Capital Program Report
Board of Trustees
June 11, 2021

MAJOR / INTERMEDIATE CAPITAL PROJECTS

Interdisciplinary Science Building (formerly known as Sciences Building Addition - STEM I)

WWU is working with Perkins+Will (design consultant) and BNBuilders, General Contractor/Construction Manager (GC/CM). The project is scheduled for Spring Quarter 2022 occupancy. Live video feed is available at: https://cpd.wwu.edu/interdisciplinary-science-building-webcams. Below are project photos.

A screen capture of the webcam from May 14, 2021  An aerial photo from May 3, 2021

South Exterior ground photo  Level 2 interior lobby and main stair ground photo
Electrical Engineering and Computer Science

Perkins+Will, the selected design consultant, has completed the Schematic Design phase. Mortenson Company, the selected GC/CM, has joined the project team and is currently coordinating the selection RFP process for Mechanical and Electrical Contractor/Construction Managers (M & EC/CM). The State approved funding in the 2021-2023 capital budget, and construction is scheduled to begin in Summer 2022. The project is scheduled for occupancy in Spring Quarter 2024.

Elevator Preservation and ADA Upgrades

Elevators at Arntzen, Morse Hall, Environmental Studies, Biology Building and Bond Hall are complete, and the elevators are now operable.

Multiple Building Access Control

DECO/Dutton Electric and their subcontractor Convergint Technologies have successfully reached substantial completion for the access control system conversion for the majority of campus buildings. The project is expected to be complete by Spring 2021.

Alma Clark Glass Hall (formerly known as New Residence Hall)

The progressive design team consists of Lydig Construction from Spokane and Mahlum Architects from Seattle. Occupancy is scheduled for Fall 2021. The team is also working in Ridgeway Commons to improve ADA accessibility from the south entrance of the Alma Clark Glass Hall (CG) to the second-floor dining facility. Ridgeway Commons is the closest eatery to the new residence hall. The Ridgeway Commons scope includes adding an elevator, two gender neutral and ADA accessible restrooms, as well as upgrading the fire alarm system. Work in Ridgeway Commons will be complete by Fall 2021.

The following webpage shows live video feed from webcams installed for the New Residence Hall portion of the project: https://cpd.wwu.edu/new-residence-hall-webcams. The following are interior and exterior photos from May 2021.

“Storefront” window system being installed on west side of Multipurpose Room (MPR), May 5, 2021

Looking from MPR to Shared Journey walkway, May 5, 2021
Parks Hall and Science Lecture (SMATE) Electronic Safety and Security Upgrade

This project is complete and fire alarm systems at Parks Hall and SMATE are operational.

Fairhaven Academic Replace Main Electrical Switch Gear

This project was awarded to DECO/Dutton Electric Co. Construction is underway and is scheduled for completion by September 2021.

Physical Plant Underground Fuel System

This project at the Physical Plant will replace the underground fuel system and the antiquated underground storm water system. Construction is scheduled for completion in August 2021.

2021-2023 Capital Budget

The Legislature released their compromised 2021-2023 Capital Budget (Budget) in late April 2021 and the Governor signed the Bill in May 2021. The Budget included $70.104 million in funding for Western as follows:

- Electrical Engineering and Computer Science - $51 million
- Minor Works – Preservation - $4.8 million
- 2021-2023 Classroom and Lab Upgrades - $2.5 million
- Student Development and Success Center (predesign) - $225,000
- Coast Salish Longhouse - $4.5 million
- Minor Works – Program - $1 million
- Access Control - $2.015 million
- Heating System Conversion Feasibility Study - $450,000 in grant funding
- Preventive Facility Maintenance and Building System Repairs - $3.614 million
An action item will be presented to the Board of Trustees at their June meeting to approve the 2021-2023 Capital Budget. The action item will also include approval of the non-state funding associated with Electrical Engineering and Computer Science ($19.01 million), Student Development and Success Center - pre-design ($75,000), and the Coast Salish Longhouse ($450,000).

For more information about the major projects, the Capital Program, and the Capital Planning Process, please visit the Office of Capital Planning and Development website: https://cpd.wwu.edu/2021-23-capital-budget-request.