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Weather You Like It Or Not...

As I write this in early October, we're taking advantage of beautiful, sunny, construction-friendly weather, knowing that we are on borrowed time. Throughout the Northwest, construction continued at a frenetic pace this fall as everyone scrambled to get projects past the point where the fall rains could harm them.

In this ongoing business, we never really "wrap-up" for winter. Despite our grumbling about Oregon weather, we have a relatively mild climate here (but wet) and pretty much work year round. The rain and cold contribute more to a lack of productivity than actual work stoppages. Granted, some sites with poor soils can't be worked in the wet, but by and large we push ahead on most jobs in spite of the weather.

This winter we are under construction with condominium projects in Gresham, Seaside and Bandon, Oregon, and commercial buildings in Sandy, Oregon City, Sellwood and Beaverton, Oregon. Although not our first choice, outdoor winter work is a fact of life. Winter makes us more appreciative of tenant improvements and interior renovations.

Having said all this, don't get the wrong impression. I'm not a big fan of Oregon winters! I hope all of you can escape to warmer climates, if only for a few days, this season. I'll be thinking of you and, with any luck, maybe I'll see you someplace warm and sunny.



Durham Office Plaza, Durham, Oregon, nears completion in October. This 44,000-square-foot Class A building was developed by Durham Plaza LLC and designed by Mildren Design Group PC.



Above: Grease Monkey Quick Lube and Car Wash, developed by Fairfield Auto Company, is a combination oil change/car wash in Battle Ground, Washington.



Right: The 4,400-square-foot Fir Crest Corner Building II, constructed of structural brick, was designed by David Bissett and Associates and developed by Sirrah Corporation.



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Another Successful Project...

Young's Bay Retail in Warrenton, Oregon, was completed in October and developed by Atlas Investments and Mildren Design Group PC.

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If not, don't hesitate to check us out at www.joehughes.com. There you can find out more about Joseph Hughes Construction, our scope of services, our construction, achievement and safety awards, as well as our many residential and commercial projects in progress.

At Joseph Hughes Construction, we believe that through our commitment to teamwork, involving our customers, our associates and ourselves, we will always provide a professional, high quality, business experience. This ensures the integrity, reputation and success of our organization.



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Season's Greetings...

Amid all the rushing around and commercialization that mark the holiday season, we sometimes lose sight of what's truly important. Here at Joseph Hughes Construction, we want to take a minute out of our hectic schedule (and ask you to do the same) to focus on what we value most: the health, safety and happiness of our employees and their families, and similarly, that of our corporate friends and clients.

Though the past year has not been marked by cataclysmic hurricanes or horrific terrorist attacks on our home soil, we nevertheless continue to be faced with great challenges both here and around the world. As Americans, we must maintain our resolve, make the necessary sacrifices and retain our faith and hope in the future.

The entire staff of Joseph Hughes Construction wishes each of you a safe and happy holiday season and a prosperous 2007.



Thanks for your continued support and know that we remain committed to earning your trust each and every day.