



# CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

*February 2024*



# CAPITAL PROJECT UPDATE

## Recently Completed

*(Within last 12 months)*

**\$39.8  
MILLION**

## Under Construction

*(As of February 1, 2024)*

**\$422.1  
MILLION**

## Board Approved Projects\*

*(As of November 2023)*

**\$113.9  
MILLION**

**55,900  
SQUARE FEET**

**579,993  
SQUARE FEET**

**182,820  
SQUARE FEET**

\*Projects approved by the Auburn University Board of Trustees that have not begun construction.





## Capital Projects Construction Sites: Main Campus

1. CADC Research Support and Innovation Center
2. Facilities Management Training Center
3. McWhorter Center Gymnastics & Softball Team Area Renovations
4. Plainsman Park Improvements - Phase I
5. Renovation of Space for the School of Kinesiology's Doctor of Physical Therapy Program
6. College of Education Building
7. STEM + Agricultural Sciences Complex
8. Plainsman Park Improvements - Phase II



**100%**  
COMPLETE

# CADC Research Support and Innovation Center

*Client:* COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE, DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION



*The CADRC Mass Timber Research Initiative space is complete and ready for use.*

Completion date:  
**JANUARY**  
2024

Total project cost:  
**\$2.70**  
MILLION

Architect:  
GOODWYN MILLS CAWOOD

Contractor:  
W.W. COMPTON  
CONTRACTOR, LLC



*The teaching and research space opened for the fall semester.*

## PROJECT OVERVIEW

The College of Architecture Design and Construction (CADC) Research Support and Innovation Center houses approximately 8,000 square feet of the Research and Innovation Center located in the Auburn University Research Park. The project included a tenant fit-out of the fourth floor to provide research support and administration spaces for the CADC that will support increased research and industry-sponsored programs.

The CADC Research Shop portion of the project renovated approximately 4,000 square feet of the adjacent Research and Innovation Center supporting building to convert it from a storage building to a fabrication and research shop. Research operations for the shop include the college's Mass Timber Research Initiative and Coastal and Riverine Resilience Initiative.



*Research has begun in the Coastal and Riverine Resilience Initiative lab.*



**100%**  
COMPLETE

# Facilities Management Training Center

*Client:* FACILITIES MANAGEMENT



*The Facilities Management Training Center is complete.*



*Electricians train on a portable generator inside the center's demonstration room.*

*Completion date:*  
**DECEMBER**  
2023

*Total project cost:*  
**\$2.5**  
MILLION

*Architect:*  
JMR+H ARCHITECTURE, PC

*Contractor:*  
WEBB CONSTRUCTION

## PROJECT OVERVIEW

The facility provides training space to continually develop the professional and skilled trades staff within Facilities Management. It is a one-story, approximately 4,000-square-foot building with flexible classrooms, demonstration space for training on industrial equipment and restrooms.



*This room is set up and ready for training.*



100%  
COMPLETE

# McWhorter Center Gymnastics & Softball Team Area Renovations

Client: ATHLETICS



Completion date:

DECEMBER  
2023

Total project cost:

\$4.9  
MILLION

Architect:  
DAVIS  
ARCHITECTS

Contractor:  
J.A. LETT  
CONSTRUCTION CO.

The upgraded McWhorter Center lobby features a digital communications wall.

## PROJECT OVERVIEW

The McWhorter Center Gymnastics & Softball Team Area Renovations project renovated the existing two-story, 33,500-square-foot building. Program requirements included renovations to both the softball and gymnastics locker rooms and training rooms, as well as replacement of essential building systems.



This shared softball and gymnastics corridor includes artwork highlighting each team's respective achievements.



The renovated gymnastics locker room features vanity spaces, a team lounge and mannequin niches.



The softball locker room features lockers, team lounge and vanity spaces.



An enhanced gymnastics locker room entry is framed with LED highlights.



