 2011.

Funding the next major section, a 9-mile elevated highway from Leeville to Golden Meadow, is now the main focus.

Henri Boulet, executive director of the nonprofit La. 1 coalition, which is working for the improvements, said officials were expecting to hear whether they have received a \$300 million stimulus grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation to fund Phase 2 Feb. 17, three days after this issue went to press.

The grant would come from the 2009 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act aimed at job creation and improving the nation's transportation infrastructure.

Boulet, however, has concerns about getting that money.

"The stimulus grant comes from a \$1.5 billion pot, under which they can fund projects nationwide," Boulet said. "But 1,400 major highway, airport and port projects have applied

for a piece, totaling \$56 billion in requests."

That means they could only fund 3 percent of the requests, he said.

"You're only looking at \$30 million per state, if they were to divide it evenly among all 50 states, and that won't do us any good.

That would maybe do an intersection on I-49. Politically, this is very challenging ... to give one state 20 percent of the pot, even if the project is of national interest."

Boulet is quick to point out that 18 percent of the nation's energy relies on La. 1 but concedes it will still be difficult to award a \$300 million project.

"They're probably going to give us the majority of the \$300 or none at all," he said, adding that the remaining \$60 million will hopefully come from the governor. "We have to amass \$300 million or we cannot put the project out to bid."

And if the project isn't award the grant?

Boulet said the coalition is already working to ask Congress for more funding when the five-year transportation bill, which was set to be reviewed in 2009, is reauthorized. **Project description:** elevating and upgrading Louisiana Highway 1 between U.S. Highway 90 and Port Fourchon

Start date: 2007

Expected completion date: unknown **Peak construction employment:** 500

Owner: Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development

Project manager: Gary Gisclair (for Phase 1A)

General contractors: James Construction Group (for Phase 1A) **Top 3 subcontractors:** QPL Inc., PAC Unlimited Inc., Transport

Services (for Phase 1A)

The project received \$60 million from that bill when it was last reviewed in 2004.

Work was completed on a \$170 million combined project in July to replace the Leeville Bridge with a two-lane fixed-span bridge, in addition to an \$8 million project that includes a customer service center in Golden Meadow, kiosk network, open-road tolling equipment and intelligent transportation systems.

What remains are Phase 3, an estimated \$380 million project to continue Louisiana Highway 3235 from Larose northward to U.S. Highway 90 for about 19 miles, and Phase 4, an estimated \$580 million project to add an elevated two-lane highway between Golden Meadow and Port Fourchon.

"We're taking one phase at a time," Boulet said. "We are gong to be moving full speed ahead on Phase 3 as soon as we secure the Phase 2 money."

Since Phase 3 will be built on flat ground, Boulet said funding should be easier to come by, because building the elevated highways costs about \$40 million per mile.

Phase 4 is basically a replica of the Phase 1A bridge.

"With 1,200 18-wheelers a day traveling the stretch, we really need four lanes, but beggars can't be choosey, so we're building two lanes first and land has been acquired to build the other two lanes next to it. The bridge in Phase 1A won't be enough," Boulet said. •



In June, workers will lift two steel trusses as part of the main span support for the Huey P. Long Bridge expansion project.

Huey P. Long widening \$1.2 billion

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In June, Huey P. Long Bridge commuters will witness two steel trusses being lifted into place as the bridge's expansion project takes the next steps toward becoming a more visibly modified structure.

The lifts will take place simultaneously on both the east-

bound and westbound spans of the bridge, making this perhaps one of the most attention grabbing phases of the seven-year project, said Tim Todd, project engineer for Louisiana's Transportation Infrastructure Model for Economic Development, which manages the

project on behalf of the bridge's two stakeholders: the New Orleans Public Belt Railroad and the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development.

In addition to the truss lifting, contractors will begin removing the Jefferson Highway overpass this spring. That structure will be replaced with new roadway systems.

Previously completed, the first and second phases of the \$1.2 billion project included widening the main structure's piers as well as railroad modifications. Both phases concluded in 2008, making way for the current and final two phases, which concentrate on the bridge's widening — the third phase — and the development of new roadways and

approaches $\,-\,$ the fourth phase.

Completed aspects of the current phases include new sewerage systems on the east and west banks, a newly built lift station and the construction of a new roadway between Louisiana

Highway 18 and the bridge.

With nearly 50 percent of overall construction complete, stake-

holders say the project is progressing within schedule and budget.

"I think it's one of the finest large projects that I've ever been involved with," said Bob Kollmar, chief engineering officer for Public Belt, which owns the bridge and maintains the grounds beneath it.

Kollmar said the project is operating within scope and budget, with most projects being completed on time or ahead of schedule. The final project will be an "economic stimulator to the West Bank" of Jefferson Parish with business and housing developments locating to the region, he said.

Steve Underwood, project manager for UTI, which is installing the structural steel for the main span in the current phase, said UTI's main challenge has been working around three types of traffic: marine, rail and vehicular.

Project description: widening the Huey P. Long bridge from two to three travel lanes in each direction with a shoulder, resulting in improved safety and ease of congestion

Start date: 2006

Expected completion date: 2013
Peak construction employment: 299

Owner/developer: New Orleans Public Belt Railroad; Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development

Project manager: Phase I, Paul Scharmer; Phase II, Ricky Hogan; Phase III, Steve Underwood; Phase IV, Tom Thorn; overall project, Tim Todd, Louisiana TIMED Managers

General contractors: Phase I, Massman Construction Co.; Phase II, Boh Brothers Construction; Phase III, MTI, a joint venture between Massman, Traylor Brothers Inc., and IHI Inc.; Phase IV, KMTC, a joint venture between Peter Kiewit Sons Inc., Massman and Traylor Brothers

Subcontractors: Phase III: Thomas Industrial Coating, CTL Group and Active Solutions; Phase IV, Barriere Construction, Walter Barnes Electric, Traffic Solutions, Jack B. Harper, Global Erosion Control, Scott Derr Painting, M.R. Pittman and J.L. Steel

Logistically, coordinating traffic and ensuring the safety of travelers, construction workers and Public Belt employees has been a priority for Louisiana TIMED officials, Todd said.

"This combination of construction conditions causes unique safety considerations in the contractors' construction and erection plan," Todd said. "The contractors have thus far met the challenge and continue to adjust their work to the changing road, rail and river conditions."

Ultimately, a fully broadened Huey P. Long Bridge will be complete in 2013 with three 11-foot-wide travel lanes in each direction. The plan also includes signalized intersections at the traffic circles presently located at Jefferson Highway and Bridge City Avenue, as well as elevated structures for U.S. Highway 90 through traffic at those intersections.



A 411,000-square-foot facility under construction at Federal City will serve as the national command center for the Marine Forces Reserve.

Federal City

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\$1 billion

Pederal City continues to progress ahead of schedule, two months after construction workers erected the outer shell of the \$1 billion project's cornerstone build-

ing. That's the 411,000-square-foot Marine Forces Reserve building, or MarForRes, which eventually will house the command center for the service's continental corps.

The four-story compound's top floor is installed, as well as metal decking for the roof, said David Mize, CEO of the New Orleans Federal Alliance. Stairways to the fourth floor are already in place.

The roof should be finished within six weeks, Mize said, and cement will soon be poured for the second and third floors. Completion of the roof, in addition to installation of windows, further ensures that Federal City will beat its Sept. 15, 2011, deadline.

"The building will be basically secure so that weather won't have any impact on our construction," Mize said. "It doesn't make a difference if it's windy or not."

Adhering to timelines is critical because the Base Realignment and Closure process that allowed New Orleans to keep a military presence in the city calls for the Marines to occupy the compound by mid-September 2011. Woodward Design+Build saved about three months by using "tilt-up" to erect the outer walls.

Tilt-up, a century-old technique, involves casting concrete walls and "tilting" them up on site, as opposed to shipping them in from an outside factory.

There is about 700 million square feet of tiltup wall in the United States today, roughly dou-

ble the amount that existed in 1997, according of the Iowabased Tilt-Up Concrete Association. The method has given rise to a new supporting industry, with dozens of firms that specialize in lifting, bracing and chemical treatment.

The MarForRes walls, after being tilted up, were held in place by bars, which are now almost all gone because a steel superstructure is firmly in place, Mize said.

The outer walls of MarForRes consist of 196 panels that weigh more than 130,000 pounds each and are as tall as 72 feet. Half-inch-thick bricks will be embedded within the walls, an aesthetic detail that will give the appearance of exposed brick.

Woodward designed the inside of MarForRes as it constructed the outer walls, another time-saving technique.

Project description: a redevelopment of the Naval Support Activity campus in Algiers into residential and commercial space, as well as thousands of offices for the military, the Department of Defense, the Department of Homeland Security and other federal agencies **Start date:** Sept. 30, 2008

Expected completion date: Sept. 15, 2011 Peak construction employment: 250

Owner/developer: public-private partnership among the state of Louisiana, the New Orleans Federal Alliance and Algiers

Development District

Project manager: Historic Properties Inc. and Environmental

Chemical Corp.

General contractors: Woodward Design+Build

"You've got to figure out how to mesh it all together. It's a little bit of a challenge, and it's a little bit of a risk," Mize said in December, just before Woodward erected the outer walls. "But it saves you all kinds of time if you can do it."

Two months later, the risk appears to be paying off.

Federal City was conceived from the Department of Defense's 2005 BRAC process when the state and city proposed preserving the 200-acre Naval Support Activity base in Algiers. It will consist of a redevelopment of the Naval Support Activity campus in Algiers into residential and commercial space, as well as thousands of offices for the Department of Defense, the Department of Homeland Security and other federal agencies.

HRI/ECC, a New Orleans-based development company, will work with Duany Plater-Zyberk & Co., a design and development firm known for creating village-like, pedestrian-friendly residential communities, on project management.

Buildings could be move-in ready by June or July 2011, Mize said.•



Nearly half of the planned 460 mixed-income rental units are finished at the former C.J. Peete housing development, now called Harmony Oaks, and the rest should be complete by the first quarter of 2011.

Public housing rebuild \$1 billion

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At the city's four largest public housing sites, workers are building 4,000 mixed-income units after 4,500 residences in mostly low-rise, brick structures were demolished during the past two years.

Former residents who plan to live in the new developments

won't be warehoused in the kind of high-density structures that isolated them before, said Housing and Urban Development spokeswoman Donna White. Developers, working with the Housing Authority of New Orleans, residents and community leaders, are creating neighborhoods that will mesh economically with surrounding areas, she said.

At the Lafitte development's \$400 million rebuild in Treme, 900 demolished public-housing units will be replaced with 1,500 public-housing and market-rate residences that extend beyond the old site, said Andreanecia Morris, public affairs director at nonprofit Providence Community Housing.

The 865 families who lived at Lafitte before Katrina will have a chance to return, while inside Lafitte's old borders, some of the planned 134 rental and 47 homeowner units included in the project's first phase should be finished by December, if construction begins soon, Morris said.

Plans call for the Lafitte site to have 517 units, including 141 owned homes. Another 983 "scattered-site" subsidized rentals

and owned homes will be built throughout Treme and the Tulane-Gravier area. Ten scattered homes are already finished, and several of them have been sold, Morris said.

Lafitte's original site is the smallest of the "big four" projects but will be packed with services: an ele-

mentary school; community, senior and health centers; playgrounds; and a swimming pool.

At the former C.J. Peete development in Central City, now called Harmony Oaks, 48 percent of the planned 460 mixed-income rental

units are finished, and the rest should be complete by the first quarter of 2011, said Yusef Freeman, project manager at McCormack Baron Salazar, the St. Louis firm developing the site. Bounded by Louisiana and Washington avenues, the \$172 million community will include garden and townhouse units and a new apartment building. Several old structures there are being renovated.

When Katrina struck, 146 families lived at C.J. Peete, which once housed 10 times that many people. St. Louis non-profit Urban Strategies is coordinating childcare, schooling, health care, senior programs and job training.

