

CAPITAL PROGRAM REPORT



AUBURN
FACILITIES MANAGEMENT

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ABOUT THIS REPORT

Auburn University Facilities Management oversees a diverse range of projects in Auburn and across the state. The Capital Program Report provides details on projects of varying scales, with a special focus on those exceeding \$5 million, offering insights into their current status. It covers the entire lifespan of these projects, from design to construction to occupancy.

ABOUT FACILITIES MANAGEMENT

Our mission is to provide highly responsive and quality support services to build and maintain the facilities, grounds and infrastructure of campus. We strive to be a client-focused organization, one that is dedicated to serving our many clients throughout the Auburn University portfolio across the state. Our goal is to be a value-added partner to our clients.

We employ more than 450 talented professionals who are responsible for the coordination of construction, maintenance and infrastructure of Auburn's campus. We have an in-house team of architects, engineers, construction managers, interior designers, skilled craftsman and custodial service staff who take great pride in delivering high quality and on-time customer service. Learn more at fm.auburn.edu.



The STEM + Agricultural Sciences Complex is scheduled for completion in May. See page 26 for more details.

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KEEPING THE LIGHTS ON:

The story behind Auburn University's 99.99-percent electrical reliability.

By Martha Gentry

"We have had a very smart and forward-thinking group that has helped us design our campus infrastructure to be reliable and resilient. It is built with backups, minimizing the down time and the people affected if we do have an outage."

Rob Engle, director of Utilities and Energy

Just after 5 p.m. on what should have been a routine fall afternoon at Neville Arena, fans were filing in for senior night at the women's volleyball game versus Texas when the unexpected happened: the lights went out.

Twenty five percent of campus, including Neville Arena and traffic signals along South Donahue Drive, suddenly went dark.

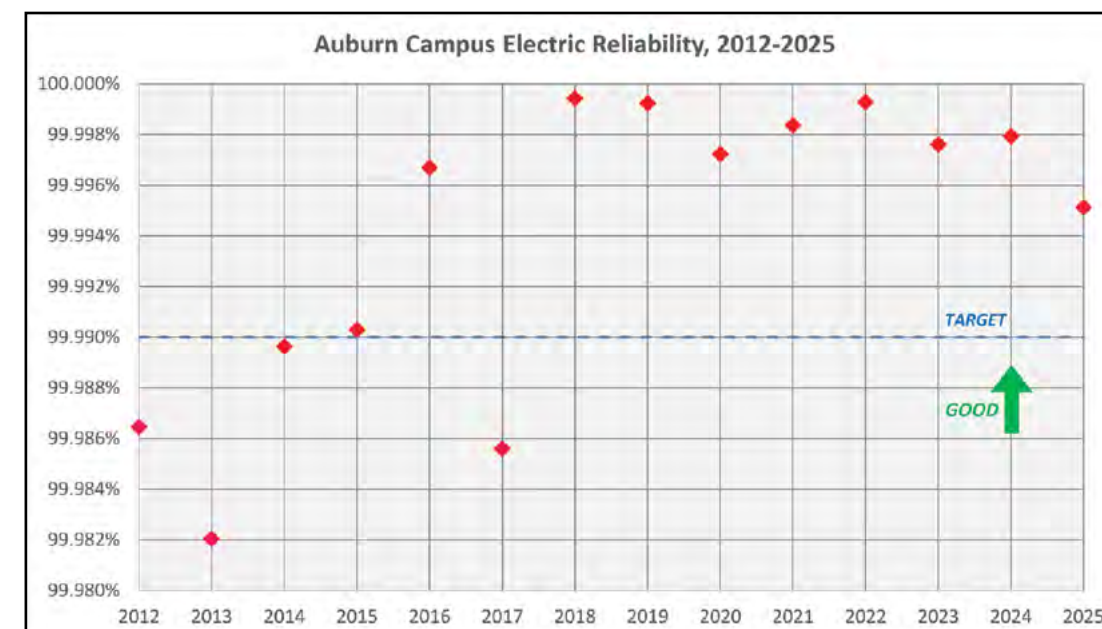
Immediately, Facilities Management's Utilities and Energy Department personnel began to receive texts and emails from the electronic notification system. Facilities' outage alerts then began going out to key contacts within the buildings affected, and line workers who had headed home for the day turned around and returned to campus.

By 6:10 p.m., about an hour after the initial failure and just 10 minutes past the scheduled serve at Neville, the lights were back on. The match went on. Most fans never knew how close the university came to canceling an SEC sporting event.

And that is the point. Outages like this are rare, but when they occur, they are resolved in a timely manner. This allows the university to be able to fulfill its mission in a safe, comfortable and fully-powered environment.

stalls," said Rob Engle, director of Facilities Management's Utilities and Energy Department. "That is why Auburn's electrical reliability isn't just a technical metric; it's a foundational measure of how dependably the university can function."

Today, Auburn delivers electricity to campus with 99.99-percent reliability. This "four-nines" level of reliability equates to less than 52 minutes of unplanned outages per year campus-wide. That number is an industry gold standard, but it doesn't happen by accident.



WHAT ELECTRICAL RELIABILITY REALLY MEANS

For most of us, "electrical reliability" means lights, Wi-Fi, and heating and cooling systems that work when we need them. For Auburn's Utilities and Energy team, it means something deeper:

Can Auburn operate?

Can classes continue, research stay protected and campus life run normally?

"If a building loses power, classes stop. Labs could lose critical research. Equipment faults cascade. The university's mission

A SYSTEM DECADES IN THE MAKING

Auburn does not generate its own electricity. Alabama Power delivers high voltage electricity to three campus connection points—the Hemlock and Duncan substations serving main campus, and a dedicated feed for the College of Veterinary Medicine. From those points inward, everything else—lines, switches, transformers and the distribution network—belongs to the university, and is the responsibility of Facilities Management.



John Askew, Ruffin Duncan and Wesley Burt install a new voltage regulator at the Hemlock substation.

Auburn’s internal grid was designed with two guiding principles:

1. Build it underground whenever possible.

Unlike above ground systems vulnerable to storms, animals and tree limbs, Auburn’s underground distribution grid dramatically reduces outage risks.

2. Build it reliably.

If a single line or piece of equipment fails, the system can be “re-fed” from another direction.

“We have had a very smart and forward-thinking group that has helped us design our campus infrastructure to be reliable and resilient. It is built with backups, minimizing the down time and the people affected if we do have an outage,” Engle said.

This design allowed crews during the Neville Arena outage to move the impacted circuit from one side of the substation to the other, restoring power in about an hour, most of which was the drive time of line workers returning to campus.

“Building that capacity took decades of planning,” Engle said. “You can’t oversell the value of the people who came before us.”

THE PEOPLE BEHIND THE POWER

If the electrical system is Auburn’s backbone, the electrical distribution team is its beating heart. Auburn’s electrical distribution team has six highly-trained and certified high-voltage line workers who maintain and repair the campus’ entire internal grid.

“These are our first responders,” Engle said. “They are going out on campus and saving the day during an outage by troubleshooting the problem, figuring out a solution and executing the plan to bring power back up.”

If you ask the electrical distribution team, they’ll tell you they don’t need recognition, but they deserve it.

When outages happen, they’re the ones driving back to campus. They’re the ones opening cabinets in the dark, repairing damaged equipment, rerouting circuits and

bringing buildings back online so students, faculty, fans, researchers and staff can do what they came here to do.

“Someone on our crew is on call after normal work hours each day of the week. If severe weather is predicted, or even if it’s not, we do our best to maintain our utility trucks, portable generators, high voltage tools, other equipment and materials to make any necessary repairs day or night,” said Keith Nall, supervisor of electrical distribution.

Their work is technical, physical, dangerous and mostly invisible. That is precisely because they are so good at it; outages are rare and brief.

“Usually, people don’t know we exist until the power goes out,” Nall said. “We are like the fire department. We might not get a call, but when we do, we all know we must resolve the problem as quickly as possible so that research and classes can continue.”

Every minute of every day, their work helps keep Auburn’s lights glowing, research running, fans cheering and classrooms humming.

PREVENTING PROBLEMS BEFORE THEY HAPPEN

The university’s reliability isn’t just about fixing outages—it’s about preventing them.

“The preventive maintenance program is one reason our electrical reliability is so high,” said Ken Martin, Facilities Management’s director of Client Relations and former director of Utilities and Energy.

Every year, the electrical distribution team:

- **Inspects transformer cabinets across campus.**
- **Checks for animal interference.**
- **Performs infrared thermal scans.**
- **Retires and replaces aging equipment.**

“We also partner with Alabama Power to keep the trees and brush clear of power lines,” Martin said. “They will fly helicopters over their lines to conduct infrared scanning. Since our lines are fed by theirs, they will share if they see any abnormalities that could affect our reliability.”

PLANNING FOR AUBURN’S CONTINUING GROWTH

Auburn’s campus continues to grow, and because of that, Utilities and Energy works continually with Facilities’ Planning, Design and Construction team to forecast future electrical demand to make sure the system can keep up with growth.

“We are always working to keep our system youthful and reliable,” said Ryan Landry, assistant director of Utilities and Energy. “We also continue to look ahead and plan for the future.”

Auburn’s 99.99-percent reliability isn’t luck.

It’s design.
It’s planning.
It’s constant maintenance.

And it’s the work of a small group of people who quietly keep the university running, no matter what.



Maintaining Auburn’s power lines. From left: James “Ruffin” Duncan and Scott Morgan



Auburn's electrical distribution team keeps campus powered day and night. From left: Jonathan "Scott" Morgan, John Askew, James "Ruffin" Duncan, Keith Nall, Steven Neighbors and Wesley Burt.

QUARTERLY CONSTRUCTION MARKET CONDITIONS

2026 Q1

There is currently more stability in our regional construction industry as tariffs have calmed for the most part and material prices have stabilized for most items. Labor shortages persist with more aggressive immigration enforcement, but supply chain issues are less frequent. Interest rates are still having some effect on private industry construction activity, but overall construction spending is steady.