**90%**  
COMPLETE

# Plainsman Park Improvements - Phase I

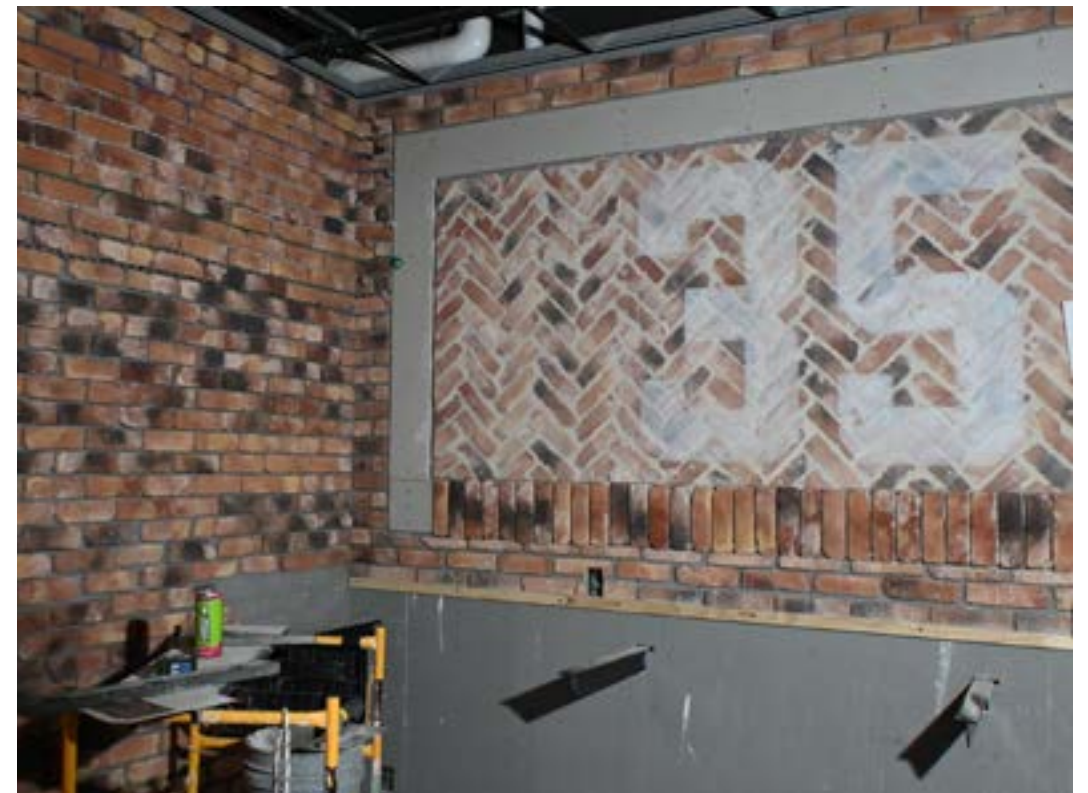
*Client:* ATHLETICS



*Artificial turf has been installed along the baselines and behind home plate.*



*The corridor entry to the field level seats is ready for paint and furnishings.*



*Brick finishes are going up for the interior Hall of Fame Club space.*

Completion date:  
**FEBRUARY**  
2024

Phase I Project Cost:  
**\$5**  
MILLION

Architect:  
**COOKE DOUGLASS  
FARR LEMONS**

Contractor:  
**WEBB CONSTRUCTION**

## PROJECT OVERVIEW

Phase I of the Plainsman Park Improvements project is construction of the Hall of Fame Club, which will add premium seats at field level that are divided between two tiered rows. It will also include installation of artificial turf along the baselines, and a 3,000-square-foot climate-controlled club space offering food, drinks, televisions, restrooms and indoor seating. The new space will be accessible through a to-be-constructed private entrance to Plainsman Park or via the main concourse.



**40%**  
**COMPLETE**

# Renovation of Space for the School of Kinesiology's Doctor of Physical Therapy Program

*Client:* COLLEGE OF EDUCATION



*Completion date:*

**APRIL**  
**2024**

*Total project cost:*

**\$2.5**  
**MILLION**

*Architect:*

**COOPER CARRY**

*Contractor:*

**WEBB CONSTRUCTION**

*Observation glass has been installed in the School of Kinesiology's Doctor of Physical Therapy clinic space.*

## PROJECT OVERVIEW

This renovation of space within the Kinesiology Building and the Student Activities Center will provide a startup area that includes instructional, research laboratory, office and other support spaces to enable the School of Kinesiology to commence the Doctor of Physical Therapy program for Fall 2024.



