



# Hard-Troweled Tribune

## Spotlight – Toyota V6 Plant Expansion

GGC was awarded the Toyota 103E manufacturing expansion project in the Fall of 2019, and broke ground in mid-January. The project contract is just under \$2M, located in Huntsville, AL. The client is Turner Construction Company (who was also the Construction Manager on Madison Baseball, where our performance helped with this award). The scope consists of footings, loading docks, perimeter knee walls, 150,000 SF of SOG, sidewalks and 8,500 SF of site paving. What makes this project so challenging is dealing with the incredibly detailed safety requirements on site from the Toyota Industrial Management Team. These requirements had significant impact on our early productivity out of the ground. It also increased our manpower onsite to manage the substantial paperwork required for every activity that had to be presented daily for approval and review. Both Turner and GGC were able to work through the early challenges (coupled with very wet conditions in January and February), to build on our stellar reputation in the greater Huntsville area. Superintendent Matt Walther has done an incredible job with pushing productivity while creatively working with Turner to provide very high-quality results that Owner & GC are thrilled with. He and Sr. PM Trevor Garner have also been able to turn the job into a very profitable endeavor, which is saying something considering the challenging start. The SOG finish and crack tolerances are another area where Matt has shined. The project requires that **all cracks** in the SOG be ground down then epoxied to repair them, and Toyota has magnification equipment they will be bringing on the slab to measure hairline cracks. At the time of this article we have placed 80% of the SOG and have only had 1, small visible crack, which is an incredible testament to the quality of pre-planning and having the right team in place. GGC expects to complete the small site package and demobilize sometime in mid to late June. Our team received a glowing endorsement letter, which you can read on page 2 of this issue. The project team consisted of Matt Walther, Trevor Garner, Luke Gettmann, Brad Ryerson, Larry Dempsey with Hector Chaverria and David Arreola as carpentry and place & finish crews. Very proud of our team!



### Mark your calendars...

- We're sad to announce the Spring Fling turned Summer Jam has been cancelled due to continued restrictions/closures from Covid-19. No need to worry about those awesome 80's costumes picked up; hopefully we reschedule the theme for 2021. GGC ownership is working on a possible late summer event for families at Lake Lanier Islands. Stay tuned!
- Friday July 3<sup>rd</sup> will be an observed holiday for Independence Day.
- GGC's Floating Holiday for 2020 will be Thursday Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>.

### RECENT GGC ANNIVERSARIES:

- Paul Mandall – 18 Years in July
- Larry Dempsey – 9 Years in May
- Brad Ryerson – 7 Years in July
- Ronnie Baker – 8 Years in May
- Missi Price – 6 Years in June
- Paul LeMay – 5 Years in July
- Anthony Ureno – 3 Years in May
- Stewart Evans – 3 Years in June
- Ian McMillan – 2 Years in June
- Trevor Garner – 2 Years in July

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## Backlog continues to grow despite Pandemic

Even though the entire market is dealing with the Covid-19 Pandemic, and the subsequent economic hardships, GGC has seen our previously reported record backlog of \$30M, balloon even higher, up to \$35M as it sits as of May 2020. Since March, we've picked up over \$12M in additional structural work and \$5M in additional Hardscape work. And a large segment of our current work is labor-only. We have 8 active labor-only projects totaling over \$17M working with Brasfield & Gorrie, Holder, JE Dunn and United Forming. Here are the recently awarded jobs:

- **MNK 7A Data Center (Google):** Monks Corner, SC with Holder Construction - Originally issued as a \$5M+ Data Center labor only contract started January, our scope has just grown another \$3.5M with the addition of more interior structural scope, turnkey paving and curb & gutter. Contract is now \$8.5M. The Preconstruction team is still pricing even more additional packages. And we are also in position for the \$1M next phase building foundation package. Stay tuned, this project is on track to be our largest ever at one site, it could very well reach \$10M.
- **Frito-Lay Distribution Center:** \$5.5M Turnkey Structural project that includes some Tilt-Up panels. It's a 2-phase addition to a Distribution Center located in Perry, GA with Haskell Construction. Project starts June of 2020.
- **NHA 3F Data Center (Facebook):** \$5.7M Data Center project for Holder Construction outside of Huntsville, AL. Project scope includes largely Place and Finish labor, with some smaller turnkey packages. Project start - late Fall 2020. GGC was awarded the project based on the performance on MNK 7A in Charleston area.
- **Baker's Row Hardscape:** \$450k Hardscape package for Juneau Construction in Birmingham, AL. Project includes streetscapes, elevated amenity and pool courtyard, and other misc. scope for multi-family project, slated to start in December.
- **Third and Spring Hardscape:** \$1.1M Hardscape package for JE Dunn in Midtown Atlanta - Summer 2020. Project scope includes significant amenities packages, elevated integral exposed concrete, and complete landscape package for multi-family project.
- **Emory MSK Center Hardscape:** \$550K Hardscape package for Brasfield & Gorrie at same Atlanta, GA location as the ongoing structural project awarded last year. Scope is slated for early 2021.
- **Pennington Bend Hardscape:** \$805K Specialties package for Lincoln Properties in Nashville, TN. Scope includes vehicular pavers, CIP stairs, sidewalks. Project starts in Fall 2020.

*Nothing makes us happier than receiving glowing letters from our clients. Check out three received from our teams working on Toyota Manufacturing in Huntsville, Nichiha Distribution in Macon, & Madison Baseball in Madison, AL. Thanks to Matt Walther, Brett Blanton, Jonathan Browning, Trevor Garner, Luke Gettmann, Brad Ryerson, Alex White, Colin Nelson and Jon Mauck for earning this praise!*

### Turner

On behalf of the Turner team at the engine plant expansion, I would like to thank you and your team for its great effort in maintaining safety, quality and schedule.

Matt Walther has been great to work with and definitely developed great working relationship with Turner and the Owners representation on site.

Sincerely,



Turner Construction Co.  
Dick Conway  
Project Executive



I hope all has been well with you, your family and coworkers during these challenging times. The Hoar project team wants to take this time to thank you for all the hard work that Greater Georgia Concrete performed at the Madison Ballpark. This was a complex project, therefore your team should be very proud of the work they exemplified. Hoar Construction certainly values collaborating with committed Trade Partners like Greater Georgia Concrete. As a company invested in relationship building, Hoar Construction hopes to continue to foster this great relationship and work together on projects in the future.

Respectfully,



Bill Lampkin  
Project Manager



The Nichiha Plant Expansion project was a very important project for our company, and Greater Georgia Concrete was a very committed partner in helping make it happen. They committed as many resources as necessary to meet the aggressive schedule, and produced quality work throughout.

Robby Foskey  
Estimator/Project Manager

## Shop & Yard Improvements at the MAIN OFFICE



GGC has invested in some improvements to the Shop and Yard at the office. As we all know, with the growth of the company, we have added office space through the years and downsized the shop space. We are long overdue to invest in a shop overhaul to improve efficiency. We started this project in late May, and the improvements include knocking out the rear partition between the shop and the rear addition to create more open space. This required a topping slab in the rear addition, and will polish the entire shop area once complete. The project also includes the addition of a car lift for equipment maintenance (this will also help with minor truck maintenance for fleet vehicles), new shelving layout for more organization. The yard is also being thoroughly cleaned and purged of unusable materials to create more space for critical every-day used formwork, lumber, accessories, etc. The project should be complete by mid-June.