SPECIFIC CONSTRUCTION CONDITIONS:

LABOR SHORTAGES

- The labor shortages in construction remain acute with a current estimated nationwide shortage of skilled trade construction workers. The demand is particularly high for skilled craftsmen such as carpenters, electricians, plumbers and HVAC journeymen.
- The Southeast U.S. has the highest construction labor shortages in the country.
- In Auburn, the shortage is particularly acute in the electrical, HVAC, plumbing and building control trades. Shortages in these areas are limiting bidders for some projects that do proceed. Our larger projects are drawing some new subcontractor bidders from Atlanta, Birmingham and other large cities.
- Aggressive immigration enforcements are reducing the number of Hispanic workers in segments of construction in the Southeast U.S., which sometimes account for up to 25 percent of our trade workers.
- Skilled labor for concrete, masonry, roofing, drywall and acoustic work are continuing to feel the impact of increased immigration enforcement.
- As undocumented labor personnel are removed from the market, documented workers are still seeking and securing higher pay.

- All the above are causing labor wages and overall project construction costs to continue to rise.

MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT/SUPPLY CHAINS AND TARIFFS

- Availability for most material commodities and equipment has improved with supply chains and delivery times returning closer to pre-pandemic levels.
- Major electrical and mechanical equipment still have longer lead items of up to six to eight months. This is much better than the previous 12- to 18-month lead times,from 2022-2024.
- Yearly price increases are anticipated at the start of 2026 but not predicted to be major on most materials. Steel prices are expecting an increase soon, as well as aluminum and drywall. Copper prices are one of the most volatile items, up 41 percent due in part to the large amount of data centers being built to accommodate the AI sector.
- The impact of tariffs has somewhat stabilized for construction materials, which is allowing some private developers to proceed with planned projects, while others are still holding.
- Auburn University Facilities Management is still ordering materials and equipment as early as possible, in some cases as design is still underway, to maintain delivery times that meet our planned construction schedules.

CONSTRUCTION INFLATION

- Construction inflation costs, particularly in key sectors, remain higher than the overall core inflation rate.
- Higher construction inflation is being driven both by continuing labor shortages and by the increased costs of some key materials.

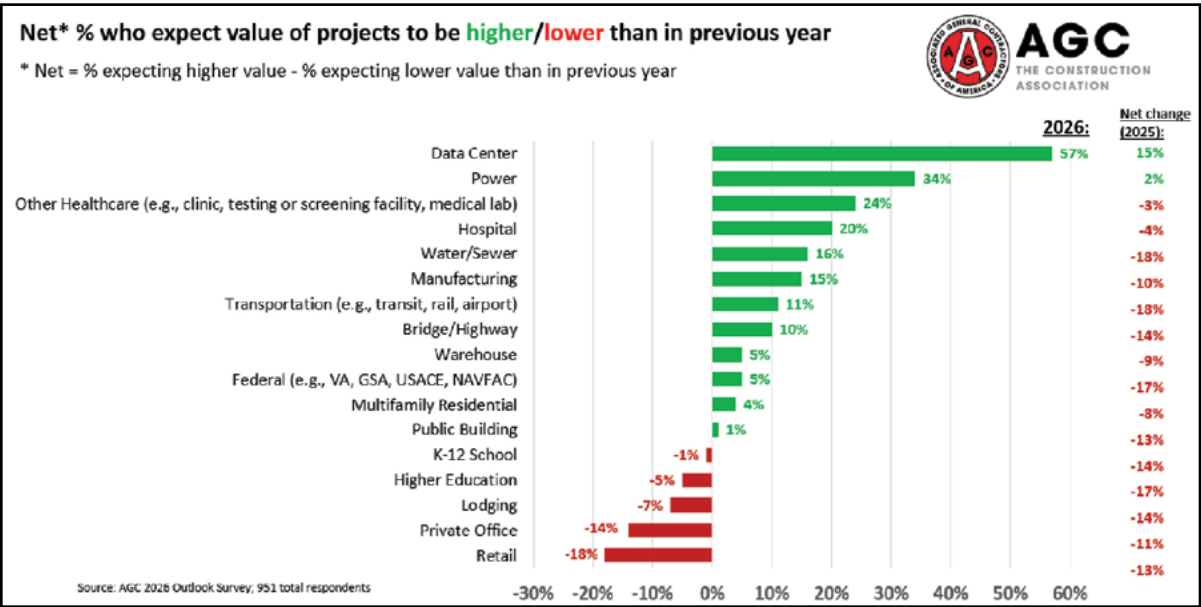
- Because of these factors, overall construction inflation continues to run 0.5- to 0.75-percent per month.
- To account for this inflation, Facilities Management continues to add appropriate escalation factors to project budget estimates.

LOCAL MARKET CONDITIONS

- Our last two substantial capital projects have come in below our planned budgets by approximately 10 percent. In cases like this, the funds are maintained with the project until such time as they may be returned to the capital program to address other needs, at the discretion of the president.
- Some local private construction projects remain on hold waiting for less material price uncertainty and lower interest rates. However, the amount of public work in our area has been picking up since fall 2025.
- Local medium-sized general contractors, those handling project sizes \$1 million to \$15 million, need more work now. We are seeing large numbers of bidders on our projects in this size range. However, some expect more work to come out in this size in the first and second quarters of 2026.

- Large, local, general contractors remain busy with projects from \$15 million to \$80 million, but as some jobs conclude in the first half of 2026, several will seek new large projects in early to mid-2026. We are currently seeing three to five bidders in this range.

- Major mechanical and electrical subcontractors are currently busy but have room for some additional work. Other trade subcontractors are needing more work and are actively looking for and bidding all that they can.
- There are some large public projects scheduled to bid in our area throughout the next two quarters. Because of that, the timing and advertising of Auburn University bids will be adjusted accordingly to ensure the best pricing on our projects.
- Currently, major local general contractors and subcontractors are tracking upcoming Auburn University projects and hope to bid all that are in their size range.
- Facilities Management will continue aggressively soliciting and prequalifying general contractors and recruiting key subcontractors to ensure numerous bidders, and the enhanced possibility of projects coming in below budget.
- Facilities Management is continuing to expand its contractor pool by advertising and recruiting firms new to Auburn University for future work.



PROJECTS \$500K - \$1M

DESIGN

- Auburn University Raptor Center - Renovation of Mew Isolation Building *(Caldwell Architects)*
- CASIC Building - Room 371, Convert into Wetlab *(CMH Architects)*
- Leach Science Center - Room 1317A, Renovate Lab *(CDFL Architects)*
- Lowder Hall - Classrooms, Replace Lighting with LED Lights and Add Sprinkler System *(Inox Design)*
- Parkerson Mill Greenway - Phase IV *(Goodwyn Mills Cawood)*
- The Hotel at Auburn University & Dixon Conference Center - Pool and Pool Deck Renovation *(LDDBlueLine)*
- Tichenor Hall - Multiple Rooms, New Office Layouts *(CDFL Architects)*
- Vaughan LAT Hospital - Room 1118, Modify for CT Scanner *(Stacy Norman Architects)*

CONSTRUCTION

- Biological Research Facility - Convert from Steam to Campus Hot Water System *(Bradley Plumbing & Heating)*
- Cater Hall - Building Envelope Repairs *(MMC Contracting)*
- Chemistry Building - Replace Roof and Sealant Repairs *(Roof Technology Partners)*
- Chemistry Building - Rooms 134 and 151, Replace Carpet *(J.A. Lett Construction)*
- Foy Hall - Suite 189, Replace AHU-1 *(Associated Mechanical Contractors)*
- Jule Collins Smith Museum of Fine Art - Exterior Envelope Repairs *(J.A. Lett Construction)*
- Plainsman Park Rehab Center - Renovate Second Floor *(J.A. Lett Construction)*
- Samford Hall - Building Wide, Fire Alarm System Upgrades *(Electrical Technicians)*
- The Hotel at Auburn University & Dixon Conference Center - Renovate Laundry Room *(Carlisle Construction)*
- Wilmore Laboratories - Exhaust Stacks, Repair Flashing and Roof System *(Roof Technology Partners)*

OCCUPIED

- Extension Hall - Dedicated Outdoor Air Systems *(J.A. Lett Construction / Associated Mechanical Contractors)*