*Drywall has been installed in several rooms throughout the Student Activities Center.*





**30%**  
COMPLETE

# College of Education Building

*Client:* COLLEGE OF EDUCATION



*The exterior barrier is being placed on the first and second floors.*



*A first-floor view of the two story lobby looking toward the Duncan Drive entry.*

*Completion date:*  
**DECEMBER**  
**2024**

*Total project cost:*  
**\$77**  
**MILLION**

*Architect:*  
**STACY NORMAN**  
**ARCHITECTS, LLC**

*Contractor:*  
**RABREN GENERAL**  
**CONTRACTORS**

## PROJECT OVERVIEW

The new College of Education building will be a three-story, 167,000-square-foot building, including a basement and mechanical penthouse, that will include modern and collaborative classrooms, instructional laboratories, up-to-date technology, and administrative spaces for faculty and staff.



**Check out the College of Education webcams here:**

<https://fm.auburn.edu/webcams/>



*Interior walls are being framed throughout the facility.*



*The concrete structure is complete on all three floors.*



**10%**  
**COMPLETE**

# STEM + Agricultural Sciences Complex

*Client:* COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND COLLEGE OF SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS



Completion date:

**MAY**  
**2026**

Total project cost:

**\$224**  
**MILLION**

Architect:

**GOODWYN MILLS**  
**CAWOOD, LLC**

Contractor:

**HOAR CONSTRUCTION, LLC**

*Building C foundations, columns and walls are underway. See adjacent map for building location.*

## PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) + Agricultural Sciences Complex project will construct three three-story buildings totaling approximately 265,000 square feet. The project will provide 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.



**Check out the STEM + Agricultural Sciences Complex webcams here:**

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*Basement walls in Building C are being formed.*



*This map illustrates where each building will be located in conjunction with the future College of Education building.*



**5%**  
COMPLETE

# Plainsman Park Improvements - Phase II

*Client: ATHLETICS*

## PROJECT OVERVIEW

Phase II of the Plainsman Park Improvements will construct a three-story expansion along the first baseline stands to add premium seating, club space, grab-n-go concessions, and improved accessibility for the south entrance. In addition, the project includes a new Home Plate Club consisting of new enclosed premium club level with exterior seating.



Completion date:  
**JANUARY**  
2025

Total project cost:  
**\$18**  
MILLION

Architect:  
**COOKE DOUGLASS  
FARR LEMONS**

Contractor:  
**STONE CONSTRUCTION**

*A rendering of the three story expansion to be constructed along the first base line. It will include premium seating, club space, concessions and improved accessibility for the south entrance.*