After 1,200 units were demolished at B.W. Cooper off Earhart Boulevard, a \$142 million first phase of construction

Project description: rebuild four public housing projects to create mixed-income communities

Start date: January 2008 Expected completion date: 2012 Peak construction employment: 400

Owner/developer: Department of Housing and Urban Development, Housing

Authority of New Orleans

Project manager: Department of Housing and Urban Development
General contractors: Central City Partners (made up of McCormack Baron
Salazar, New Orleans Neighborhood Development Collaborative, KAI Design and
Build), Woodward Design+Build, Providence Community Housing, Enterprise,
L&M, Bayou District Foundation, Columbia Residential, KBK Enterprises
Subcontractors: Julien Engineering, Louisiana Demolition, Integrated Pro

Services

is 10 percent complete, said Darrell Williams, executive director of B.W. Cooper Resident Management Corp. Under Phase 1, to be finished in late 2011, 410 mixed-income rental units, a management office and a day care facility are being built. The full 740-unit site, developed by KBK Enterprises, should be finished by late 2012.

Near City Park, the \$120 million first phase of Bayou District, which includes 466 mixed-income units at the former St. Bernard public housing complex, is 70 percent complete, said Bayou District Foundation Chairman Gerry Barousse Jr. Residents started moving into the community, called Columbia Parc, in February. By late September, the first construction phase, consisting of townhouses and apartments, should be finished. The Bayou District's overall \$435 million plan includes 1,326 housing units, new schools, community and retail centers, and recreation areas.

One snag for developers is that Gulf Opportunity Zone bonds and low-income-housing tax credits expire late this year. State representatives want to see the credits continue, however, and last fall Sen. Mary Landrieu, D-New Orleans, introduced a bipartisan bill to extend them two years.•



The eastbound span of the Interstate 10 Twin Span is scheduled for completion in mid-2011.

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Twin Span

\$803 million

early two years after the opening of the eastbound span of the Interstate 10 Twin Span across Lake Pontchartrain, work continues on the companion span running in the opposite direction.

"The project is still on time for completion for mid-2011," project spokesman Mike Sasser said, "which means about 18 months more of anticipated construction activity before the second span is done and traffic is put into its final alignment."

Sasser is also a consultant to Volkert Construction Services, which is providing construction engineering and inspection services in support of the building of the new Twin Span. The \$803 million project is the largest of its kind in state history, he said.

Originally constructed in 1965 and consisting of more than 430 65-foot concrete segments, the I-10 Twin Span Bridge suffered significant damage from Hurricane Katrina, which destroyed more than 60 segments and misaligned more than 350 other segments of the bridge in both directions.

Although extensive repairs were made to both spans of the

bridge in late 2005 and 2006, the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development determined that to withstand future surges of Katrina-like proportions, a new Twin Span needed to be built.

"It was obviously a strong structure that held up well for four decades," Sasser said of the original Contributing Writer Twin Span. "But what is being built today will be significantly stronger."

> At a height of 30 feet, some 21 feet higher than the original Twin Span, the new bridge upon completion will also feature three 12-foot lanes and two 12-foot shoulders on both spans. A high-rise section 80 feet high is designed to accommodate marine traffic on Lake Pontchartrain.

> The additional lanes are expected to eliminate the bottlenecking that has long plagued drivers at both ends of the old

> "The biggest portion of the project has been the building of the approaches and level portion of the bridge," Sasser said of the work that is being done by Boh Brothers Construction Co. The

Project description: more hurricane-resilient Interstate 10 bridges to replace those damaged during Hurricane Katrina

Start date: summer of 2006

Expected completion date: mid-2011 Peak construction employment: 300

Developer: Louisiana Department of Transportation and

Project manager: John Horn, Volkert Construction Services; G.P. Schexnayder, Boh Brothers Construction; Scott Armstrong, joint venture of Traylor Brothers Inc., Kiewett Southern Co. and Massman

General contractors: Boh Brothers, Taylor/Kiewett, Massman Subcontractors: Jack B. Harper Contractor Inc., Lafarge North American, DeBar Reinforcing Inc., Arcadia Rebar Inc.

high-rise section of the bridge is a Traylor/Kieweit/Massman ioint venture project.

Still to be decided is the fate of a section of the older eastern span, which may end up being used as a fishing pier in St. Tammany Parish.

"That is something we are looking into and working with St. Tammany Parish on," said Amber Hebert, DOTD public information officer.

The state has approved the idea, said Tom Beale, a spokesman for St. Tammany Parish, but there are still a lot of details to work out, including the actual transfer of ownership of the old bridge from the interstate system to the parish.

"If everything falls into place," Beale said, "we'll end up with a great pier for recreational purposes, even if it takes several years to actually happen."•



The next phase of the Napoleon Avenue container terminal includes three new gantry cranes, two of which are expected in July, additional container handling facilities and an intermodal rail yard.

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Napoleon Avenue container terminal expansion

\$582 million

Project description: a three-phase expansion of the Napoleon Avenue container terminal to handle larger vessels, more containers and improve overall efficiency

Start date: Jan. 26, 2009 (Phase 1)
Expected completion date: Sept. 15 (Phase 1)
Owner/developer: Port of New Orleans
Project manager: Shaw/GBB

General contractors: Seoul, South Korea-based Doosan Heavy

Industries and Construction Co. Ltd. (Phase 1)

he Port of New Orleans hopes to dedicate a portion of a \$64.7 million federal stimulus grant to the Napoleon Avenue container terminal, which is undergoing a three-phase expansion.

Port officials expected to learn the fate of their grant application after this issue went to press.

Specifically, \$14.3 million would pay for an additional 4.3 acres of handling and storage space, as well as improved paving. The grant

would come from a \$1.5 billion program funded by the 2009 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act aimed a job creation and improving the nation's transportation infrastructure.

A major addition to the Napoleon Avenue terminal is expected in July when two \$13 million gantry cranes are expected to arrive from South Korea. Additional dockside gantry cranes, which are used to offload container cargo, are needed to accommodate expected increases in volume and the size of container vessels following the 2014 Panama Canal expansion.

The new cranes will outsize the four currently at the Napoleon terminal, which were installed in the first of a threephase terminal expansion project, said port spokesman Matt Gresham. The first phase was completed in 2003, and the second and third phases are being completed incrementally.

"These cranes will have significant more outreach," Gresham said. "They will be able to handle larger vessels and greatly improve efficiencies at the terminal."

Container vessels typically dock for no more than a day, Gresham said, and it's critical for the port to keep pace with time demands.

"Time is money in the shipping business, of course," Gresham said. "The quicker they can get here and drop off boxes, the better it is for the customer and the shipper."

The port's 2020 master plan calls for a third additional crane as part of the second phase of the Napoleon terminal expansion, which is expected to cost more than \$237 million.

Napoleon Avenue upgrades

Phase One Cost: \$102 million

What it includes: four dockside gantry cranes; two 1,000-foot berths with a draft of 45 feet; six rubber-tire gantry cranes; 48 acres of marshalling yard; connections for 200 refrigerated containers Completed: June 2003

Phase Two (near-term) Cost: \$237 million

What it includes: three new gantry cranes, two of which are expected in July; additional container handling facilities; intermodal rail yard
Status: to be determined

Phase Three (long-term)

Cost: \$240 million
What it includes: new wharf downriver of
Milan Street; terminal gatehouse
Status: to be determined

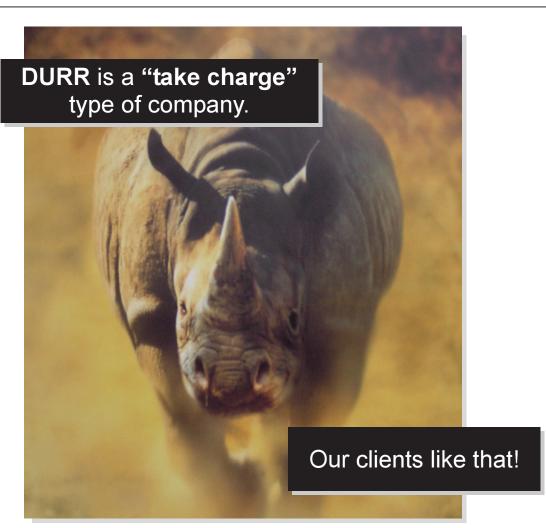
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About \$32.5 million from the stimulus grant, assuming the port receives the money, would go toward another Phase Two project: developing a new intermodal rail yard next to the Clarence Henry Truckway. The current intermodal rail yard at the Napoleon Avenue terminal is a "physical barrier to container operations," according to the port's grant application.

Additional container handling facilities are also planned for Phase Two, according to the master plan.

The third and final phase, a \$240 million long-term project, will consist of a new wharf, downriver of Milan Street, and a terminal gatehouse, according to the master plan.

A \$17.9 million portion of the grant would go toward paving improvements at the Louisiana Avenue terminal, which is in "dire need" of better surface conditions, according to the application.•



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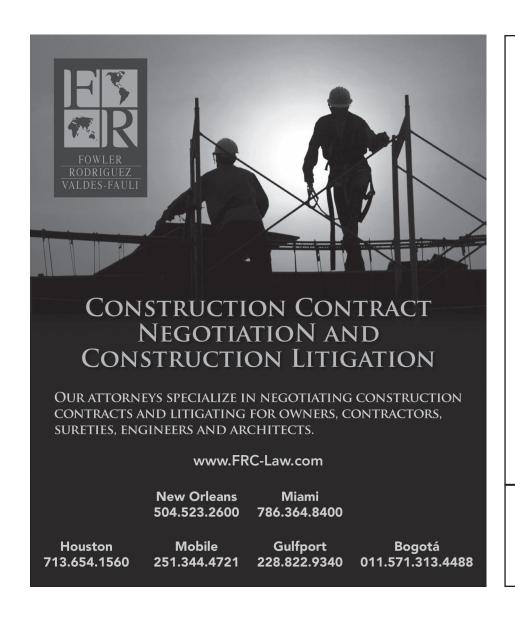
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Workers pour concrete for an upgraded air carrier apron surrounding the terminal and concourses at Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport.

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TOP 10 CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport upgrades

\$350 million

ouis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport could receive as much as \$350 million in capital improvements and maintenance that will modernize the facility and bring the airport closer to pre-Hurricane

Katrina passenger numbers. In 2004, the airport had 9.7 million total passengers compared with 7.8 million in 2009, a 19 percent drop from pre-Katrina levels.

spokeswoman Michelle Wilcut.

"Airports across the country are always doing capital improvements and investing to rebuild their facilities, and it's our time to make improvements and catch up to modern design and standards," said airport

"The biggest challenges we will have are moving airlines and gates around as we do some of the interior construction, but for the most part airlines have been very helpful and responsive and understand that long-term improvement will make up for short-term construction obstacles," Wilcut said.

The most expensive project is the consolidated rental car facility with a three-level garage offering 1,800 rental car parking spaces and a customer service building. The project will provide five rental car companies space for fueling, cleaning and maintenance, which is designed to eliminate busing of

rental car patrons from the terminal to rental car spaces. In January, Kenner-based Satterfield & Pontikes Construction Group was the lowest bidder on the project at \$58.5 million.

The Kenner firm bid on the project two months after the

airport's Aviation Board turned down nine bids in the first round of bidding because of errors on bid forms.

"We're a city agency, so each bid on each project goes through the city of New Orleans and is awarded individually," Wilcut said.

The board is using tax-exempt Gulf Opportunity Zone bonds for the garage, and completion is expected by 2012.

Work on Concourse D will begin in March and be completed by late 2011, with the Metairie-based McDonnel Group responsible for the \$16.8 million in expansion improvements, adding six airline gates to the current seven in an open rotunda-style format. The project will include new food and beverage outlets and retailers. Wilcut said the new gates will allow the airport to begin transitioning the terminal to the west. A west terminal expansion is also planned with five gates, ticket counters, security screening and baggage facilities that will cost \$34 million.