STARTED THIS ACADEMIC YEAR

7
PROJECTS

\$5.1
MILLION

41,246
SQUARE FEET

COMPLETED THIS ACADEMIC YEAR

9
PROJECTS

\$6.6
MILLION

32,976
SQUARE FEET

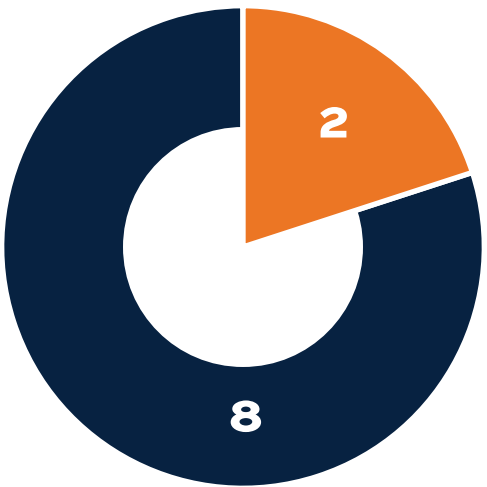
UNDER CONSTRUCTION

10
PROJECTS

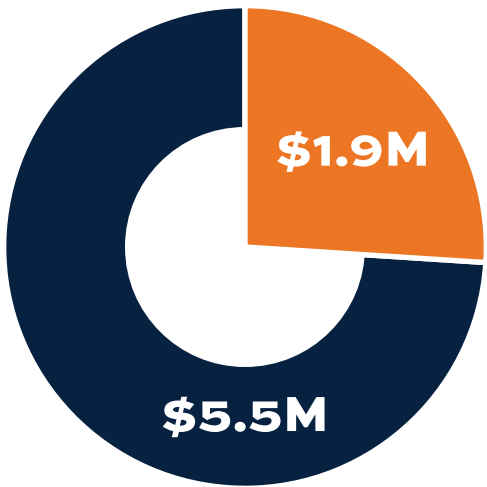
\$7.5
MILLION

105,219
SQUARE FEET

NUMBER OF PROJECTS
THAT ARE RENOVATIONS



DOLLARS SPENT
ON RENOVATIONS



RENOVATION
PROJECTS

NON-RENOVATION
PROJECTS

PROJECTS \$1M - \$5M

DESIGN

- Auburn University Medical Clinic - Install Emergency Generator *(Dell Consulting)*
- Bee Center - New Support Building *(JMR+H Architecture)*
- Beef Cattle Evaluation Center - Replacement Barn *(Payne Design Group Architects)*
- CADC Rural Studio - Red Barn Comprehensive Renovation *(ArchitectureWorks)*
- Central Dining Commons - Create a Mini Food Hall *(McMillan Pazdan Smith)*
- Foy Hall - Relocate Campus Dining Kitchen to Existing Service Kitchen *(Stacy Norman Architects)*
- Jordan-Hare Stadium - East Upper Level, Replace Sanitary Lines *(Conway and Owen)*
- Jordan-Hare Stadium - Extend South Main Concourse *(LBYD)*
- Jordan-Hare Stadium - South Endzone and Southeast Corner Masterplan *(Kadre Engineering)*
- Lambert-Powell Meats Lab - Replace Rack System *(Stacy Norman Architects)*
- Neville Arena - Roof Evaluation and Repair *(Raymond Global)*
- Plainsman Park - Field Renovation *(HNP Landscape Architects)*
- Recreation and Wellness Sportsplex Complex - New Support Building *(SS&L Architects)*
- Transformation Gardens Phase II - Aquaponics Greenhouse *(ArchitectureWorks)*
- Upchurch Hall - Dormer and Shingle Roof Replacement *(Inox Design)*
- Village Residence Halls - Mechanical Upgrades Phase V *(Williams Blackstock Architects)*
- Wire Road Sidewalk from Lem Morrison Drive to West Samford Avenue *(Kimley Horn)*
- Woltosz Football Performance Center - Renovate Multi Purpose Room *(Goodwyn Mills Cawood)*

CONSTRUCTION

- Auburn University Regional Airport - New Corporate Hangar at East Ramp *(Matthes Parker)*
- Cambridge Residence Hall - Building Demolition *(Whatley Construction)*
- Lowder Hall - Suite 101, Refurbishment *(J.A. Lett Construction)*
- Miller Poultry Center - Battery House, HVAC System Repairs *(Bradley Plumbing & Heating)*
- Miller Poultry Center - Hatchery, HVAC Upgrades to Support New Incubators *(Bradley Plumbing & Heating)*
- Miller Poultry Center - Processing Plant, HVAC System Repairs *(Bradley Plumbing & Heating)*
- RBD Library and Mell Classroom Building - Roof Replacement, Phase III *(Roof Technology Partners)*
- Transformation Gardens Phase I - Children's Garden *(J.A. Lett Construction)*

OCCUPIED

- Melton Student Center - Patio Renovation *(Williams Blackstock Architects / Gamble Winter Construction)*
- Melton Student Center - Patio Renovation AV and FFE *(Electrical Technicians)*
- Neville Arena - Weight Room, Expansion and Renovation *(Goodwyn Mills Cawood / Batson-Cook Company)*
- Recreation and Wellness Center - AV Upgrades *(J&A Engineering / Electrical Technicians)*

STARTED THIS ACADEMIC YEAR

3
PROJECTS

\$6.4
MILLION

4,784
SQUARE FEET

COMPLETED THIS ACADEMIC YEAR

7
PROJECTS

\$16.1
MILLION

36,470
SQUARE FEET

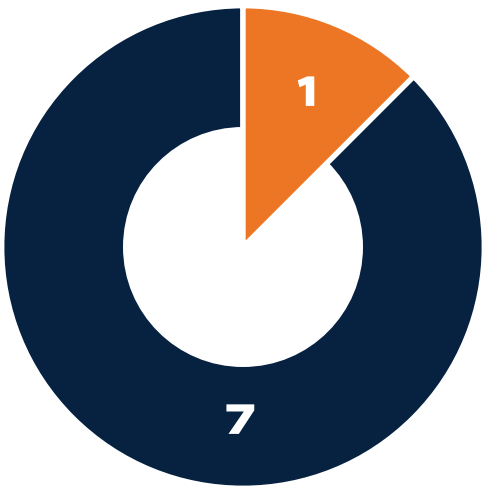
UNDER CONSTRUCTION

8
PROJECTS

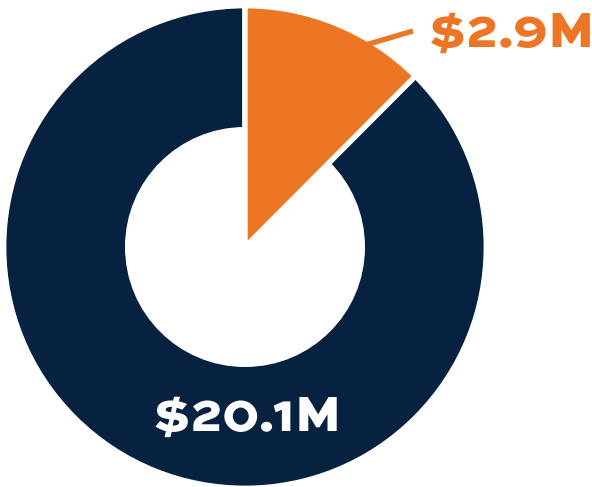
\$23
MILLION

145,491
SQUARE FEET

NUMBER OF PROJECTS
THAT ARE RENOVATIONS



DOLLARS SPENT
ON RENOVATIONS



RENOVATION
PROJECTS

NON-RENOVATION
PROJECTS

PROJECTS \$5M+

PRE-DESIGN

Auburn University Montgomery Locker Room
Haley Center Comprehensive Evaluation

DESIGN

Barbara Drummond Thorne Academic and Research Facility *(Perkins&Will)*
Brown-Kopel Engineering Student Achievement Center Analytical, Innovation and Manufacturing Laboratory *(Caldwell Architects)*
College of Agriculture Research Unit - E.V. Smith, Chilton, Brewton and Autaugaville, Build Offices *(JMR+H Architecture)*
Davis Aerospace Engineering Hall - Roof Replacement and Envelope Restoration *(Stacy Norman Architects)*
East Thach Residence Hall *(Williams Blackstock Architects)*
Jordan-Hare Stadium North Endzone Multi-Use Facility *(HOK Architects)*
Quad Residence Halls Renovation Phase III: Keller and Owen Halls *(Davis Architects)*
Solon Dixon Dorm Replacement *(SS&L Architects)*

CONSTRUCTION

Auburn University Regional Airport Air Traffic Control Tower *(Stone Building)*
Auburn University Applied Research Institute *(Turner Construction)*
Comer Hall Comprehensive Renovation *(Bailey-Harris Construction)*
Gulf Coast Engineering Research Station *(Persons Services Corporation)*
New University Student Housing - Phase I *(Rabren General Contractors)*
STEM + Agricultural Sciences Complex *(Hoar Construction)*