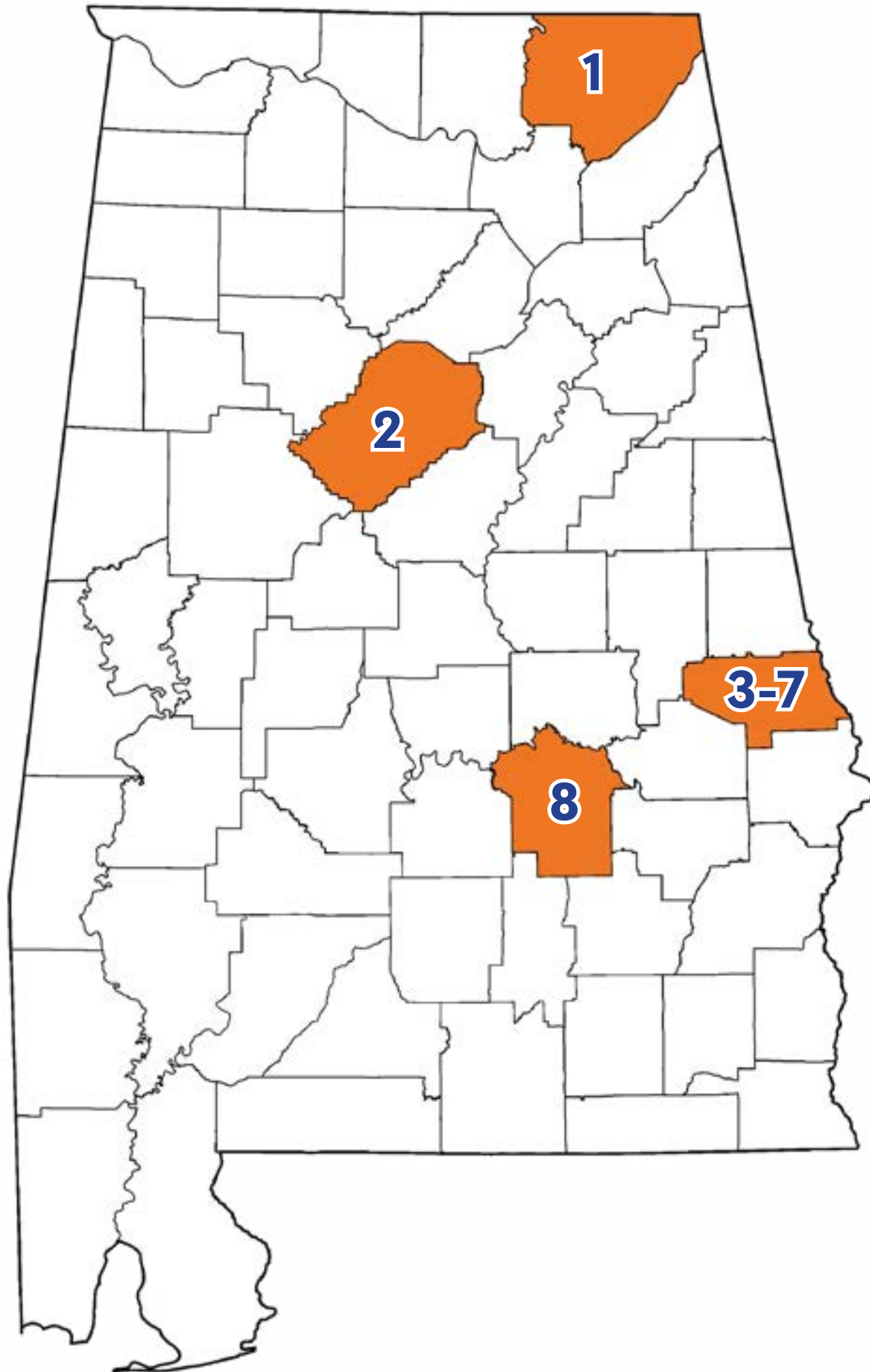


*Demolition of a brick wall behind the first base line seats in preparation for the new kitchen in the First Base Club.*



*This rendering illustrates new seating to be constructed along the first base side with access to the interior club space.*





## Capital Projects Construction Sites: Off Campus

1. Alabama Cooperative Extension System (ACES) Graham Farm & Nature Center Pavilion - Jackson County, AL
2. Hood McPherson Building Renovation - Birmingham, AL
3. Auburn University Regional Airport Corporate Hangar at South Ramp
4. College of Veterinary Medicine Chilled Water Plant
5. Auburn University Regional Airport Runway Safety Extension
6. Kreher Preserve and Nature Center Environmental Education Building
7. North Auburn Equine Research Facility Addition
8. Auburn University at Montgomery Science Laboratory Facilities Renovation



**100%**  
COMPLETE

# ACES Graham Farm and Nature Center Pavilion

*Client:* ALABAMA COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SYSTEM (ACES)



*Construction of the ACES Graham Farm and Nature Center Pavilion in Jackson County, AL is complete.*

*Completion date:*  
**JANUARY**  
**2024**

*Total project cost:*  
**\$2.95**  
**MILLION**

*Architect:*  
**CHAPMAN SISSON**  
**ARCHITECTS**

*Contractor:*  
**P & C**  
**CONSTRUCTION**

## PROJECT OVERVIEW

The ACES Graham Farm and Nature Center Pavilion project constructed a one-story, 4,200-square-foot facility that provides an expansion of outreach and educational programs offered by the Alabama Cooperative Extension System (ACES). Construction also included a 1,850-square-foot covered patio, and 2,350 square feet of enclosed space with a kitchen, meeting and outreach spaces, offices and restrooms.