Gibbs Construction will also soon start \$4.4 million in

Project description: capital improvements to modernize the airport, including a new rental car facility, widening and expanding Concourse D and exterior renovations that add more glass to the facade **Start date:** January 2009

Expected completion date: 2013
Peak construction employment: 2,600

Owner: Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport
Project manager: Aviation Resources Team, a joint venture of
Airware, Heery International Inc., IMDC Inc. and Kutchins & Groh LLC
General contractor: each project is bid individually; the largest contract for the improvements — the consolidated rental car facility —
went to Kenner-based Satterfield & Pontikes Construction Group

work to rehabilitate and upgrade 21 restrooms throughout the airport. Flight information display systems will also be upgraded by late 2010 to the tune of \$2.1 million. Exterior improvements have been completed on the Loop Road with signage and lighting upgrades.

Wilcut said interior and exterior renovations will be financed by a \$4.50-passenger facility charge, levied on each person who boards a plane.

Work also is under way to rehabilitate the air carrier apron surrounding the terminal and concourses, while progress continues on a new aircraft rescue and firefighting station that will increase passenger safety and meet Federal Aviation Administration requirements.

Other projects in the planning stages include a parking garage expansion of 1,000 spaces, taxiway and road improvements around the airport, a \$45 million in-line baggage system and a \$50 million, 250-room hotel on Airline Highway.

"We have some gates that were built for 727s and now we need them to accommodate the 737s with more wing-span. It's just as time moves forward, design standards change and we have to keep up," Wilcut said.•



Work is expected to start this month on a \$76 million, 165,000-square-foot kitchen and warehouse facility at the Orleans Parish Prison.

Orleans Parish Prison complex

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\$270 million

onstruction is finally starting to replace Hurricane Katrina-damaged facilities at the Orleans Parish Prison complex and bring the facility into the 21st century.

The first major component will be a building to house its kitchen, warehouse and central power plant. Lee Currault, project manager with Woodward Design+Build, expected ground to be broken on the 165,000-square-foot structure

by this week. Architects on the project are Sizeler Thompson Brown, Grace and Hebert Architects Billes Architecture.

The \$76 million first phase of redevelopment at the complex is slated for completion by October 2012, said Sheriff Marlin Gusman.

"We're dealing with facilities that were built in the 1920s and 1930s, and a lot has changed since then," Gusman said. "We are building all of our facilities to meet the current codes and standards of the American Correctional Association. There's going to be some very good facilities. And we're going to be consolidated, not spread all around like we were before."

Gusman said the next phase — a new 1,438-bed facility and a new intake and processing center, as well as an administration wing — will cost about \$130 million and will go out

for bid in June or July. Plans call for work to begin in September, with completion anticipated before the end of the year.

The prison's current capacity is 3,500 inmates, but officials aren't looking to expand beyond another 800 to 900 beds.

"That's a hot button item," Gusman said. "Some people believe we need a much smaller jail. We're only doing what we need to do. When you talk in terms of number of beds, that doesn't mean every bed is filled. You can't fill every bed because you have different issues to deal with, protective custody and things like that."

Another phase involves the Templeman 1 and 2 buildings, the green-roofed structures visible from Interstate 10, which are owned by the city. Those structures are being demolished and haven't been occupied since Katrina. Gusman said officials are considering whether to repair or replace Templeman 5.

Project description: rebuilding of the Orleans Parish Prison complex including a 1,438-bed jail facility, new intake and processing center, administrative office, visitor center, kitchen and warehouse **Developer:** city of New Orleans

Peak construction employment: 150

Project manager: OMK, a joint venture of Ozanne Construction Co.,

Montgomery Watson Harza, Kwame Building Group **General contractors:** Woodward Design+Build

"It's really up in the air right now," Gusman said. "And it's difficult to say when construction would start, but we want it to happen expeditiously. It's between the site of our kitchen warehouse and central power plant and the new intake and housing unit, so it's a critical site and we're really hoping we can get some movement on it."

Gusman is optimistic all work will be completed by 2013. The Federal Emergency Management Agency is funding 85 percent to 90 percent of the renovations and rebuilding, which is helpful, Gusman said, because the FEMA money provides for upgrades to meet current codes and standards, not the condition the complex was at the time of Katrina.

The rest of the money will come from \$63.2 million in bonds issued by the Orleans Parish Criminal Sheriff that voters approved in October 2008.

While only \$40 million of that was allocated to the sheriff's office, Gusman said the bond money is a big factor and will allow for more efficiencies than what were present before, such as reducing energy costs.•

Progress Report

CityBusiness revisits eight construction projects from the top jobs in 2009

— Compiled by Christian Moises and Autumn C. Giusti

LITTLE GYPSY

2009 — \$1.76 billion

With natural gas prices on the rise, Entergy Louisiana planned to spend \$1.76 billion to convert its Little Gypsy power plant to burn coal instead of natural gas. A study by economist Loren Scott estimated the project would pump more than \$500 million in new business into the region. Entergy said about 1,500 jobs would be created during construction and 25 to 35 permanent positions at the plant after completion. Entergy had selected Baton Rouge-based Shaw Group for engineering, procurement and construction services. The project, which was scheduled for complete by the spring of 2013, was still waiting for final approval from the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality.

2010 — Canceled

Entergy Louisiana in October asked the Louisiana Public Service Commission for permission to cancel the project after asking the panel in April to put the project on a long-term hold, citing falling natural gas prices, the credit crisis and uncertain environmental rules. Before that, there was a March directive from the PSC that Entergy temporarily suspend work on the \$1.76 billion project while the economics were reviewed. Entergy Louisiana's latest request to cancel the process is still pending before the PSC.

JACKSON BARRACKS

2009 — \$183 million

The state announced a nearly \$200 million master plan in July 2006 to rebuild Jackson Barracks, the headquarters for the Louisiana National Guard and the Louisiana Military Department. The complex had 219 structures before Hurricane Katrina floodwaters floated away about 30 buildings and the Guard razed another 100 heavily damaged structures. Officials hoped to have about 65 structures and 94 homes on the campus by 2010. The 61st Troop Command Center, gatehouses, fencing and infrastructure were to be completed by February, while the billeting quarters was scheduled for completion in June, followed by the 141st Readiness Center in August and the Joint Force Headquarters by January. The Jackson Military Barracks Military Museum was also scheduled to reopen by May 2010.

2010 — \$183 million

As of early January, all federally funded work to restore Jackson Barracks was complete, almost four months earlier than the original deadline of April, said Lt. Col. Daniel Bordelon, deputy of the construction facility maintenance office. All work funded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, which is mostly housing facilities and restoring the antebellum homes on the grounds, is expected to be completed by January 2011. "While there's still no place for troops to sleep, all federal armories are up and running (as of Feb. 4), and all buildings are occupied and operational," Bordelon said.

SUMMIT FREMEAUX

2009 — \$900 million

Preliminary site clearing and infrastructure work had started in preparation for the first phase of the 400-acre Summit Fremaux development in Slidell, but developers said construction could be delayed because of the economy. The mixed-used development, led by Birmingham, Ala.-based developer Bayer Properties, was expected to be completed by March 2010. The city was expected to begin construction on a major boulevard that will run through the project site last February, and while some retailers, such as Barnes and Noble, Dillard's and Belk, already had committed to the site, further leases were required before the project could move forward.

2010 — \$900 million

The concrete work on the first phase of the main boulevard is expected to be completed this spring, with St. Tammany Parish funding construction of the boulevard and the city of Slidell funding infrastructure improvements along the new stretch of road. Bayer officials are now negotiating with mixed-used tenants, such as office, research and development, technology and medical park clients, which were originally slated to develop in a later phase as the economy continues to recover. Meanwhile, lead anchor tenants have expressed their continued commitment to the project, and the retail component is still in active lease negotiations.

NEW ORLEANS ROAD REPAIRS

2009 — \$546 million

The money available for city road repairs has almost doubled because of more grant funds coming in, including \$90 million from FEMA. "I wouldn't be surprised if by mid-year that number (\$546 million) was a little higher," said Robert Mendoza, director of the city's Office of Public Works. About 40 of the 52 projects scheduled for 2008 were completed, with 105 projects in the works for 2009, including the remaining 12 from the previous year. In 2008, the city completed Marconi, Crowder and Whitney for \$3.5 million and bid out Robert E. Lee. Press and Wisner for \$3.7 million.

2010 — \$737 million

Road repair projects received a \$191 million funding boost in the past year, allowing the city to add about 100 more projects to its to-do list. Some of the funding came from FEMA grants, while the city's efforts to improve its recordkeeping — turning numerous spreadsheets into a single, consolidated table of road projects — helped identify additional money, Mendoza said. The program is almost exactly at the midway point in terms of number of projects and funding, Mendoza said. About 270 projects are planned and 130 have been completed. Major projects under construction this year include Earhart Boulevard, Carrollton Avenue and Fleur de Lis Drive.



Traffic lanes are blocked during construction on Earhart Boulevard, a \$12 million project that is expected to take a vear to complete.



Work continues on improving the Causeway Boulevard-Interstate 10 interchange, which is expected to be completed by the end of the year.

NATIONAL WORLD WAR II MUSEUM

2009 — \$300 million

Construction on the first phase of the museum's \$300 million expansion, which includes the multisensory Victory Theater and the Stage Door Canteen, a 1940s-style entertainment venue and restaurant, was about two-thirds complete. Houston-based contractor Satterfield and Pontikes had a \$42 million contract for this phase, which started in April. Another component of the project was the beautification of three blocks of Magazine Street between St. Joseph and Calliope streets. Crews buried all overhead power lines and installed new brick sidewalks, granite curbs, trees and lighting. The entire expansion is slated for completion in 2015.

2010 — \$300 million

The 70,000-square-foot Solomon Victory Theater, Stage Door Canteen entertainment center and American Sector restaurant opened in November. Now, museum officials are planning for the next expansion, which will include the construction of the U.S. Freedom Pavilion, focusing on the activities of the home front, and the Campaign Pavilion, which will explore different aspects of the Allied land, air and water campaign in the war. There is no physical construction going on right now, but officials hope to announce plans soon for the next phase.

NORD DU LAC

2009 — \$220 million

North Shore shoppers were told they would have to wait one more year for Nord du Lac, a lifestyle retail development at Interstate 12 and Highway 21. "Right now we're just saying late 2010," said Jim Spahn, Colonial Properties Trust spokesman. About one-third of the project had been completed when the economic slowdown led developers to spread the project out over phases. Other than Circuit City, which filed for bankruptcy, the center's 18 tenants remained committed.

2010 — \$220 million

Nord du Lac developers continue to target a fall opening for phase one of the retail center, which will be 275,000 square feet, Spahn said. Infrastructure work is complete, and site work resumed in December. Customers should begin seeing structures go up in March, said Spahn, adding that there is no timeline for all three phases to be completed. "With the economics as they continue to be, we're taking one phase at a time," he said.

INTERSTATE 10 WORK

2009 — \$274 million (widening)

All lanes of Interstate 10 between the 17th Street Canal and Causeway Boulevard were expected to be open by mid-March after that portion of the overall widening project was delayed from its September 2008 completion date. The Bonnabel Boulevard and Causeway entrance and exit ramps in each direction were modified to make room for a ramp from Bonnabel onto I-10 westbound. There are only two more sections that were part of the master plan, but with the economy, those phases — the second part of the Causeway interchange and widening the stretch from Clearview to the Veterans Boulevard exit — were delayed.

2010 — \$87 million (interchange work)

Work on the Causeway-Interstate 10 interchange to ease congestion entering and exiting the corridors is on schedule. Phase 1 construction began April 6 and will be complete by this winter, while work on Phase 2 began Nov. 11, with completion expected this summer. Both phases were awarded to James Construction Group of Baton Rouge for \$35.6 million and \$51 million, respectively. The work includes involves elevated and ground-level ramps connecting Causeway and I-10. The final stretch of I-10 widening, between Veterans Boulevard and Clearview Parkway, is still in the planning stages, but the DOTD doesn't have funding for the roughly \$50 million to \$70 million project.