BOARD APPROVED THIS ACADEMIC YEAR

5
PROJECTS

\$243.2
MILLION

367,000
SQUARE FEET

COMPLETED THIS ACADEMIC YEAR

6
PROJECTS

\$83.5
MILLION

80,320
SQUARE FEET

UNDER CONSTRUCTION

6
PROJECTS

\$391
MILLION

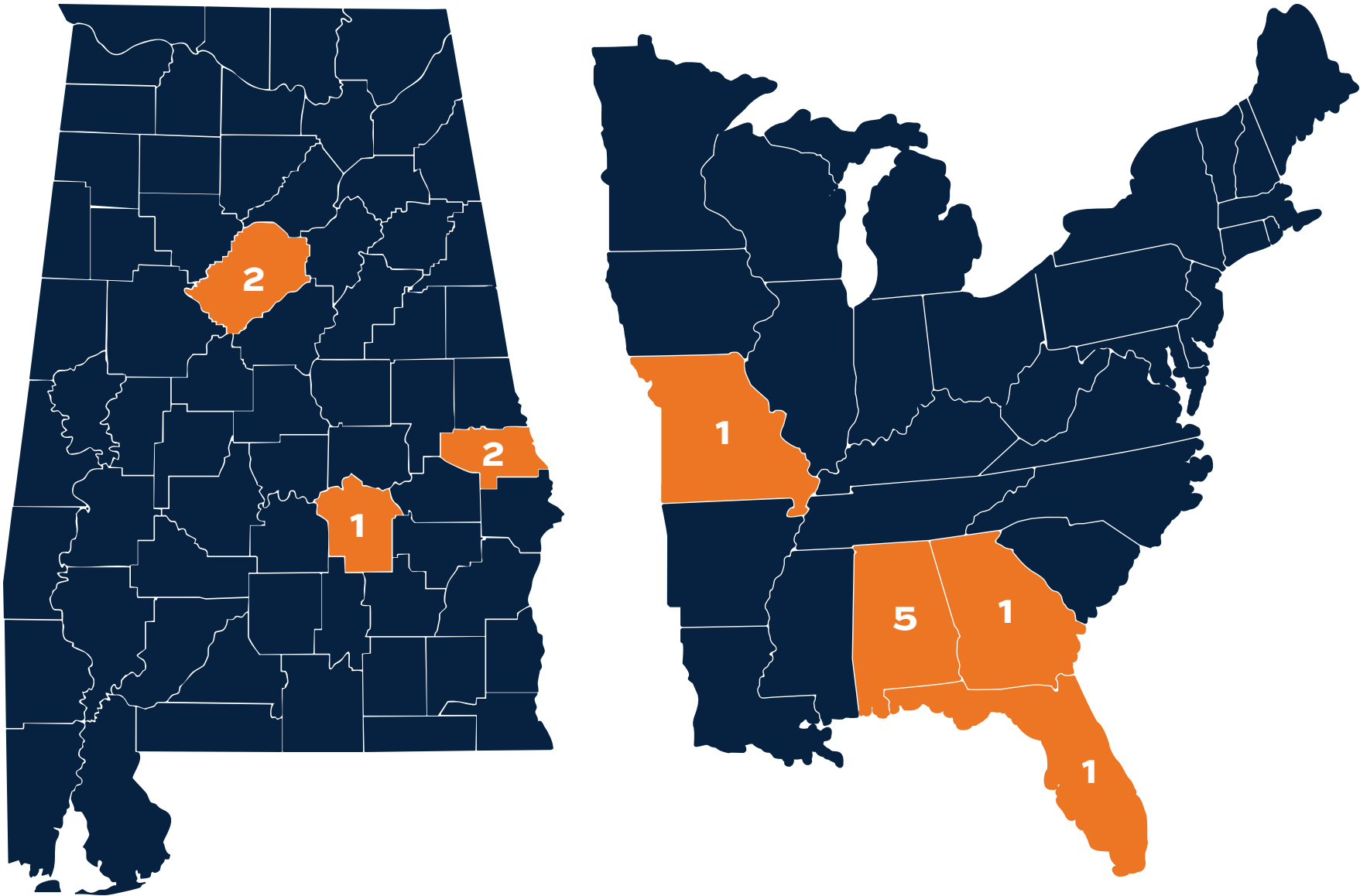
507,387
SQUARE FEET

DESIGN

CONTRACTS BY LOCATION

Architect	# of Projects
Caldwell Architects	1
Davis Architects	1
HOK Architects	1
JMR+H Architecture	1
Perkins&Will	1
SS&L Architects	1
Stacy Norman Architects	1
Williams Blackstock Architects	1

*Names in bold are located in Alabama. Those not in bold are out of state.



8
ARCHITECT
FIRMS

8
CONTRACTS

5
ARCHITECTS IN
ALABAMA

3
ARCHITECTS OUTSIDE
OF ALABAMA

DESIGN
CONSTRUCTION
OCCUPIED

100%
COMPLETE

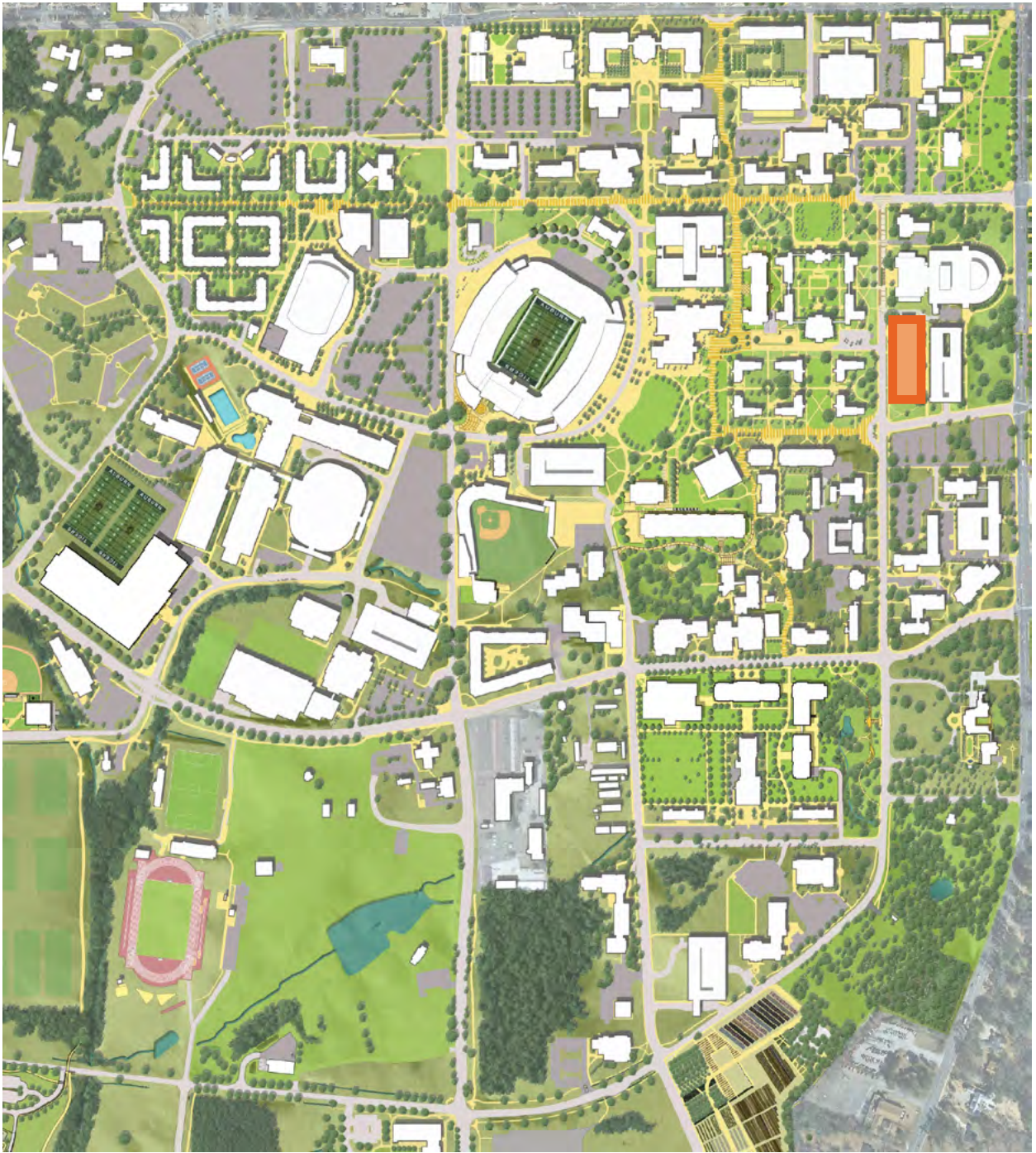
DESIGN

CONSTRUCTION

OCCUPIED

Barbara Drummond Thorne Academic and Research Facility

Client: COLLEGE OF HUMAN SCIENCES



Design completion date:

DECEMBER
2025

Total project cost:

\$100
MILLION

Architect:
PERKINS&WILL

Contractor:
STONE BUILDING

A view of the future Barbara Drummond Thorne Academic and Research Facility.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Barbara Drummond Thorne Academic and Research Facility will be a new four-story, 138,000-square-foot building located at the northeast corner of Mell Street and Roosevelt Drive. Designed to support the College of Human Sciences, it will house teaching spaces, faculty research facilities, laboratories, classrooms, offices and common areas. The project will also allow the college to consolidate its related disciplines into a single, purpose-built location.

The new facility will be located on the former Spidle Hall site.

95%
COMPLETE

Brown-Kopel Engineering Student Achievement Center

Analytical, Innovation and Manufacturing Laboratory

Client: SAMUEL GINN COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING



Design completion date:

FEBRUARY
2026

Total project cost:

TBD

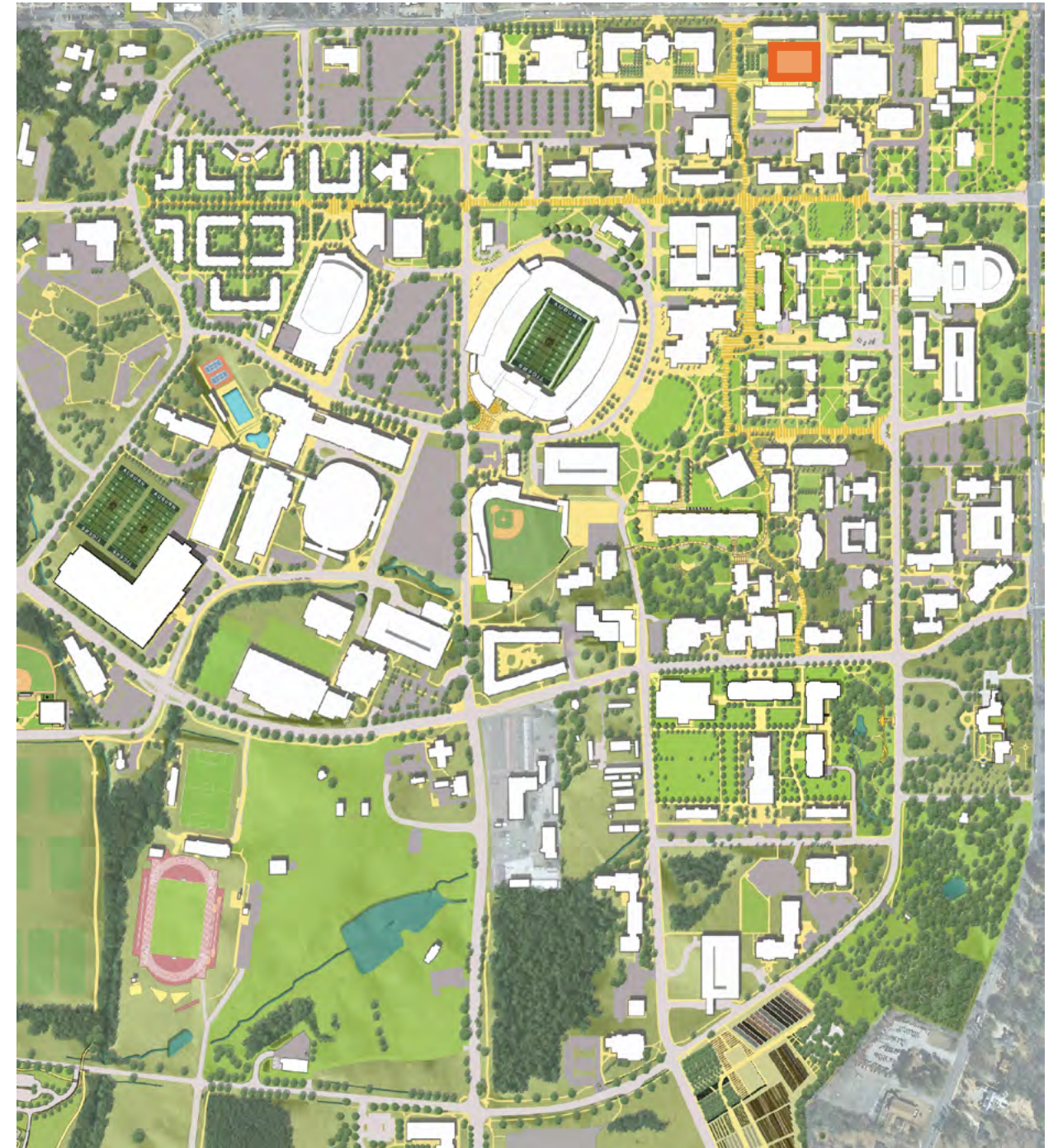
Architect:
**CALDWELL
ARCHITECTS**

Contractor:
TBD

The Analytical, Innovation and Manufacturing Laboratory will be constructed in shell space underneath the Carol Ann Gavin Garden between the Brown-Kopel Student Achievement Center and Gavin Engineering Research Laboratory.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Brown-Kopel Engineering Student Achievement Center Analytical, Innovation and Manufacturing Laboratory project will renovate the remaining 16,000 square feet of unfinished areas to create a cutting-edge facility that will include laboratories concentrated on advanced manufacturing and testing of materials. The project will also provide collaboration and innovation spaces designed to facilitate idea generation and project development, fostering a vibrant ecosystem of entrepreneurship and technological advancement.



The orange box at the top of this map illustrates where the space is located on campus.

DESIGN

90% COMPLETE

CONSTRUCTION

OCCUPIED



Design completion date:

MARCH
2026

Total project cost:

TBD

Architect:
JMR+H
ARCHITECTURE

Contractor:
TBD

A rendering of the new Build Office design for the College of Agriculture Research Units.

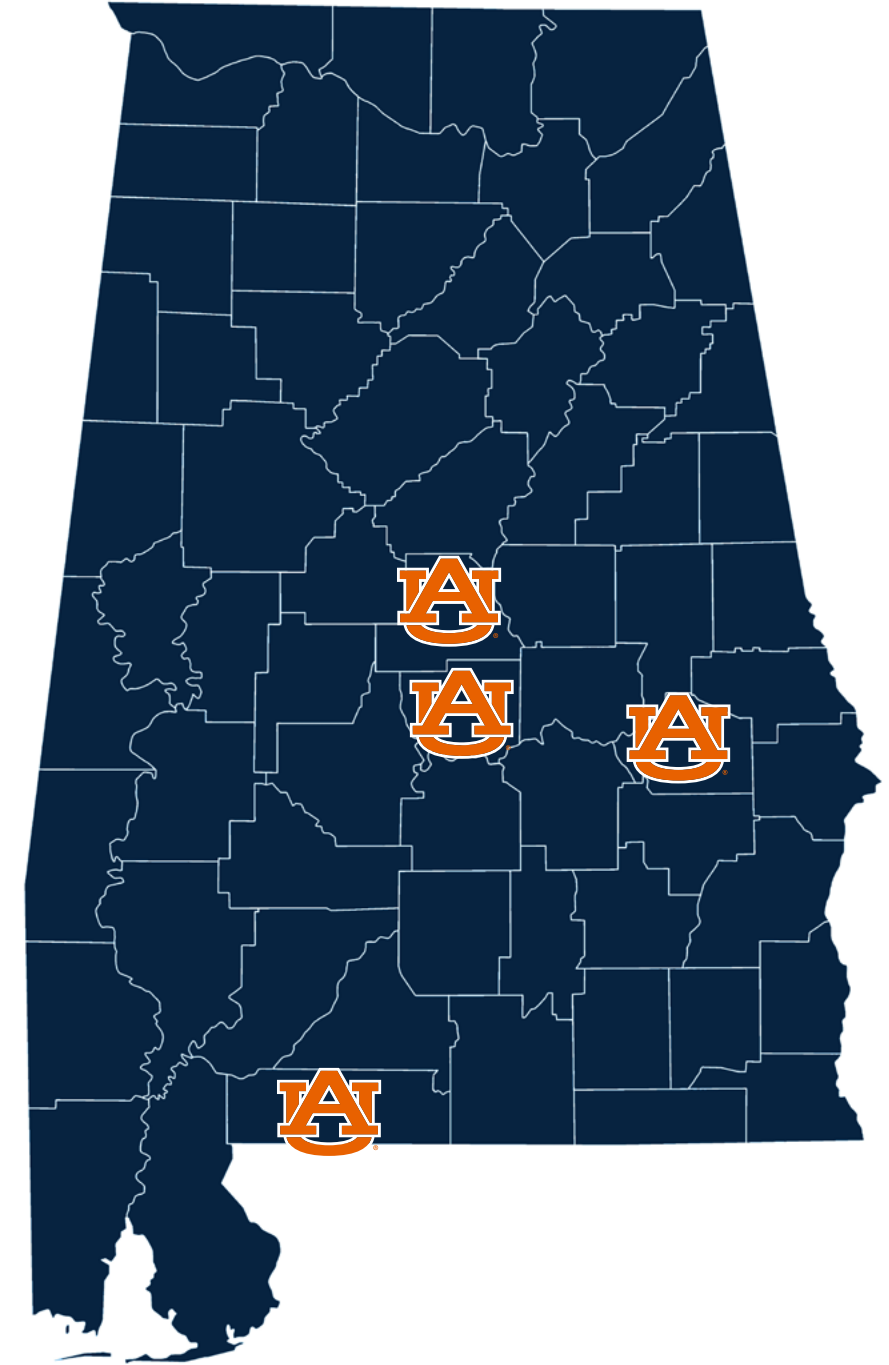
PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station (AAES) has proposed the construction of new support buildings providing laboratories and office space for four outlying units. The College of Agriculture Research Unit project will construct new 2,500-square-foot buildings at the recently purchased property in Autaugaville, the Brewton Agricultural Research Unit in Brewton, the Chilton Research & Extension Center in Clanton and the E.V. Smith Research Center in Shorter.

College of Agriculture Research Unit

E.V. Smith, Chilton, Brewton and Autaugaville, Build Offices

Client: COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE



The College of Agriculture Research Unit project will be located at the recently purchased property in Autaugaville, the Brewton Agricultural Research Unit in Brewton, the Chilton Research & Extension Center in Clanton and the E.V. Smith Research Center in Shorter.

80% COMPLETE

Davis Aerospace Engineering Hall

Roof Replacement and Envelope Restoration

Client: SAMUEL GINN COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING



Design completion date:

APRIL
2026

Total project cost:

TBD

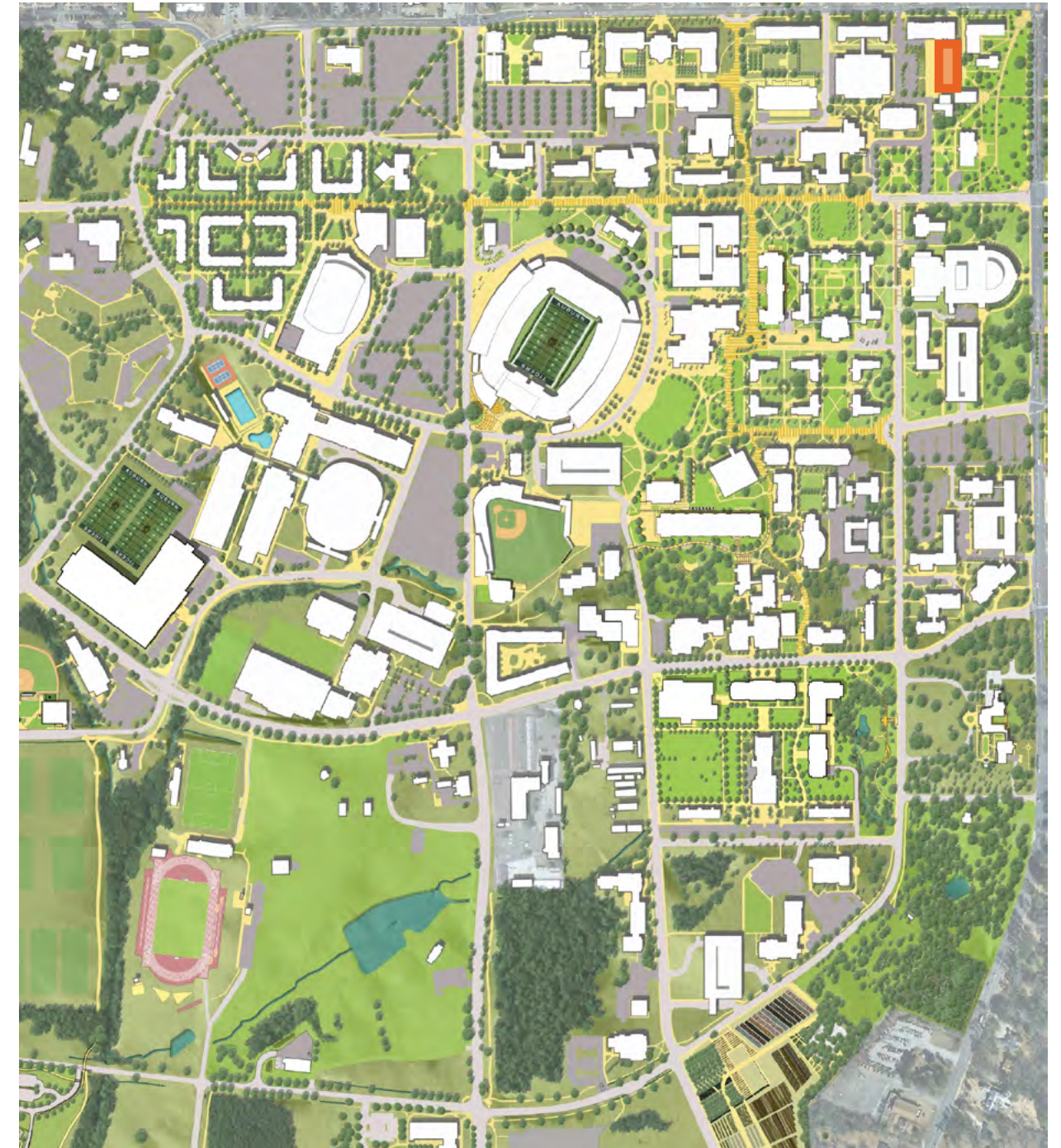
Architect:
**STACY NORMAN
ARCHITECTS**

Contractor:
TBD

The Davis Aerospace Engineering Hall Roof Replacement and Restoration project will address major repairs to the exterior of the building.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Davis Aerospace Engineering Hall Roof Replacement and Envelope Restoration will replace the roof and the entire building envelope, including brick, limestone and windows as a part of the Auburn University Repair and Renovation Program.