*This multi-purpose room includes a garage door leading to the exterior section of the pavilion.*



*The new facility includes a full kitchen.*



**99%**  
**COMPLETE**

# Hood McPherson Building Renovation

*Clients:* COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE, DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION  
and HARBERT COLLEGE OF BUSINESS



*Collaborative spaces and small meeting rooms on the sixth floor are waiting for furniture installation following completion of telecommunication equipment installation.*

Completion date:  
**FEBRUARY**  
2024

Total project cost:  
**\$21.8**  
MILLION

*Architect:*  
**WILLIAMS BLACKSTOCK**  
ARCHITECTS

*Contractor:*  
**STONE BUILDING, LLC**



*A classroom on the fourth floor has been completed and is ready for future use.*



*The Auburn University marquee sign on the Hood McPherson Building will make a strong statement regarding Auburn's presence in Birmingham.*

## PROJECT OVERVIEW

This project consists of a comprehensive renovation of the Hood McPherson Building in Birmingham, AL. The building envelope and floors one through six will be fully repaired and renovated. Once complete, the building will include a communal lobby; shared Auburn University professional amenity space; College of Architecture, Design and Construction (CADC) fabrication space and studios, and Harbert College of Business Executive Instructional and Outreach space.



**80%**  
COMPLETE

# Auburn University Regional Airport Corporate Hangar at South Ramp

*Client:* AUBURN UNIVERSITY REGIONAL AIRPORT



*The roof is being installed on the new corporate hangar.*

*Completion date:*

**MARCH**  
2024

*Total project cost:*

**\$3.0**  
MILLION

*Engineer:*

**BARGE DESIGN  
SOLUTIONS, INC.**

*Contractor:*

**GAMBLE WINTER  
CONSTRUCTION, LLC**

## PROJECT OVERVIEW

The project will construct a one-story, 20,150-square-foot aircraft hangar that is subdivided into six individual bays. Each bay will be approximately 65 feet wide by 62 feet deep, equipped with a motorized bi-folding hangar door and a restroom for each hangar. New parking will be constructed in front of the building to include accessible parking in support of each corporate hangar. The hangar bays are being constructed to meet the current demand for sheltering turboprop planes and small jets.



*A separation wall is being constructed between the fourth and fifth bays of the hangars' pre-engineered building frame.*



**40%**  
COMPLETE

# College of Veterinary Medicine Chilled Water Plant

*Client:* GENERAL CAMPUS/INFRASTRUCTURE



*Completion date:*

**JUNE**  
**2024**

*Total project cost:*

**\$7.9**  
**MILLION**

*Engineer:*

**LBVD ENGINEERS**

*Contractor:*

**MCABEE**  
**CONSTRUCTION, INC.**

*The chiller equipment room is being prepared to pour concrete bases for the new chillers.*

## PROJECT OVERVIEW

This project will replace four older chillers with new equipment and piping. These improvements will increase capacity and improve plant efficiency to meet the current cooling loads for the College of Veterinary Medicine campus.



*This existing chiller will remain in place.*





**35%**  
COMPLETE

# AUM Science Laboratory Facilities Renovation

*Client:* AUBURN UNIVERSITY AT MONTGOMERY



*A protective waterproof barrier has been installed on the outside of the building.*



*Concrete has been poured for the building's first floor addition.*

*Completion date:*  
**DECEMBER**  
2024

*Total project cost:*  
**\$36**  
MILLION

*Architect:*  
**WILLIAMS BLACKSTOCK**  
ARCHITECTS

*Contractor:*  
**BAILEY-HARRIS**  
CONSTRUCTION

## PROJECT OVERVIEW

The project will renovate a two-story, 57,000-square-foot building. The renovation will provide a new lobby and commons area, biology and chemistry labs, research labs, lab support and prep spaces, Engaged and Active Student Learning (EASL) classroom spaces, and faculty offices. The project also supports exterior envelope improvements, and a new landscape and parking area.



*In-wall and overhead mechanical, electrical and plumbing systems installation continues in this new lab room.*



**30%**  
**COMPLETE**

Completion date:

**MAY**  
**2024**

Total project cost:

**\$8**  
**MILLION**

Engineer:

**BARGE DESIGN  
SOLUTIONS, INC.**

Contractor:

**D&J ENTERPRISES, INC.**

# Auburn University Regional Airport Runway Safety Area Extension

*Client:* AUBURN UNIVERSITY REGIONAL AIRPORT

## PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Airport Runway Safety Area Extension project will allow the Auburn University Regional Airport to comply with current Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) safety guidelines which require the runway safety area to be extended by more than 700 feet, given the level of operations at the airport.