NORTH OAKS HEALTH SYSTEM

2009 — \$200 million

North Oaks' expansion was put on hold because of unfavorable conditions in the bond market. The expansion had reached its third and final phase. Projects placed on hold included a \$90 million five-story hospital addition and a medical office plaza. The delay did not affect projects already under construction, including a \$6.5 million parking garage.

2010 — \$200 million

Following a slight delay in the bid process, the North Oaks expansion is on track to begin construction March 31, with completion expected in May 2012. The bid opening was pushed back from Nov. 18 to Feb. 1 after the North Oaks board of commissioners decided to supplement the plans for the medical center building expansion, said Melanie Zaffuto, North Oaks spokeswoman. Major components of the 200,000-square-foot, five-story hospital addition include 14 new operating room suites, an additional 12 outpatient same-day-surgery beds and 67 new private inpatient rooms. North Oaks is scheduled to award the construction contract March 1.

Bayou District

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The first leg of construction is nearing completion on a \$435 million public housing and golf course overhaul, and more units are on track to break

ground this summer.

The project, led by the Bayou District Foundation, aims to transform the former St. Bernard housing development

into mixed-income housing and a nearby City Park golf course into a championshiplevel layout.

About \$125 million of the project's \$300 million housing component has been funded, said Gerry Barousse Jr., Bayou District Foundation chairman.

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Housing Authority of New Orleans selected the Bayou District Foundation to overhaul the St. Bernard development in 2007 after the agencies demolished public housing throughout the city post-Katrina.

The first phase, which includes 466 of the 1,325 units in the mixed-income community, will be complete by this fall, with the first residents expected to move in soon afterward. Texas DBL of Houston is the general contractor on phase one.

Work on the first phase was initially scheduled to wrap up by the end of 2009, but December's heavy rains and freezing tempera-

tures delayed progress, Barousse said.

Tax credits have also been approved to fund the second phase of residences, about 100 more units that could go out to

bid and begin construction this summer.

Bayou District is working to secure funding for the third phase of the residences, which would include senior housing.

"At the same time, we're working to acquire properties in conjunction with NORA (the New Orleans Redevelopment Authority) for the neighborhood for blighted housing and will build back new, affordable housing," Barousse said.

Meanwhile, Bayou District is pursuing a partnership with City Park on the \$24 million first phase of its \$45 million golf course facility.

City Park has \$15 million to put toward that phase and issued a request for proposals seeking a partner to help pay for the development.

Barousse said Bayou District is responding to the RFP this month and plans to bring about \$8 million to the table.



The first phase of the Bayou District, a redevelopment of the former St. Bernard housing development and surrounding areas, includes 466 units in a mixed-income community.

"We hope to be the successful bidder,"

On the project's \$90 million education front, Bayou District plans to begin construction in late summer on its early learning facility for children ages 5 and younger. The project would go out to bid early in early summer.

"Quality early learning has not typically been available for low-income children," Barousse said. "It allows kids to arrive ready for kindergarten versus arriving 18 months or two years behind, which is what normally happens. And that's a learning gap that's difficult to bridge that early on."

Bayou District is working with the Buffett Early Childhood Fund's Educare program, run by Susie Buffet, daughter of billionaire Warren Buffet. New Orleans nonprofit Kingsley House will be the education provider.

If everything goes according to plan, the facility would open in August 2011.

Barousse said construction is scheduled to begin in late 2010 or early 2011 on a \$20 million elementary school for children in kindergarten through eighth grade.•

City Park redevelopment

More than four years after Hurricane Katrina, the high-profile swath of green

space that is City Park is in the midst of a historic redevelopment plan.

"It is a true revival of a park that has a history dating back to the late 19th century," said John Hopper, chief development officer for the park. "We're

not just repairing facilities; we are building a better park."

Hopper said the City Park Improvement Association's board of directors adopted the park's master plan for redevelopment March 29, 2005. While the plan provides a blueprint and timeline for a multitude of infrastructure and facility additions and improvements, most of the activity didn't get off the ground until well into 2007.

"Katrina obviously set us back, but many of the projects are under way or will get under way this year," Hopper said. "Our goal for completion still stands at 2018, which is the 300th anniversary of the city of New Orleans."

Plans for 2010 include a \$4.1 million tennis complex, as well as a \$3.2 million administration building. Hopper said administrators also hope to begin work on four new soccer fields, a reunion shelter and a new festival grounds area.

"If we turn ground on these, it won't be until the fourth quarter of 2010," he said.

In 2008, construction was completed on a remodeled concession stand inside the casino building and new bleachers were added at Pan American Stadium. Heavy construction vehicles also got rolling as crews worked to repair the park's north golf course.

Hopper said 2009 saw the completion of the \$2.5 million Big Lake project, which included a 1-mile pedestrian path around the manmade lagoon and a refurbished green space known as the Goldring/Woldenberg Great Lawn near the park's entrance. Crews also added new artificial turf to Tad Gormley Stadium and are about to finish work on a 4-acre dog park.

The most notable work involved in the master plan is improvements to the park's golf courses. The master plan initially called for a \$46 million multi-phase golf complex that included renovations to the east and west golf courses. The plan has since been scaled down to a \$24 million project that includes a new 18-hole course, clubhouse and driving range.

City Park CEO Robert Becker said the park has accumulated \$15.5 million from FEMA and state capital outlay, but the remaining \$9 million would come from private funding. Becker said he hopes to have the project completed by 2012.

Aside from FEMA funds for storm damage to roads and buildings within the park, Hopper said park administrators have had to raise money through state and federal grants and philanthropic donations. The park receives no property tax revenue and no allocation from City Hall. Through donations and grants, Hopper said the park has managed to raise more than \$70 million.•



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Work continues on the new administration building at City Park, part of a \$130 million overhaul of the Mid-City green space.



A federal arbitration panel recently ordered the Federal Emergency Management Agency to provide \$474.8 million to repair Charity Hospital after the agency originally offered a repair estimate of \$126 million.

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PROJECTS OF NOTE

LSU/VA complex

The biggest construction project in the modern history of New Orleans is one step closer to becoming a reality.

On Jan. 27 a federal arbitration panel ordered the Federal Emergency Management

Agency to provide \$474.8 million to repair Charity Hospital, which has remained vacant and unused since Hurricane Katrina. FEMA initially offered a repair estimate of \$126 million.

That clears the way for the new \$1.2 billion teaching hospital that will replace Charity, creating a 21st century medical corridor in New Orleans that city and state officials say will revitalize the downtown area.

The state teaching hospital and the adjacent U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs medical complex will sit on a 70-acre tract bound by South Claiborne and Tulane avenues and South Rocheblave and Canal streets.

The state already set aside \$300 million for the project, leaving it short \$425 million.

LSU spokesman Charles Zewe expressed confidence the money could be raised in time for an August groundbreaking with construction expected to be completed by December 2013.

The Louisiana Office of Facility Planning and Control, in challenging FEMA's figures, used the work of a team of designers and engineers headed by Blitch Knevel Architects to argue that the replacement costs were \$491.9 million.

The panel determined that the cost of repairing the hospital would exceed 50 percent of the cost to replace the facility. In its decision, the panel said FEMA "did not present a sound basis" for challenging Facility Planning and Control's expert witnesses.

When asked when FEMA will provide the money, LSU System general counsel Ray Lamonica said, "I'm sure the bureaucracy will have to address that. That's not a serious issue; it's determining the amount."

The ruling, he said, means "we know how much we're going to get from FEMA" and efforts to line up financing to build a new teaching hospital can continue.

Proponents of renovating and returning to

use the old Charity Hospital were not disappointed by the ruling. Instead, they hailed it as a victory for Louisiana that creates an opportunity to fast-

track their proposal.

The \$474.8 million combined with \$300 million already appropriated by the Legislature nearly funds the estimated \$900 million needed to renovate Charity Hospital, said Jack Davis, president of Smart Growth for Louisiana and a board member of the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

"Reusing Charity Hospital would allow the project to begin right away," Davis said. "But if the state moves forward with plans for the new \$1.2 billion hospital they still have to raise \$400 million. And most people agree that raising anything on the bond market right now is going to be extremely difficult and could take several more years."

Meanwhile, U.S. District Judge Eldon Fallon didn't immediately rule after hearing arguments Feb. 10 in a case filed by the National Trust against the federal government over the complex.

The National Trust claims the VA and FEMA violated the National Environmental Policy Act by allowing the city to begin the first phase of construction in a historic district before the federal government completed an analysis of the project.

Jamie Pleune, an attorney for the trust, said the government took a "leap first, look later" approach to picking the Mid-City site, leaving questions unanswered about the project's impact on other parts of the city.

Lawyers for the federal, state and city governments asked Fallon to dismiss the suit, a request the judge also took under advisement.



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TerraBella

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ften a rendering is the best depiction of an architect's idea for a construction project.

But for architect Steven Oubre, River Ranch in Lafayette inspired his design of the \$600 million, 400-acre TerraBella subdivision on the North Shore. His firm, Architects Southwest,

designed the traditional neighborhood development that TerraBella will mirror.

A traditional neighborhood development, which falls in line with the New Urbanism movement, is a mix of homes, shops, businesses, a village square and other amenities within walking distance. At least a dozen TNDs have been built, are under construction or on the drawing board in Louisiana, with more than 1,000 completed nationwide and another 4,000 in the works.

"TNDs are still in their infancy a bit, but I think the general public is starting to realize they want something more than the current constructed development models," Oubre said.

Oubre hopes to sprinkle some of the architectural magic onto TerraBella, which is managed by TerraBella Group LLC, along with their principal partner, Boh Bros. Construction.

Oubre designed the 400-acre residential and commercial subdivision near Bricker Road and Louisiana Highway 1085, and con-

> struction began in 2008. The community will feature two-bedroom cottages, live-and-work lofts, townhouses, condominiums, single-family residences and lakeside estates. It will also

include a town square, office buildings, commercial boutiques, a private elementary school and parks. The adjacent Little Tchefuncte River will provide a mile-long lake for rowing and fishing, with 178 acres of preserved forest and wetlands surrounding the neighborhood.

Home prices range from \$300,000 to \$2 million. By the projected 2018 finish date, TerraBella will include about 1,000 homeowners and 100 boutiques and offices, sales manager Jeff Sonnenberg said. Six builders are handling home design to avoid a cookiecutter appearance, he said.

Sonnenberg said 15 businesses have purchased space. There are 84 contracts for residences with 13 houses under construction, five of which have been sold. There will be five residences and five commercial buildings under construction by April.



Randy Meyer, left, managing partner of TerraBella Group LLC and owner of Conbeth Inc., and Jeff Sonnenberg, sales manager for TerraBella, walk through the \$600 million TerraBella residential and commercial subdivision on the North Shore.

"The kind of people we have attracted are young people and baby boomers," Sonnenberg said.

Oubre said the biggest challenges is introducing the TND concept to the public and tackling zoning laws. Most cities, districts and parishes have Euclidean zoning laws which allow for conventional suburban developments, characterized by similarly sized and priced homes built upon large tracts of land removed from commercial areas. TNDs have been inadvertently prohibited by some existing ordinances.