The existing building is located south of Harbert Center and north of Langdon Annex.

95% COMPLETE



Design completion date:

FEBRUARY
2026

Total project cost:

\$100
MILLION

Architect:

**WILLIAMS BLACKSTOCK
ARCHITECTS**

Contractor:

TBD

A rendering of the future East Thach Residence Hall.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

The project will construct a six-story, 170,000-square-foot building which will provide 680 new beds for on-campus student living. It will include student living accommodations, laundry facility, mail and package services, student commons, exterior courtyard space, bicycle and scooter parking, waste and recycling service area, and resident assistant living accommodations. The new residence hall will maximize the opportunity for student housing in this prime location, providing a safe and convenient setting for students to engage with the heart of campus, the Rane Culinary Arts Center and nearby amenities. The proposed demolition of the existing structure began in January and will be followed by the new construction.

East Thach Residence Hall

Client: STUDENT AFFAIRS



The orange box (top right) indicates the facility's location behind The Hotel at Auburn University & Dixon Conference Center.

DESIGN
CONSTRUCTION
OCCUPIED

45%
COMPLETE

Jordan-Hare Stadium North End Zone Multi-Use Facility

Client: STUDENT AFFAIRS/ATHLETICS



Design completion date:

OCTOBER
2026

Total project cost:

TBD

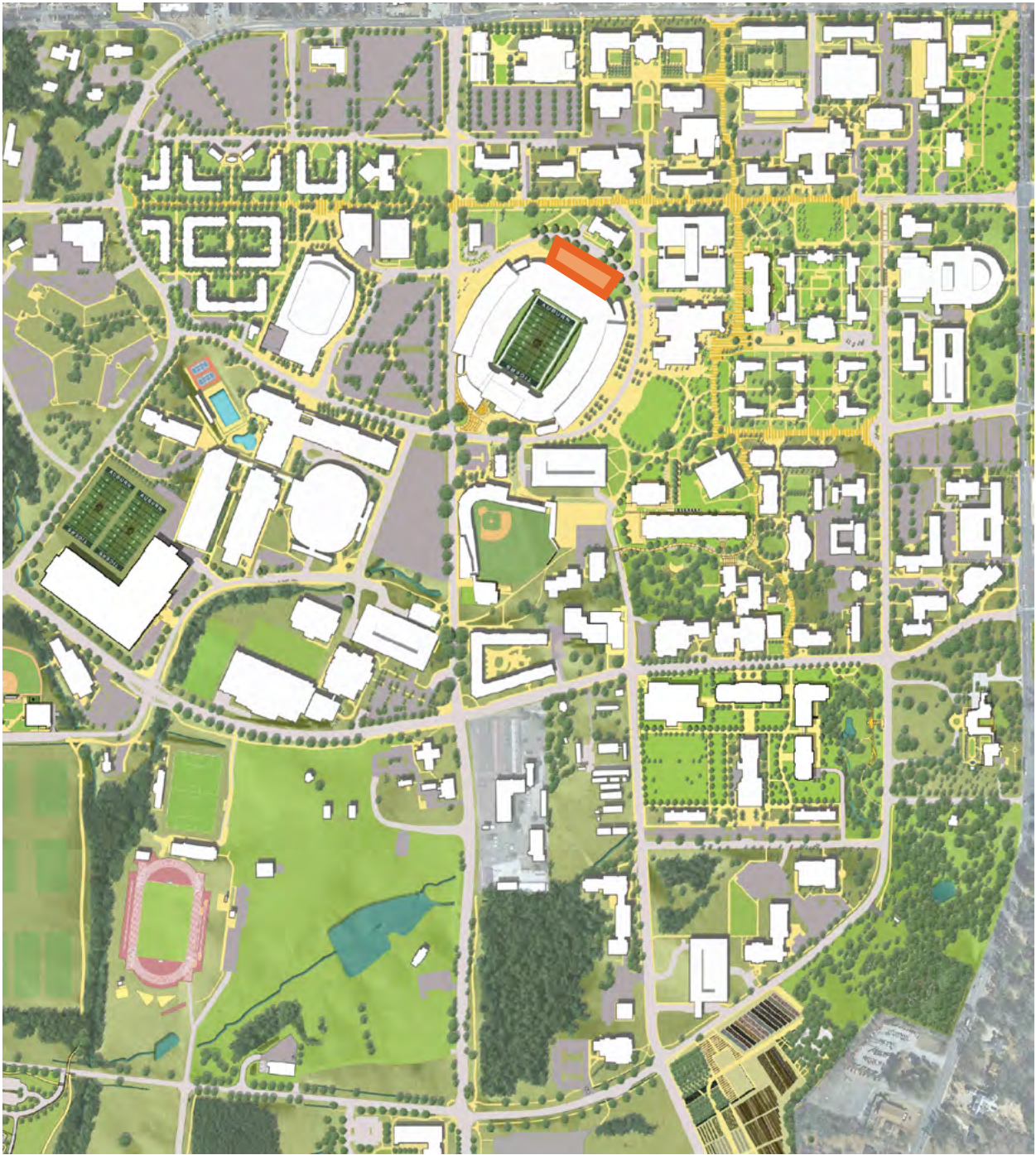
Architect:
HOK
ARCHITECTS

Contractor:
TBD

The multi-use facility is designed to integrate seamlessly with the new north end zone videoboard, enhancing functionality.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Jordan-Hare Stadium North End Zone Multi-Use Facility project will provide modern amenities in a space students will be able to utilize year-round. These include student activity spaces, versatile conference rooms and meeting rooms, as well as future shell space.



The location of the multi-use facility is marked by the orange box in this map.

95%
COMPLETE

Quad Residence Halls Renovation Phase III: Keller and Owen Halls

Client: STUDENT AFFAIRS



Design completion date:

FEBRUARY
2025

Total project cost:

\$28.5
MILLION

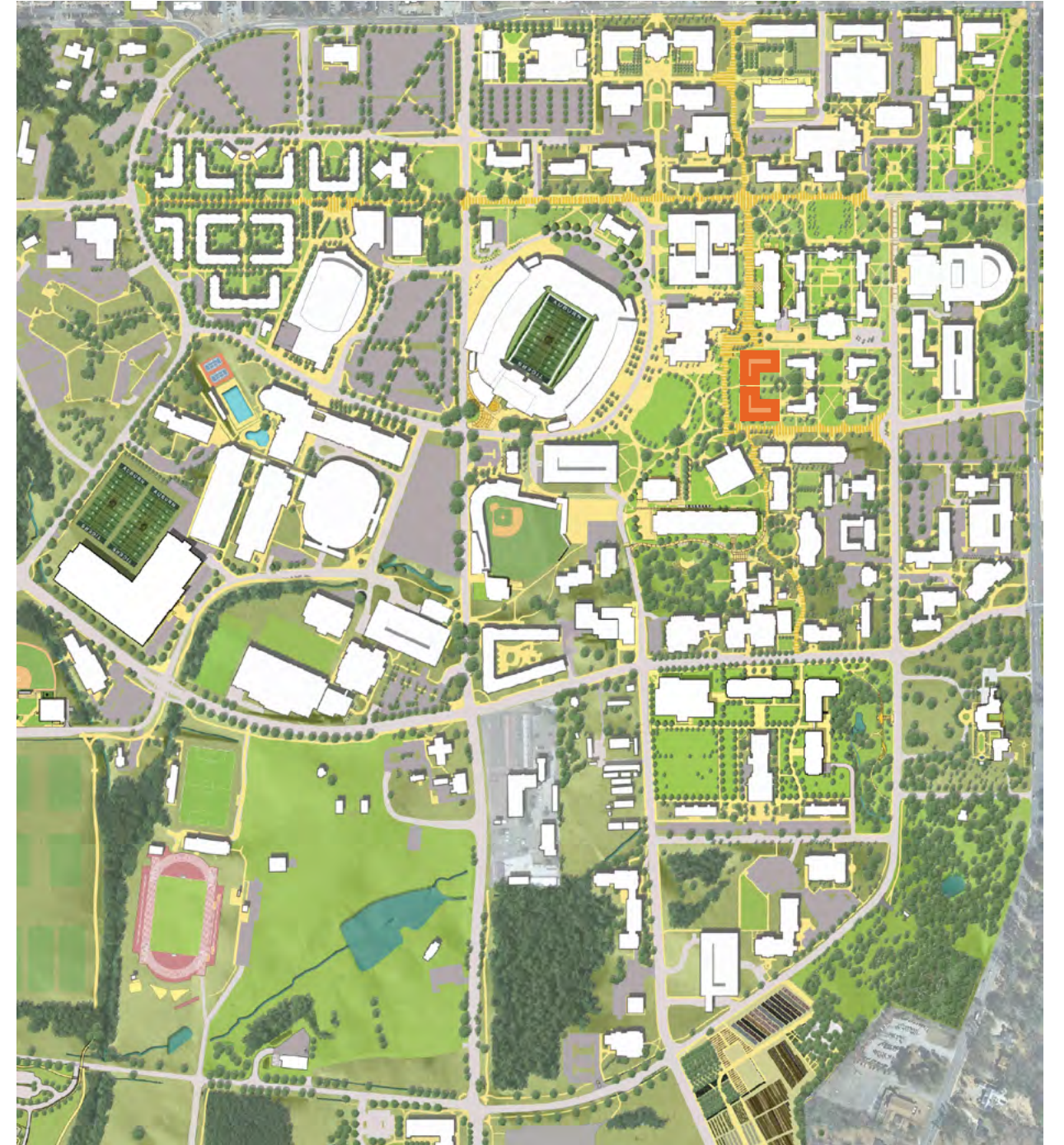
Architect:
DAVIS ARCHITECTS

Contractor:
TBD

The Quad Residence Halls Renovation Phase III project will renovate Keller and Owen halls located in the Lower Quad.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Quad Residence Halls Renovation Phase III project will renovate approximately 47,728 square feet of existing interior and exterior space located in Keller and Owen halls. Renovations will include replacing mechanical, electrical, plumbing and HVAC systems; upgrades to furnishings and fixtures; renovations to meet current ADA code requirements; replacing all windows and doors, and utility improvements to connect the facility to the campus hot water system.