*Dirt fill continues to be hauled in and placed. Site preparation for the new localizer antenna platform is underway.*



**15%**  
**COMPLETE**

# Kreher Preserve and Nature Center New Environmental Education Building

*Client:* COLLEGE OF FORESTRY, WILDLIFE AND ENVIRONMENT (KPNC)



*An aerial photo illustrates where concrete foundations have been poured for the new building.*

*Completion date:*

**JULY**  
**2024**

*Total project cost:*

**\$3.9**  
**MILLION**

*Architect:*  
**LEERS WEINZAPFEL**  
**ASSOCIATES**

*Contractor:*  
**W.W. COMPTON**  
**CONTRACTOR**

## PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Kreher Preserve and Nature Center (KPNC) Environmental Education Building project will include indoor and outdoor instructional space to support and expand the research and outreach programs held at the center. Cross laminate timber will be featured as the primary building structure.



*Platform framing is complete for both structures.*



**10%**  
COMPLETE

# North Auburn Equine Research Facility Addition

*Client:* COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE



*A rendering of the addition to the North Auburn Equine Research Facility.*

Completion date:  
**OCTOBER**  
2024

Total project cost:  
**\$7**  
MILLION

*Architect:*  
**POOLE & COMPANY**  
ARCHITECTS, LLC

*Contractor:*  
**WHATLEY CONSTRUCTION**

## PROJECT OVERVIEW

The North Auburn Equine Research Facility Addition project will construct a one-story 8,100-square-foot addition which will provide new laboratory space, open and private offices, collaboration space, and general support spaces. The construction of this new addition will enable the removal of temporary facilities and provide the necessary space to grow the research capabilities of the laboratory.



*This rendering illustrates an interior view of the new addition.*



*A rendering illustrating a view of a new workspace.*



# State of Alabama - Pesticide Residue and Chemical Laboratory



*Lab installation is nearing completion with the mechanical, electrical and plumbing installed.*

Total project cost:  
**\$12**  
MILLION  
**19,023**  
SQUARE FEET

## PROJECT OVERVIEW

Auburn University is leasing land to the State of Alabama for construction of the Alabama Department of Agriculture and Industries' new Pesticide Residue and Chemical Laboratory. The construction site is a few steps from the Laboratory's current location in the Gilmer-Turnham Building which is on Wire Road across from the College of Veterinary Medicine. Half of the new facility will be allocated to plant residue testing while the other will focus on chemical analysis of products.

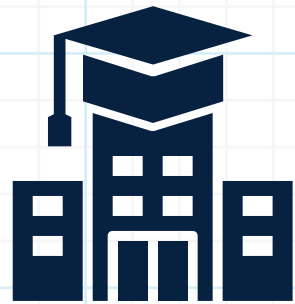


*The main entrance to the facility is coming together. Hardscape installation is wrapping up and landscape installation will start soon.*



# THE VALUE OF AUBURN'S CAMPUS

## MAIN CAMPUS



**342**  
BUILDINGS

**12.7**  
MILLION  
SQUARE FEET

## LEE COUNTY\*



**455**  
BUILDINGS

**13.4**  
MILLION  
SQUARE FEET

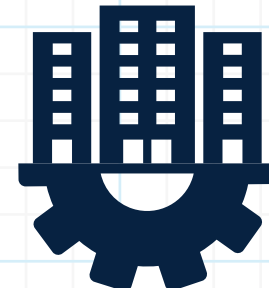
## REPLACEMENT VALUE OF UNIVERSITY FACILITIES

### BUILDINGS



**\$7.76**  
BILLION

### INFRASTRUCTURE MAIN CAMPUS UTILITIES



**\$0.60**  
BILLION

### TOTAL REPLACEMENT VALUE



**\$8.36**  
BILLION

\*Includes main campus space.



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February Construction Update

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### Cover photo:

LED highlights mark the entry to the renovated women's softball team locker room in the McWhorter Center.

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# Project Teams

## Alabama Cooperative Extension System Graham Farm & Nature Center Pavilion

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## Facilities Management Training Center

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