"It's tough to get them permitted, and therefore you can develop only in certain communities," Oubre said. "But I think that process will ease over time as the success of more TNDs comes to the forefront."•

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Name Address Mathes Brierre Architects APC 201 St. Charles Ave., Suite 4100	Telephone Fax 586-9303 582-1305	Registered architects Licensed engineers 26 0	Staff: Full-time Part-time Contract 64 0	Managing principal(s) Edward C. Mathes chairman	Interior design Y	Renovation Y	Landscaping Y	Historical preservation Y	Construction management	Recent local projects National World War II Museum expansion; Marine Forces Reserve headquarters, Federal City;
New Orleans 70170										Ellis Marsalis Center for Music, Musician's Village
Sizeler Thompson Brown Architects 300 Lafayette St., Suite 200 New Orleans 70130	523-6472 529-1181	15 0	50 0 0	I. William Sizeler lan G. Thompson Thomas M. Brown principals	Υ	Y	Y	Y	Y	Dillard University new professional schools building; Saint Bernard Parish Hospital; Orleans Parish Criminal Sheriff's Office (OPCSO): new intake processing center and inmate housing and kitchen, warehouse and central plant
Waggonner & Ball Architects APC 2200 Prytania St. New Orleans 70130	524-5308 524-5314	15 0	16 1 0	J. David Waggonner III F. Macnaughton Ball Jr. principals	Υ	Υ	Z	Υ	N	St. Bernard Cultural Arts Center; new Sacred Heart gymnasium and athletic center; renovations to Dinwiddie Hall at Tulane University
Eskew+Dumez+Ripple 365 Canal St., Suite 3150 New Orleans 70130	561-8686 522-2253	0	40 2 1	Allen Eskew Steve Dumez Mark Ripple directors	Υ	Υ	N	N	N	2009 Superdome enhancements; Tulane University main campus library renovation and expansion; Ochsner Research Institute
Verges Rome Architects 320 N. Carrollton Ave., Suite 100 New Orleans 70119	488-7739 488-7743	12 0	34 4 0	Chip Verges Steve Rome principals	Υ	Y	Z	Y	Y	Lake Area High School; Christians Brothers School expansion and renovations; LSU Dental School additions and renovations; South Plaquemines High School; First NBC Bank Harrison Avenue

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Blitch Knevel Architects Inc. 757 St. Charles Ave. New Orleans 70130	524-4634 524-5128	11 0	24 2 2	Ken Knevel vice president Ron Blitch president	Υ	Y	Y	Y	N	new LSU academic medical center, new Holy Cross High School, Xavier University Qatar Pharmacy Pavilion
Fauntleroy & Latham Architects APC 229 St. John Lane Covington 70433	(985) 893-4100 (985) 893-4128	11	25 0 1	Sam Fauntleroy Kenneth E. Latham principals	Υ	Υ	N	Υ	N	Salmen High School; Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church; St. Bernard Parish Sheriff's Annex
John C. Williams Architects LLC 824 Baronne St. New Orleans 70113	566-0888 566-0897	9	25 2 2	John C. Williams principal	Y	Υ	N	Υ	Υ	Second Line Stages Studio, Make It Right, Mahalia Jackson Center for Early Childhood and Family Learning
Broadmoor Design 2740 N. Arnoult Road Metairie 70002	885-5400 885-6065	8	21 0 0	Dean M. Duplantier vice president	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Louisiana Army National Guard multi-use readiness center; Coast Guard Integrated Support Command; Holy Cross School
Holly and Smith Architects APAC 208 N. Cate St. Hammond 70401	(985) 345-5210 (985) 345-5297	8 0	23 3 1	Michael F. Holly president Jeffrey Smith Mark Beckers Cassie Ragan	Υ	Y	N	Y	Y	Village de Jardin Senior Living Village; Southeastern Louisiana University Computer Science and Technology building; Fontainebleau Jr. High additions and renovations
Manning Architects 650 Poydras St., Suite 1250 New Orleans 70130	412-2000 412-2001	8 0	30 0 0	Wm. Raymond Manning president and CEO	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Dillard University Will W. Alexander Library; city of New Orleans master plan and zoning ordinance; Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport
Perez APC 317 Burgundy St., Suite 3 New Orleans 70112	588-5100 588-2162	8	46 1 2	Angela O'Byrne president	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	New Livingston High School; St. Bernard Civic Center Restoration; Patrick F. Taylor Science and Technology Regional Academy
HMS Architects APC 1515 Poydras St., Suite 2680 New Orleans 70112	636-3434 636-3435	7	15 0 0	Keith R. Steger vice president Charles B. Montgomery	Υ	Υ	Y	Y	Y	LSU Student Union Theatre; LSU Music and Dramatic Arts building; Andrew H. Wilson Elementary School
Montgomery Roth Architecture & Interior Design LLC 400 Poydras St., Suite 1720 New Orleans 70130	568-1240 568-1245	7 0	18 0 1	John Montgomery Lisa Roth principals	Υ	Υ	N	Υ	Υ	Chateau Bourbon Hotel, New Orleans Fairgrounds Race Course and Slots, Aidan Gill For Men
Chenevert Architects LLC 8200 Hampson St., Suite 200 New Orleans 70118	314-1404 314-1406	6	19 0 2	Mark I. Baum principal	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Omni Bank Mandeville; Jefferson Parish School Board Employee Credit Union; Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport renovations
John T. Campo & Associates Inc. 307 Tchoupitoulas St., Suite 300 New Orleans 70130	598-4440 598-4448	5 0	16 2 0	John T. Campo Jr. president	Υ	Y	N	Υ	Υ	The Chickory Buildings; Dillard University Student Union; JFHQ Jackson Barracks
Rozas-Ward/a.i.a. architects inc. 1100 Poydras St., Suite 3550 New Orleans 70163	524-4375 524-2493	5	16 0 0	Darren M. Rozas Charles J. Ward Jr. partners	Υ	Y	N	Υ	N	St. Mary's Academy High School; VA replacement hospital TL/Rehab Building; RSD Parkview School
SCNZ Architects LLC 2131 Magazine St., Suite 200 New Orleans 70130	301-3722 301-3724	5	9 2 0	R. Sean Sullivan Richard Choate J. Matt Norton Jody Zeringue	Υ	Y	N	Y	Y	Jackson Barracks Military Museum; Cafe Reconcile building renovations and addition; Wesley Barrow Baseball Stadium
BBi Architectural Services 1011 N. Causeway Blvd., Suite 36 Mandeville 70471	(985) 626-0858 (413) 410-7730	4 0	10 1 0	C. Brent Bueche president Elizabeth A. Gage-Oalman vice president	Υ	Y	N	N	N	Ollie Steele Burden Manor; Alexander Milne Home for Women; Chick-Fil-A restaurants
Richard C. Lambert Consultants LLC 900 W. Causeway Approach Mandeville 70471	(985) 727-4440 (985) 727-4447	4 4	29 0 2	Richard C. Lambert principal in charge	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Louisiana Offshore Oil Port, LLC administrative headquarters; RTD Beverages Office, Production, and Warehouse facility; New Orleans Lakefront Airport 1934 Terminal Building restorations
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523-2772 523-3081	4 0	19 0 0	Peter M. Trapolin president	Υ	Y	N	Y	N	Pontchartrain Hotel Renovations, LA National Guard-Marrerro Readiness Center, Islenos Museum-St. Bernard Parish
581-1948 581-1954	4 0	9 1 1	Marcel Wisznia principal	Y	Y	N	Y	N	Saratoga Lofts, Maritime Building, Stephens Garage conversion to lofts
522-7218 522-5606	4 0	8 1 0	Z. Ames Yeates partner Cynthia Miller Yeates partner	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Capital One Bank, St. Charles Avenue, New Phoenix High School, Fannie C. Williams School, the Historic Garrison at Jackson Barracks, Port Sulphur Community Center, Port Sulphur government building
581-7845 581-9474	3 0	5 0 0	Michael Toups	Y	Y	N	Y	N	Ogden Museum of Southern Art; Louisiana Public Health Laboratory; Sher Garner law offices
569-1818 569-1820	3 0	9 0 3	Steven Bingler principal Bobbie Hill	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Ursuline Early Learning Center; JEDCO office building
835-8013 835-8034	3 0	13 2 1	Michael Lachin	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Hughes Elementary School, Lacoste campus of Chalmette High School, Lafon Nursing Facility
566-9669 566-9668	3 0	10 0 0	Lee H. Ledbetter principal	Y	Y	N	Y	N	Five New Libraries, Tulane University Basketball/ Volleyball Practice Facility, Gallery Bienvenu, Sucre, New Orleans Museum of Art Sculpture Garden
799-3000 799-3010	3 0	9 0 0	Michael Robert Howard president	Y	Y	N	Y		Bienville School-New Orleans Recovery School District, LSU Marching Band Hall, Our Lady of Prompt Succor-Early Learning Center
838-8700 838-6003	3 0	7 2 3	George D. Hopkins Jr. president	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Vinturella, Pellegrin, Koppel, Culicchia, Guillory
754-5280 754-5275	3 7	25 0 0	Ronn P. Babin president and CEO	Y	Y	Y	Y		City of New Orleans Rosenwald Recreation Center; St. Bernard Port, Harbor and Terminal District administrative building; Murphy Oil USA Laboratory Facility
888-9077 888-9079	2	7 0 0	Brian E. Anderson architect Nita K. Liggio interior designer James H. Gsell project manager	Υ	Υ	Υ	Y	N	West Park-FEMA; Odyssey House Louisiana- Washington Avenue Adolescent Facility; Wink Northshore Office
	523-2772 523-3081 581-1948 581-1954 522-7218 522-5606 581-7845 581-9474 569-1820 835-8013 835-8034 566-9669 566-9668 799-3000 799-3010 838-6003	Telephone Fax architects Licensed engineers 523-2772 523-3081 4 581-1948 581-1954 0 581-7845 581-9474 3 569-1818 569-1820 3 566-9669 566-9668 3 799-3000 799-3010 3 838-8700 838-6003 3 754-5280 754-5275 7 888-9077 2	Telephone Fax Licensed engineers Part-time Contract 523-2772 523-3081 4 19 523-3081 0 0 581-1948 581-1954 4 9 581-7845 581-9474 3 5 581-7845 581-9474 3 5 569-1818 569-1820 3 9 33 3 13 835-8013 835-8034 3 10 566-9669 566-9668 3 10 799-3000 799-3010 3 9 788-8003 3 7 838-8700 838-6003 3 7 754-5280 754-5275 7 0 888-9077 888-9079 0 7 888-9077 888-9079 0 7 0 0 7	Telephone Fax Licensed Licensed engineers Full-time Contract Managing principal(s) 523-2772 523-3081 4 0 0 Peter M. Trapolin president 581-1948 581-1954 4 9 Marcel Wisznia principal 581-1954 581-1954 4 9 Marcel Wisznia principal 522-7218 522-5606 4 8 Z. Ames Yeates partner 522-7218 522-5606 4 8 Z. Ames Yeates partner 581-7845 581-9474 3 5 Michael Toups 569-1818 569-1820 3 5 Michael Toups 569-1820 0 0 0 principal Bobbie Hill 835-8013 835-8034 3 13 Michael Lachin 566-9669 566-9668 0 3 10 Lee H. Ledbetter principal on the ward president 799-3010 0 0 0 Principal on the ward president 838-8700 838-6003 0 3 7 George D. Hopkins Jr. president 754-5280 754-5275 7 3 25 Ronn P. Babin president and CEO 888-9077 888-9079 0 0 Ronn P. Babin president and CEO<	Telephone Fax architects Licensed Paymens Full-time Contract Contract Managing principal(s) Interior design 523-2772 523-3081 4 19 Peter M. Trapolin president Y 581-1948 581-1954 4 9 Marcel Wisznia principal Y 581-1948 581-1954 4 8 Z. Ames Yeates partner Cynthia Miller Yeates partner Y 522-7218 522-5606 3 5 Michael Toups Y 581-7845 581-9474 3 5 Michael Toups Y 569-1820 0 0 3 Description principal Bobble Hill N 835-8013 835-8034 3 13 Michael Lachin Principal Bobble Hill N 566-9669 566-9668 3 10 Lee H. Ledbetter Principal Description Princip	Telephone Fax architects Licenseds Part-time engineers Full-time contract Managing principal(s) Interior design Renovation 523-2772 4 19 Peter M. Trapolin president Y Y 581-1948 4 9 Marcel Wisznia principal Y Y 581-1948 4 9 Marcel Wisznia principal Y Y 522-7218 4 8 Z. Ames Yeates partner Y Y 522-7218 4 8 Z. Ames Yeates partner Y Y 581-7845 3 5 Michael Toups Y Y 581-7845 3 5 Michael Toups Y Y 569-1820 0 0 3 Bobble Hill N Y 835-8013 3 13 Michael Lachin N Y 835-8034 0 2 N Y Y 799-3000 3 10 Lee H. Ledbetter principal Y Y 799-3010 0 <td> Telephone</td> <td> Telephone Service Full-time Part-time Part-t</td> <td> Telephone Service Full-time Full-time Contract Contrac</td>	Telephone	Telephone Service Full-time Part-time Part-t	Telephone Service Full-time Full-time Contract Contrac