The two halls are located adjacent to the Melton Student Center and the construction site for the New University Student Housing project.

95%
COMPLETE

Solon Dixon Dorm Replacement

Client: COLLEGE OF FORESTRY, WILDLIFE AND ENVIRONMENT



Design completion date:

FEBRUARY
2026

Total project cost:

\$5.7
MILLION

Architect:

SS&L
ARCHITECTS

Contractor:

TBD

A rendering of the Solon Dixon Dorm Replacement.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Solon Dixon Dorm Replacement project will replace two existing dorms constructed in 1979 and enable the Solon Dixon Forestry Education Center to expand its capacity as well as provide more modern and comfortable accommodations for students and visitors to the center.



Solon Dixon is located in Andalusia, Alabama.

CONSTRUCTION

CONTRACTS BY LOCATION

Contractor	# of Projects	Budget
Bailey-Harris Construction	1	\$40,000,000
Hoar Construction	1	\$224,000,000
Persons Services Corporation	1	\$14,000,000
Rabren General Contractors	1	\$80,000,000
Stone Building	1	\$9,000,000
Turner Construction	1	\$24,000,000

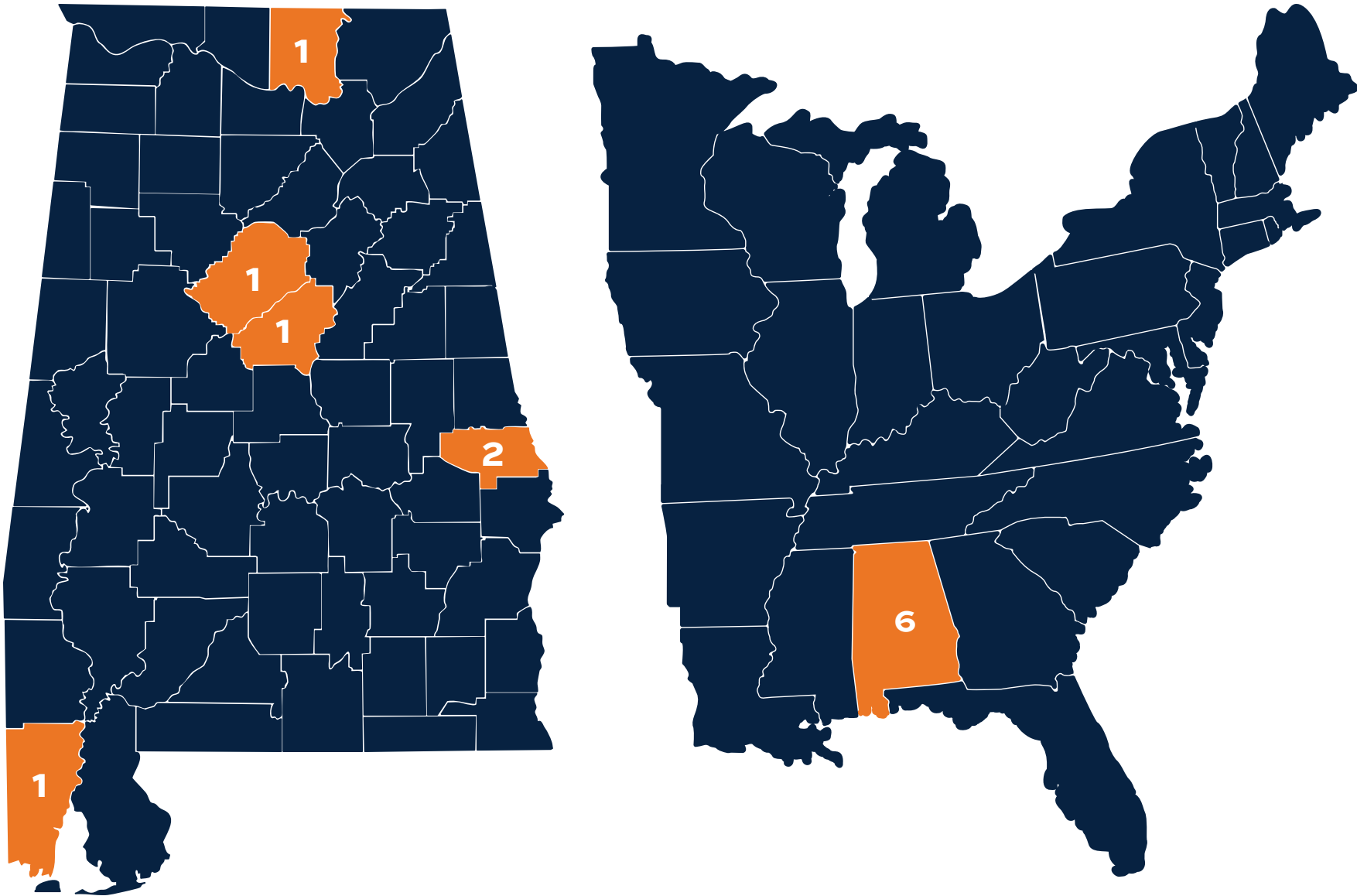
*Names in bold are located in Alabama. Those not in bold are out of state.

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OUTSIDE OF ALABAMA





Capital Projects Construction Sites: Main Campus

1. Comer Hall Comprehensive Renovation
2. New University Student Housing – Phase I
3. STEM + Agricultural Sciences Complex
4. Cambridge Residence Hall - Building Demolition
5. Transformation Gardens Phase I - Children's Garden

Off Campus:

1. Auburn University Regional Airport Air Traffic Control Tower
2. Auburn University Applied Research Institute, Huntsville, Alabama
3. Gulf Coast Engineering Research Station, Orange Beach, Alabama

25%
COMPLETE

Auburn University Regional Airport Air Traffic Control Tower

Client: ADMINISTRATIVE EFFECTIVENESS



Completion date:
OCTOBER
2026

Total project cost:
\$9
MILLION

Architect:
BARGE DESIGN GROUP

Contractor:
STONE BUILDING

Site work and utilities are nearing completion. The next step is to begin construction of the building's structure.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

The project will construct a 109-foot-tall air traffic control tower, complementing the adjacent Auburn University Regional Airport terminal building. The tower will provide a 360-degree observation deck located 73 feet above grade; an emergency backup generator; mechanical, electrical and plumbing systems; fire protection and vertical transportation systems, and a complete technology and equipment package.

A rendering of the future air traffic control tower.

DESIGN

CONSTRUCTION

OCCUPIED

100% COMPLETE

Auburn University Applied Research Institute

Client: ADMINISTRATION



Completion date:

FEBRUARY
2026

Total project cost:

\$24
MILLION

Architect:

**MCMILLAN PAZDAN
SMITH**

Contractor:

TURNER CONSTRUCTION

Aerial view of the new Applied Research Institute in Huntsville, Alabama.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Auburn University Applied Research Institute in Huntsville, Alabama, focuses on advanced manufacturing for aviation and missile systems, additive manufacturing design, the Army Pathfinder program and radiation hardening testing for spaceflight hardware. Recently expanded research opportunities necessitated acquiring specialized equipment including a Big Area Additive Manufacturing printer, a metal 3D printer for rapid prototyping and a cyclotron for radiation hardening research. To address the need for additional research space, Auburn University partnered with the City of Huntsville Industrial Development Board to develop a new site for the Auburn University Applied Research Institute. The project site is located on a 14.5-acre parcel about one mile from the Auburn University Research and Innovation Campus.



This research space is ready for equipment installation.



Final touch-ups are being made to this office space.

40%
COMPLETE

Comer Hall Comprehensive Renovation

Client: COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE



Demolition is complete in the new two-story atrium entrance.



Mechanical, electrical and plumbing systems installation is underway in one of the new first-floor classrooms.



Interior wall framing is taking place on the second floor.

Completion date:
OCTOBER
2026

Total project cost:
\$40
MILLION

Architect:
HOUSER WALKER
ARCHITECTURE

Contractor:
BAILEY-HARRIS
CONSTRUCTION

PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Comer Hall Comprehensive Renovation project will renovate all four levels of the 45,000-square-foot building including updated academic spaces, modern building systems, improved accessibility with the addition of an elevator, exterior restoration, updated finishes and new furnishings.

25%
COMPLETE

Gulf Coast Engineering Research Station

Client: SAMUEL GINN COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING



Completion date:

SEPTEMBER
2026

Total project cost:

\$14
MILLION

Architect:

ARCHITECTUREWORKS

Contractor:

PERSONS SERVICES
CORPORATION

The concrete slab has been poured for the main entrance area.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Gulf Coast Engineering Research Station project in Orange Beach, Alabama, will construct a two-story, 21,000-square-foot building that will provide research laboratories, large meeting spaces and private offices. Outdoor gathering spaces will be constructed on both stories of the south elevation overlooking Terry Cove. The new facility will enhance and expand the Samuel Ginn College of Engineering's research and partnerships in Alabama's coastal region.



Finishing of the concrete surface is taking place for this section of the building.