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Antoine Architects LLC 4990 Highway 22, Suite B Mandeville 70471-6770	(985) 845-9650 NA	2 0	4 0 0	Alan B. Antoine architect	Υ	Υ	N	Υ	Υ	Magnolia Business Center, St. Mary of the Angels School, Lamar Business Park
N-Y Associates Inc. 2750 Lake Villa Drive Metairie 70002	885-0500 885-0595	2 12	38 2 0	Nicholas S. Musso vice president and director of architecture Frank Nicoladis president Michael F. Nicoladis senior vice president	Υ	Y	N	Y	Y	Jefferson Parish East Bank maintenance facility; Plaquemines Parish Percy Griffin Community Center; St. James Parish Judicial Building
Piazza Architecture Planning 847 Galvez St., Suite 200 Mandeville 70448	(985) 626-1564 (985) 626-8289	2 0	6 0 0	Michael A. Piazza architect and owner	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Southern Living Magazine Idea House, Covington; 4 Commercial Buildings Terra Bella, Covington; First Baptist Church Youth Center, Slidell; The Commons Phase II, Mandeville; Bayou Lacombe Middle School Renovations
Woodward Design Group 1019 S. Dupre St. New Orleans 70125	822-6443 822-9493	2 4	13 1 0	Paul H. Flower	Υ	Y	N	Υ	Υ	Benson Tower, Girod Street parking garage, Mosquito Termite Rodent Control Center
Humphreys & Partners Architects/Louisiana LLC 603 Julia St. New Orleans 70130	717-4701 324-0973	1 0	3 0 0	Danny Baldassaro regional director	Υ	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Preserve, The Crescent Club, Meridian

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Name Address	Phone Fax	Licensed engineers	Full-time employees Year founded	Industrial or Commercial	Environmental Wastewater Geotechnical	Residential Public works Other	Recent local projects	Managing principal(s) E-mail Web site
URS Corp. 3500 N. Causeway Blvd., Suite 900, Metairie 70002 600 Carondelet St., New Orleans 70130	837-6326/586-8111 831-8860/599-5240	153	617 1904	275	39 28 12	0 41 0	Valero Wastewater Treatment Upgrade, ConocoPhillips Small Projects Alliance, Port of New Orleans Dock Bracing Program, City of New Orleans Earhart Corridor, New Orleans Sewerage and Water Board Claiborne Avenue	Kenneth Martinez Vincent Provenza, vice president, regional managers lisa_davis@urscorp.com www.urscorp.com
Waldemar S. Nelson & Co. Inc. 1200 St. Charles Ave. New Orleans 70130	523-5281 523-4587	92	278 1945	91	2 2 0	0 5 0	Shell offshore oil and gas facilities; ExxonMobil offshore oil and gas facilities; U.S. Army Corps of Engineers hurricane protection projects	Charles W. Nelson, chairman and president Kenneth Nelson, secretary, manager of corporate affairs Tom Ehrlicher, executive vice president James Lane, treasurer and chief financial officer Robert Leaber, manager of engineering David Stewart www.wsnelson.com
EDG Inc. Consulting Engineers 3900 N. Causeway Blvd., Suite 700 Metairie 70002	455-0858 (888) 334-9298 455-0868	71	350 1982	10	0 0 0	0 0 61	deepwater Gulf of Mexico upgrades and modifications projects; significant studies for green field docks on the Mississippi River	Dave Colomb Pete Posner Tim Moreau Douglas DeRouen contactedg@edg.net www.edg.net
Wink Engineering 8641 United Plaza Blvd. Baton Rouge 70809	(225) 932-6000 (225) 932-9035	59	325 1970	90	1 1 0	0 1 7	NA tterhead to Research, New Orleans CityBusines	A.E. "Andy" Farris Jr., president Raleigh P. Richards, senior vice president and chief financial officer Michael H. Wink, vice president Michael B. Willem, vice president Kevin D. Steed, vice president www.winkinc.com

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Jacobs Engineering Group 3330 W. Esplanade Ave., Suite 300 Metairie 70002	835-2577 837-5924	50	150 1957	60	10 0 10	0 20 0	Shell Mars B TLP	Barry Acosta, manager of business development Randy Hasling, manager of projects Lawrence J. Cacioppo barry.acosta@jacobs.com www.jacobs.com
Audubon Engineering Co. LLC 111 Veterans Blvd., Suite 1200 Metairie 70005	833-5669 828-4609	39	343 1997	100	0 0 0	0 0 0	Rhodia chemical plant absorber tower, Entergy-Electric Utility Blackstart generator installation, Kinder Morgan Baton Rouge terminal facility upgrade, Gulf of Mexico independent oil and gas company-large gas production platform, ENI Petroleum Gulf of Mexico major oil and gas company-subsea gas processing facility	J. Denis Taylor, managing partner Bob Rosamond Ryan Haneman denis@aecno.com www.aecno.com
Burk-Kleinpeter Inc. 4176 Canal St. New Orleans 70119	486-5901 483-6298	35	128 1910	43	5 5 0	0 46 6	Avondale Shipyard, New Orleans street repair, Peters Road Bridge	George C. Kleinpeter Jr., president gkleinpeter@bkiusa.com www.bkiusa.com
Rimkus Consulting Group 3850 N. Causeway Blvd., Suite 1325 Metairie 70002	832-8999 832-1060	33	26 1995	1	0 0 0	18 0 14	NA	Jeremy Hoffpauir, division manager and forensic division Mmnager central region jchoffpauir@rimkus.com www.rimkus.com
Keystone Engineering Inc. 2450 Severn Ave., Suite 308 Metairie 70001	362-9465 362-6899	30	140 1988	100	0 0 0	0 0 0	Valero St. Charles refinery offsites, ExxonMobil Upstream Green and Brownfield work, structural assessments and Gulf of Mexico hurricane restoration support; Chevron Gulf of Mexico hurricane redevelopment project work; misc. LOOP project support	Glenn Baudoin, quality assurance principal David Spako, engineering principal Chris Suchand, marketing principal Barry Reed, vice president Rudy Hall, managing principal Wesley Salmon, financial principal hr@keystoneengr.com www.keystoneengr.com
Pelican Energy Consultants LLC 73100 E. Stadium Drive Covington 70433	(985) 871-4200 (985) 871-4102	25	80 2005	20	0 0 0	0 0 0	Denbury EOR facilities, Valero St. Charles Refinery onsite and offsite projects, Helis Gulf of Mexico facility abandonments, ExPert Oil & Gas, LLC Oil Facility	Kenneth S. Bogle, president kenneth.bogle@pelicanenergy.com www.pelicanenergy.com
JBA Consulting Engineers Inc. 3525 N. Causeway Blvd., Suite 500 Metairie 70002	830-0139 830-0197	21	117 1966	0	0 0 0	0 0 0	Saenger Theatre renewal, Andrew Sanchez (Copelin-Byrd) Center, Louisiana National Guard Jackson Barracks, Louisiana National Guard Reserve Readiness Center, LOOP, LLC, St. Tammany Parish Sheriff's Office administration building, FEMA Westpark office building, RTD Beverages	Craig M. Clement, director Ashley C. Brennan, office manager cclement@jbace.com www.jbace.com
BCG Engineering & Consulting Inc. 3012 26th St. Metairie 70002	454-3866 454-6397	17	32 1976	5	0 5 0	0 80 10	Southeast Louisiana Flood Control Project; fronting protection at Bonnabel and Suburban pump stations; West Bank levees design reports and plans and specifications; coastal restoration	Kenneth L. Brown, president Rodney J. Gannuch, executive vice president rgannuch@bcgnola.com www.bcgengineers.com
Project Associates Inc. 6660 Riverside Drive, Suite 300 Metairie 70003	836-2901 836-2912	17	75 1974	0	0 0 0	0 0 100	Chevron-Piceance Basin; Expro-Pinauna	J. B. Exley S.J. Trocquet T. K. Garbee pai@paieng.com www.paieng.com
Leonard C. Quick & Associates Inc. 21449 Marion Lane, Suite 6 Mandeville 70471	(985) 249-5130 (877) 224-4500 (985) 249-5124	15	7 1988	30	5 8 2	40 15 7	WND	Leonard C. Quick www.quickforensics.com
Evans-Graves Engineers Inc. 1 Galleria Blvd., Suite 1520 Metairie 70001	836-8190 836-8199	14	42 1954	10	0 5 0	10 65 10	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers hurricane protection office; Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport pavement remediation; Pontchartrain Levee District flood protection; and design and reconstruction of hurricane damaged facilities in Plaquemines Parish.	John A. Graves, president jgraves@evans-graves.com www.evans-graves.com

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Name Address	Phone Fax	Licensed engineers	Full-time employees Year founded	Industrial or Commercial	Environmental Wastewater Geotechnical	Residential Public works Other	Recent local projects	Managing principal(s) E-mail Web site
Modjeski & Masters Inc. 1055 St. Charles Ave., Suite 400 New Orleans 70130	524-4344 561-1229	14	36 1893	0	0 0 0	0 0 100	design and construction monitoring of Florida Avenue Bridge replacement; design of the Huey P. Long Bridge widening; design and construction monitoring of Katrina damage repairs to three Industrial Canal bridges	Donald F. Sorgenfrei, senior vice president dfsorgenfrei@modjeski.com www.modjeski.com
U.S. Forensic LLC 3300 W. Esplanade Ave., Suite 601 Metairie 70002	831-7001 (888) 873-6752 832-0055	13	18 2006	25	5 0 0	65 5 0	LSU, SLU, USACE SELA,	Gary L. Bell, managing partner gary@usforensic.com www.usforensic.com
N-Y Associates Inc. 2750 Lake Villa Drive, Suite 100 Metairie 70002	885-0500 885-0595	12	38 1969	5	5 20 0	0 70 0	N. Galvez Street improvements, city of New Orleans; sewerage improvements, Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans; U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Jefferson Parish West Bank flood protection	Frank Nicoladis Michael F. Nicoladis Constantine F. Nicoladis James E. Simmons mnicoladis@n-yassociates.com www.n-yassociates.com
Eustis Engineering Services LLC 3011 28th St. Metairie 70002	834-0157 (800) 966-0157 834-0354	11	116 1957	0	0 0 275	0 0 161	Columbia Citi Residences at Bayou District; Holy Cross High School; Plaquemines Parish East Bank Back Levee; Jefferson Lakefront Breakwaters; Harvey Canal Levee Floodwalls; Storm Proofing of Drainage Pump Stations 1, 2, 4, 12, 19, and 10	William W. Gwyn, president Kathy D. LeRouge, secretary John R. Eustis, executive vice president and treasurer Gwendolyn P. Sanders, vice president info@eustiseng.com www.eustiseng.com
Tetra Tech 2800 Veterans Blvd., Suite 252 Metairie 70002	595-2610 595-2717	11	58 1966 (in Pasadena, Calif.)	0	5 0 50	0 0 45	design services for Inner Harbor Navigation Canal, Atchafalaya Basin Wetlands permitting, Hurricanes Katrina and Rita Emergency Response, Gulf Coast restoration projects, Hurricane/flood protection, dams, and levees	Allen Dupont, senior project manager info@tetratech.com www.tetratech.com
Associated Design Group Inc. 1010 Common St., Suite 2405 New Orleans 70112	561-6333 561-6338	8	16 1996	20	15 0 0	0 0 65	Dillard University campus recovery, Louisiana Superdome reconstruction, Hyatt Hotel renovation, Regional Transit Authority reconstruction, 200 Carondelet renovation	Lawrence W. Blanchette, CEO Perry S. Brown, branch executive officer Lance J. Bonadona, branch executive officer Craig Campbell, chief operating officer Pat Boudreaux, executive officer adgno@adginc.org adginc.org
Infinity Engineering Consultants LLC 2626 Canal St., Suite 202 New Orleans 70119	355-0265	7	19 2004	40	0 40 0	0 15 5	Plaquemines Parish Ollie Drainage Pump Station improvements; Buras wastewater treatment plant; Mahalia Jackson Theater of Performing Arts; IMTT Biodiesel Installation design; Sewerage and Water Board lift station replacements	Raoul V. Chauvin III William J. Thomassie, principal partners wthomassie@infinityec.com www.infinityec.com
Moses Engineers Inc. 909 Poydras St., Suite 2150 New Orleans 70118	586-1725 586-1846	7	21 1947	80	0 0 0	0 20 0	city of New Orleans judicial complexes, L.B. Landry High School, Mahalia Jackson & Armstrong Park, Second Line Film Stages, Make It Right	Lenny Zimmermann Ted H. Moses W. Howard Moses Luis R. Sosa hmoses@mosesengineers.com
WDG Architects Engineers (formerly Wink Design Group) 1100 Poydras St., Suite 1360 New Orleans 70163	754-5280 754-5271 754-5275	7	25 2009	0	0 0 0	0 0 0	city of New Orleans generator upgrades-citywide, Louisiana Superdome enhancements, Ochsner Health System-citywide upgrades, Tulane University well water system, Mahalia Jackson School renovations, LSUHSC New Orleans campus fan coils and piping repairs, Jackson Barracks renovations	
Clement Control Systems 1305 Distributors Row, Suite K Harahan 70123	733-5323 733-5373	6	20 1998	100	0 0 0	0 0 0	control system upgrades for LOOP, ChevronTexaco, Murphy Oil, Valero, Enbridge, Occidential and Stolthaven	Mark D. Clement Mark P. Hymel Mark M. Foster www.clementcontrols.com
IMC Consulting Engineers Inc. 3120 20th St. Metairie 70002	831-9119 831-9121 831-9134	6	19 1988	50	0 0 0	3 47 0	Marine Forces Reserve headquarters, Federal City; Consolidated Car Rental Facility, Louis Armstrong Airport; La. National Guard multiuse complex, Jackson Barracks; Touro Imaging Center; Naval public works complex; stormproofing N.O. S&WB S	Ken McLaughlin, president Chip Higbee, vice president Richard Nichols, vice president kmclaughlin@ imcconsultingengineers.com