Rebar and vapor barrier installation has been completed prior to the concrete pour.

DESIGN

CONSTRUCTION

OCCUPIED

85%
COMPLETE



Completion date:

MAY
2026

Total project cost:

\$75.7
MILLION

Architect:
NILES BOLTON
ASSOCIATES

Contractor:
RABREN GENERAL
CONTRACTORS

Sidewalks have been recently poured around the building.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

Phase I of the New University Student Housing project will construct a four-story, 125,000-square-foot residence hall that will house 371 students. It will be located at the west end of the Upper Quad Residence Halls and along the Haley Concourse.

New University Student Housing – Phase I

Client: STUDENT AFFAIRS



Appliances and new cabinetry are being installed in the social area kitchen.



A demountable partition has been installed in the group study area.

90% COMPLETE

STEM + Agricultural Sciences Complex

Client: COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND COLLEGE OF SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS



A view of Building B's lobby entrance on Samford Avenue and construction of the Duggar Concourse.



Curtain wall installation is in progress on the bridge between Buildings B and C.

Completion date:

MAY
2026

Total project cost:

\$224
MILLION

Architect:

GOODWYN MILLS
CAWOOD

Contractor:

HOAR CONSTRUCTION

Landscape work continues at Building A's entrance.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) + Agricultural Sciences Complex project will construct three three-story buildings consisting of approximately 265,000 square feet. It will include state-of-the-art laboratory, classroom, student collaboration and faculty spaces for the following colleges and their respective departments: Mathematics and Statistics, Geosciences, and Biological Sciences departments within the College of Sciences and Mathematics, and Crop, Soil and Environmental Sciences; Entomology and Plant Pathology, and Horticulture departments within the College of Agriculture. All three buildings will be connected by an underground equipment corridor.

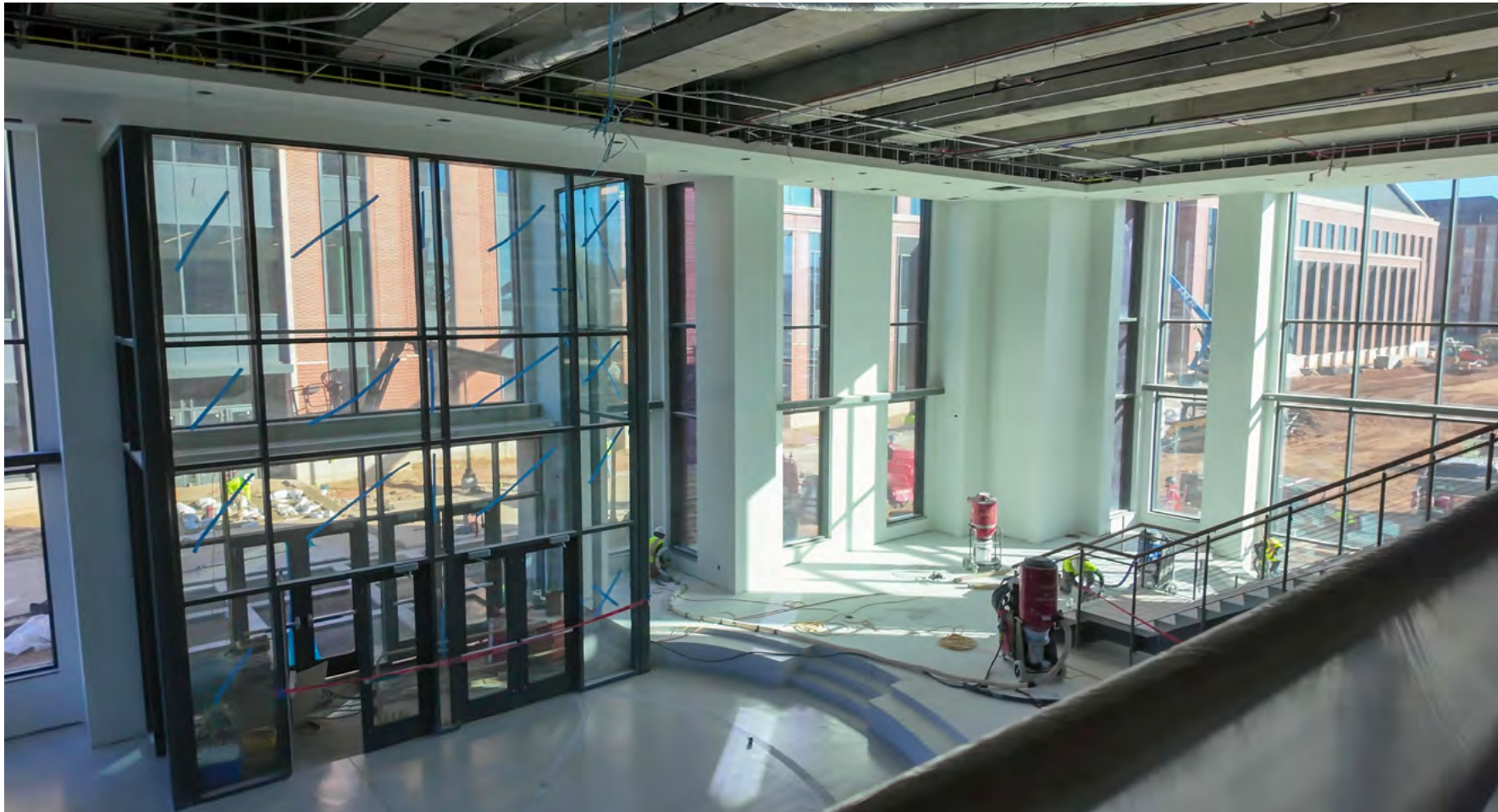


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STEM + Agricultural Sciences Complex – Building A

Client: COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND COLLEGE OF SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS



The final stage of terrazzo flooring installation is underway in the lobby.

BUILDING OVERVIEW

Building A will house the Department of Mathematics and Statistics, with its main entrance located off of West Samford Avenue. It will also include state-of-the-art teaching laboratories and seminar rooms on the first and second floors as well as drafting and computer labs for Geographic Information Systems. The third floor will feature a rooftop terrace overlooking the new green space.



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Final touches are taking place in this seminar space.



Casework installation is taking place in this teaching laboratory.

STEM + Agricultural Sciences Complex – Building B

Client: COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND COLLEGE OF SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS



Furniture will soon be moved into this basement laboratory.

BUILDING OVERVIEW

Building B primarily includes research labs and offices. A two-story elevated bridge will connect buildings B and C. This building will also contain a secondary lobby facing the new green space.

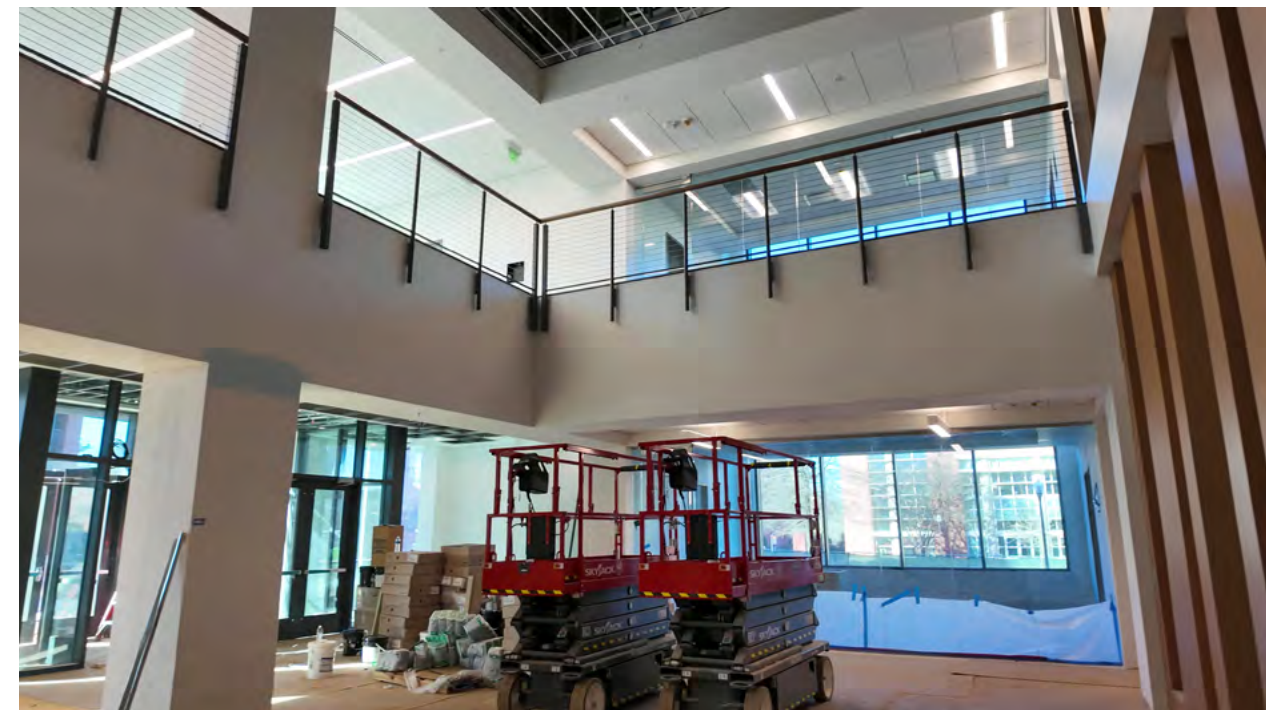


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The reception desk has been installed in an administrative suite reception area.



The two-story lobby entrance as seen from the first floor.

STEM + Agricultural Sciences Complex – Building C

Client: COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND COLLEGE OF SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS



The graduate technicians' desk area is ready for furniture.



This research laboratory is ready for move-in.

BUILDING OVERVIEW

Building C contains research laboratories. It is also home to a full-service court with a loading dock for ease of deliveries and lab sample processing. The basement of Building C contains shared laboratory support space for aquatic animals and insect breeding.



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The laboratory corridor in Building C is complete.



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