Engineering firms

(ranked by the number of licensed engineers)

Name Address	Phone Fax	Licensed engineers	Full-time employees Year founded	Industrial or Commercial	Environmental Wastewater Geotechnical	Residential Public works Other	Recent local projects	Managing principal(s) E-mail Web site
AIMS Group Inc. Consulting Engineers 4421 Zenith St. Metairie 70001	887-7045 887-7088	5	18 1994	5	25 0 10	5 15 40	Larose to Golden Meadow floodwall Design; Bayou Segnette State Park hurricane flood protection design; roadway work on Clearview Parkway between Mounes and Airline Highway	Thomas R. L'Hoste Kirk Juneau trl@aimsgroupinc.com aimsgroupinc.com
Julien Engineering 3520 Gen. DeGaulle Drive, Suite 1045 New Orleans 70114	366-3454 366-8726	5	19 1995	10	0 5 0	15 40 30	Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport, consolidated car rental facility; C.J. Peete Redevelopment, Housing and Public Works; rehabilitation of Cherokee, Somerset and Berkely Streets; Baton Rouge Magnet High School	Kerwin E. Julien, president kerwin@julien-engineering.com www.julien-engineering.com
Richard C. Lambert Consultants LLC 900 West Causeway Approach Mandeville 70471	(985) 727-4440 (985) 727-4447	4	29 1987	30	0 5 0	30 25 10	I-12 Tchefuncte Interchange; Dwyer Road Box Culvert intake canal; Maison du Lac subdivision; Magazine St. Construction Administration	Richard C. Lambert, principal in charge rclc@rclconsultants.com www.rclconsultants.com
Woodward Engineering Group 1019 S. Dupre St. New Orleans 70125	822-6443 822-9493	4	6 1924	95	0 0 0	5 0 0	Eleven 37 Apartments, Federal City, C.J. Peete redevelopment; Bonne Terre Village II Houma; Dillard Professional Schools building	Johann L. Palacios, division manager Paul H. Flower, CEO info@woodwarddesignbuild.com www.woodwarddesignbuild.com
J.V. Burkes & Associates 1805 Shortcut Highway Slidell 70458	(985) 649-0075 (985) 649-0154	3	16 1964	30	10 10 0	20 30 0	Rooms To Go distribution center, Pearl River; Old Military Road at Cleo Road roundabout; U.S. Navy Housing Project, Slidell; Lee Street Pump Station; Shell/ METOcean Training Facility; New Orleans Lakefront Airport improvement; Slidell Airport expansion; St. Tammany Parish School Board various projects; Recreation Park expansion, Ocean Springs; Fritchie Park recreation improvements; Southern Surgical Hospital expansion; Haas Road widening project; First Baptist Church school expansion	J.V. Burkes, president Sean Burkes, vice president sburkes@jvburkes.com www.jvburkes.com
Petronyx Consulting Engineers LLC 3520 Gen. DeGaulle Drive, Suite 3200 New Orleans 70114	366-1414 366-1450	3	20 1998	95	0 5 0	0 0 0	Helis Black Bay CF, North & CB Facility Upgrades; Shell Pipeline, Garyville Metering & Pump Station; Shell Yellowhammer Terminal Upgrade	Hossein A. Kasiri Robert M. Zone, managing principals mail@petronyx.com www.petronyx.com
Trigon Associates LLC 1515 Poydras St., Suite 2200 New Orleans 70112	585-5767 982-0088 585-5747	3	5 2009	10	5 25 0	0 50 10	City of New Orleans Department of Public Works Drainage Master Plan; Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans Sewer System Evaluation and Rehabilitation Program Support; US Army Corps of Engineers Flood Protection Project and Construction Management; City of Shreveport East 70th Street Water Service Relocation; City of Slidell SPS 212 Investigation; Support Services to Local Construction Projects	Lisa Fernandez Cookmeyer, chief operating officer Sal Mansour, president Michelle Herbert, vice president Greg Kolenovsky, vice president LCookmeyer@ TrigonAssociates.com ww.TrigonAssociates.com
Creative Engineering Group 201 Highland Park Plaza Covington 70433	(985) 249-5706 (985) 249-5707	2	7 2005	0	0 0 0	0 0 0	NA	Keith Schleusener, vice president Ray Nolan keiths@ceg-itl.com
Gandolfo Kuhn LLC 5413 Powell St. Harahan 70123	818-2810 818-2811	2	10 1893	85	3 2 0	0 5 5	Armstrong Park, Huey P. Long Bridge, Ochsner Hospital and Clinic, New Orleans Riverwalk, City Park	Paul J. Kocke Sr. Ed Kocke Walter Stone Joseph Meilleur pkocke@gandolfokuhn.com
Innovative Technical Services LLC 400 Poydras St., Suite 1330 New Orleans 70130	593-2000 617-6371	2	17 2001	90	0 0 0	0 0 10	Department of Energy strategic petroleum reserve, Shell Exploration and Production	Lorna Humphrey, principal in charge Chad Simonton, principal Thomas Hurstell, principal engineer www.intech-llc.com
K-Belle Consultants 624 Atherton Drive Metairie 70001	832-9123 457-4193 617-7797	1	1 2008	0	0 0 0	0 0 1	NA	Kristi Hoke Mirambell, president KMirambell@k-belle.com www.k-belle.com
Mahl & Associates Inc. 5817 Citrus Blvd. New Orleans 70123	733-8050 733-8052	1	4 1983	100	0 0 0	0 0 0	hurricane repairs, Entergy Corp.; natural gas distribution expansion, Atmos Energy; detention facility, Plaquemines Parish government; litigation support various claims	George J. Mahl III, president gjmahl@mahlengr.com

Commercial landscape contractors

(ranked by 2009 landscaping revenue)

Name Address	Telephone Fax	2009 landscaping revenue	Staff: Full- time Professional	Contact Title Year founded locally	Design or architecture Installation or landscaping	Construction Irrigation Maintenance	Other services	Recent projects
Rotolo Consultants Inc. 894 Robert Blvd. Slidell 70458	(985) 643-2427 (985) 643-2691	\$19 million	175 18	Joe Rotolo president 1964	Y	Y Y Y	pool design and build, hardscape (pavers, sidewalks, etc.)	Stone Creek Athletic Club, City Park, Lacoste High School pool, Keesler Housing 1640 Homes
Louisiana Landscape Specialty Inc. 1701 Belle Chasse Highway Gretna 70056	391-1800 394-0726	\$12 million	130 21	Randy Loup CEO 1983	Y	Y Y Y	drainage, lightning, hydro- seeding, tree pruning and removal, swimming pools, demolitian, hauling	NOMA Sculpture Garden, River Garden, Jackson Barracks, Macy's, Belle Chasse Naval Air Station
Anthony's 300 L&A Road Metairie 70001	834-3094 834-3097	\$4.5 million	28 9	Ray Gumpert ASLA landscape architect and vice president Ted W. Anthony Jr. president 1997	Y	Y Y	swimming pool design and construction, interiorscaping, drainage, landscape lighting, hydroseeding, holiday decorating, plant rentals, hardscape and pavers, general contractor	Veterans Boulevard and Clearview beautification, Severn & Veterans Boulevard Blue Dog Sculpture, Hampton Inn Baton Rouge Hardscape and Landscape, D-Day Museum, Manhattan & Gretna Boulevard, One Shell Square Poydras Street Median, exclusive private residences
The Plant Gallery Inc. 9401 Airline Drive New Orleans 70118	488-8887 (866) 903-7398	\$750,000	55 18	Jim Massicot general manager Kenneth John Rabalais owner and president 1991	Y	Y Y Y	florist, plant rentals, special events	Marriott Hotel, Downtown Development District, Morial Convention Center, Fairmont Hotel
Swanson's Perfect Ponds & Landscaping dba Stone Yard 3944 Peters Road Harvey 70058	367-2339 263-0211	\$100,000	2 2	Frank Swanson president 1990	Y	Y N Y	construction and maintenance of all water features, stone yard and pond supplies, pond supplies, outdoor decor, sugar kettles	NA

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General contractors

(ranked by gross revenue)

Company Address	Phone Fax	Gross revenue	Full-time employees Year founded locally	Services offered	Percent of volume: Commercial Light industrial Heavy industrial	volume: Public works Other	Recent local projects	Top executive
Boh Bros. Construction Co. LLC P.O. Box 53266 New Orleans 70153	821-2400 821-0714	\$405 million	1,500 1909	general contractor	10 percent 0 percent 36 percent	54 percent 0 percent	I-10 Twin Spans; Hero Pump Station Fronting Protection; Columbia City Residences Infrastructure	Robert S. Boh president and CEO
Woodward Design+Build 1019 South Dupre St. New Orleans 70125	822-6443 822-9493	\$240 million	240 1924	construction, design, engineering, steel, millwork	55 percent 25 percent 0 percent	15 percent 5 percent	Benson Tower, Federal City, C.J. Peete redevelopment, Dillard University Professional Schools Building, US Custom House	Paul H. Flower president and CEO
Walton Construction 2 Commerce Court Harahan 70123	733-2212 733-2214	\$206 million	144 2003	pre-construction, construction, design- build, construction management	40 percent 0 percent 0 percent	0 percent 60 percent	Southern University Student and Faculty Housing, Andrew H. Wilson School, 19th Judicial District Courthouse, Gaslight Apartments, BRAC Package 1A at Naval Air Station - Joint Reserve Base New Orleans, Fort Polk Barracks renovation	William Petty president
MAPP Construction LLC 601 Poydras St., Suite 1715 New Orleans 70130	833-6277 833-6074	\$145 million	130 1991	general contractor	90 percent 10 percent 0 percent	0 percent 0 percent	Jefferson Parish Emergency Call Center, Gretna; Capital One - West Esplanade, Metairie; parking garage expansion, Gretna; Walmart Neighborhood Market, Mandeville	Michael Polito president and CEO
Broadmoor LLC 2740 N. Arnoult Road Metairie 70002	885-5400 885-6065	\$130 million	150 1973	general contracting, design-build, project management	100 percent 0 percent 0 percent	0 percent 0 percent	Coast Guard Integrated Support Command and Tenants, LAARNG Army Aviation Support Facility; Navy SOF Riverine and Combatant Craft Operations Facility, Stennis Space Center; new campus for Holy Cross School; Joint Forces headquarters, Jackson Barracks	John A. Stewart president
Gibbs Construction LLC 5736 Citrus Blvd., Suite 200 Harahan 70123	733-4336 734-1417	\$110 million	120 1976	commercial general contractor, design-build	100 percent 0 percent 0 percent	0 percent 0 percent	Jackson Barracks, 930 Poydras	Lawrence C. Gibbs CEO
Brice Building Co. 3500 N. Causeway Blvd., Suite 350 Metairie 70002	887-7020 887-7090	\$86 million	50 1952	general contracting, design-build, construction management	100 percent 0 percent 0 percent	0 percent 0 percent	Louisiana Cancer Research Center, Roosevelt Hotel, Church of the King, Ochsner Clinic Foundation	C. Ben Nevins president and chief operating officer
Satterfield & Pontikes Construction Group LLC 2400 Veterans Blvd., Suite 105 Kenner 70062	620-3660 620-3860	\$77 million	25 2005	general contractor, construction manager, design-build	7 percent 0 percent 0 percent	87 percent 6 percent	The National WWII Museum Phase IV Expansion L.B. Landry High School - New Construction St. Mary's Academy Hurricane Rebuild NOAB - Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting Facility Marathon Oil Co. New Administration Building	James J. Brogan vice president
Landis Construction Co. LLC 8300 Earhart Blvd., Suite 300 New Orleans 70118	833-6070 833-6662	\$75 million	95 1956	construction, pre- construction, design- build	100 percent 0 percent 0 percent	0 percent 0 percent	Lacoste School & fieldhouse, Southern Yacht Club, Landis corporate offices, St. Anselm Church, Ochsner EP Labs, St. Bernard vehicle maintenance facility, Lafon Nursing Facility, Isidore Newman Lecture Hall	James C. Landis CEO and president
M.R. Pittman Group LLC 505 Commerce Point Harahan 70123	733-3040 733-3042	\$67 million	95 2004	general contractor	0 percent 0 percent 0 percent	100 percent 0 percent	New Sarpy Water Treatment Plant New Sarpy, Louisiana GIWW West Closure Structure US Army Corps of Engineers c/o Gulf Intra- Coastal Contractors Plaqumines Parish, Louisiana	Michael R. Pittman president
The McDonnel Group LLC 3350 Ridgelake Drive, Suite 170 Metairie 70002	219-0032 219-0095	\$60 million	50 2000	general construction, pre-construction services, construction management, design- build	100 percent 0 percent 0 percent	0 percent 0 percent	Louisiana Medical Center & Heart Hospital expansion, Metairie Country Club expansion and renovations, new cryogenics control center-Stennis Space Center, LSU Interim Hospital renovations, improvements at One Shell Square, Xavier University interior renovations, Lakeshore High School, Archbishop Hannan High School	Allan McDonnel president
Durr Heavy Construction LLC 817 Hickory Ave. Harahan 70123	737-3205 737-3905	\$42 million	134 1955	site preparation, demolition, underground utilities, paving, disaster recovery	50 percent 30 percent 0 percent	10 percent 10 percent	C.J. Peete redevelopment	Stephen F. Stumpf CEO
Ryan Gootee General Contractors LLC 1613 Justin Road Metairie 70001	832-1282 832-8969	\$35 million	35 2004	commercial general construction, pre- construction services, design-build	100 percent 0 percent 0 percent	0 percent 0 percent	Jesuit High School - science labs, 1953 window replacement, ADA ramps and landscaping; Joseph A. Craig Elementary School; New Orleans District Attorney's Office; Samuel Green Charter School - Edible Garden Kitchen; Stern Tennis Center	Ryan P. Gootee president and CEO
Devier Construction P.O. Box 9150 Mandeville 70470	(985) 612-2900 (985) 612-2901	\$29 million	32 1999	general contractor	100 percent 0 percent 0 percent	60 percent 40 percent	CVS Highway 190, Covington; Hammond Center for Options, Hammond	Thad Devier CEO
F.H. Myers Construction Corp. 520 Commerce Point Harahan 70123	734-1073 734-1099	\$26 million	47 1987	general contractor - commercial construction, design-build, pre- construction services	90 percent 10 percent 0 percent	0 percent 0 percent	St. Charles Surgical Hospital, St. Charles Ave., New Orleans, D.W. Rhodes Funeral Home, Washington Ave. New Orleans, Arabi Terminal relocation of LISCO for the St. Bernard Port, Harbor and Terminal District, Visitation of Our Lady, 3520 Ames Blvd. Marrero	Fred H. Myers president
Construction Masters 701 Papworth Ave., Suite 206 Metairie 70005		\$25 million	26 1989	renovations, new construction, adaptive reuse, hurricane rehabilitation	5 percent 0 percent 0 percent	90 percent 5 percent	Mahalia Jackson Elementary School; OPSB; city of New Orleans NOFD Fire Engine 36; Jefferson Playground gym renovation; state of Louisiana Pontchartrain-Chartres Mental Health Center; Our Lady of Prompt Succor Church	Rene' J. Becnel/Glen Newell CEO/president



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General contractors

(ranked by gross revenue)

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Aegis Construction Inc. 456 W. Fifth St. LaPlace 70068	(985) 651-2859 (985) 651-2854	\$25 million	30 1991	design-build, construction management, general contractor	30 percent 0 percent 0 percent	70 percent 0 percent	St. Charles Sheriff complex, Port Sulpher & EMS center, Dredging Supply Co. office; Gretna Library; East Jeff Athletic bldg. Cypress Gym, Westbank ARC	M. Kent Liliedahl president and CEO
Professional Construction Services Inc. P.O. Box 26245 New Orleans 70186	241-8001 245-7475	\$24 million	125 1972	land and marine pile driving, concrete foundations, structural steel fabrication and erection, process piping	10 percent 45 percent 45 percent	0 percent 0 percent	Chevron Oronite at Belle Chasse; misc pile driving; Entergy; AT&T Louis Dreyfus; IMTT, St. Rose, Avondale, Gretna; Stolthaven; T- Mobile; Dupont LaPlace	Leonard B. Hebert Jr. CEO and chairman of the board
Ellis Construction 739 S. Clark St. New Orleans 70119	483-9510 483-9520	\$20 million	31 1996	general contractor	95 percent 0 percent 0 percent	5 percent 0 percent	Goodwill Industries of Louisiana corporate offices and retail facility, Cypress Manor I Apartments, LSU Dental School facilities	Bret Ellis president
Rotolo Consultants Inc. 894 Robert Blvd. Slidell 70458	(985) 643-2427 (985) 643-2691	\$19 million	178 1978	landscape construction, landscape maintenance, pool construction, hardscape (sidewalks, pavers, etc.)	50 percent 10 percent 0 percent	40 percent 0 percent	City Park Great Lawn, Southern Yacht Club pool complex, SUNO student housing, Stone Creek landscape and pool complex, LaCoste High School swimming pool, C.J. Peete landscaping and pool,	Joe Rotolo president
Core Construction Co. LLC 4416 York St., Suite 200 Metairie 70001	457-2420 457-2422	\$9 million	8 2001	general contractor, commercial	100 percent 0 percent 0 percent	0 percent 0 percent	St. Francis Xavier Church, Metairie; Capital One, 201 St. Charles; Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Voilet; Prime Source Warehouse; St. Albert, Hammond; Police Evidence, N.O.; Zephyr Field renovations, Metairie; St. Paul concessions, Covington; Robert E. Lee Theatre demo	Timothy A. Held and Frank B. Stritzinger co-owners
Favalora Constructors Inc. 1354 Carroll St., Suite C Kenner 70063	466-1448 467-6139	\$6 million	25 1984	design-build	90 percent 10 percent 0 percent	0 percent 0 percent	office building for Fleming Construction Co.; fabrication shop for Survival Systems International; new freight facility for Fed Ex Freight	Laurence P. Favalora president
Goliath Construction Co. Inc. 2700 Metairie Lawn Drive Metairie 70002	837-6515 837-6519	\$6 million	12 1957	medical, banking, religious, educational facilities	100 percent 0 percent 0 percent	0 percent 0 percent	321 Veterans Blvd. office building, Tulane Zeta Beta Tau fraternity house, Gelman- Collins Medical Center	Harry Lazarus president





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Poche' Construction Inc. 2520 Bayou Road New Orleans 70119	301-0525 301-0523	\$5 million	6 1987	commercial, industrial, civil, residential general contractor	94 percent 5 percent 0 percent	0 percent 1 percent	Cornerstone Elderly Housing Apartments; Southern Eagle Budweiser distributor; WalMart distribution center fueling expansion; 527 Conti Street facade renovation	Warren L. Poche' president
Benasco Construction LLC 573 J. F. Smith Ave. Slidell 70460	(985) 960-7777 (985) 607-0193	\$4 million	25 2004	general contractor	20 percent 0 percent 0 percent	20 percent 60 percent	Gulf Coast ThermoBlock Fabrication The Hagan Project Boothville/ Venice Community Center	Tommy Benasco CEO
BEI General Contractors 2530 Lexington Ave. Kenner 70062	712-0234 467-5234	\$4 million	7 1992	commercial construction, fast track	100 percent 0 percent 0 percent	0 percent 0 percent	Warren Eaton masonry restoration and window replacement, Liskow and Lewis tenant upgrades, St. Bernard Civic Center	Tara O'Meallie president
Conbeth Inc. 72052 Hickory St. or P.O. Box 940 Abita Springs 70420	(985) 898-2214 (985) 898-3690	\$4 million	6 1985	construction and development	20 percent 0 percent 0 percent	0 percent 80 percent	Terra Bella traditional development, Willow Bend phase 2	Randy Meyer president
Cragmar Construction LLC 3343 Metairie Road, Suite 7 Metairie 70001	218-4410 218-4416	\$4 million	3 2004	custom homes, renovations, light commercial	0 percent 0 percent 0 percent	0 percent 100 percent	Adams, Bryan, Burke, DellaCroche, Holtzman, Lu, Marino, Tran, Vezina residences	Craig Martin Sr. member
Wolfman Construction 4817 Prytania St. New Orleans 70115	684-4465 (866) 351-4127	\$2 million	4 1999	commerical, residential	60 percent 10 percent 0 percent	0 percent 40 percent	Wolfe Law Firm, Bywater restaurant, Family Dollar and several residential homes	Scott Wolfe Sr. president
Olympic Construction LLC 3000 18th St. Metairie 70002	849-0012 833-2843	\$1 million	20 2005	new construction, general construction, residential construction, commercial construction, cofing, siding, drywall, insulation, structure, masonry, painting, wall covering, framing, carpentry, tile, terrazzo, site prep, single family homes, debris removal, demolition, industrial foundation, dirt hauling, repairs, trucking, flooring, project management, logistics, fencing, maintenance, renovation	90 percent 0 percent 0 percent	0 percent 10 percent	Elmwood Homes Subdivision; Indiana Homes Subdivision; Orleans Place Subdivision; William Hart Elementary; Edna Karr High School; Delgado Community College	Maurice Hurst president

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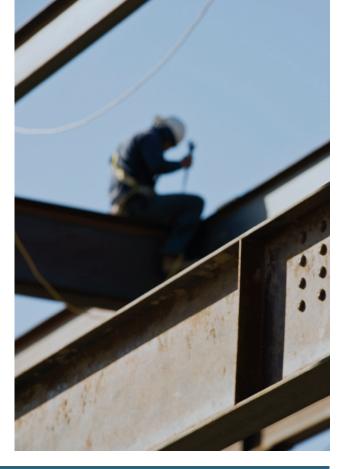
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