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FRED & PAMELA BUFFETT

CANCER CENTER

OMAHA, NE – Breaking ground approximately one year ago, the Fred & Pamela Buffett Cancer Center currently being constructed by the **Kiewit Building Group** at Dewey Avenue and the Durham Research Plaza, is the site of a whirlwind of human activity. Designed by **HDR** and a collaborative effort between **The University of Nebraska Medical Center** and its hospital partner **The Nebraska Medical Center**, the new facility will include a 10-story research tower, a 108-bed inpatient treatment center and a multidisciplinary outpatient center. Constructing a large medical building in close proximity to an important functioning healthcare center is a case study for project coordination. Emergency vehicles, pedestrian traffic, limited materials staging areas, unknown existing utilities and a myriad of other above and below grade challenges are just a few of the consider-

ations the Kiewit Building Group and other onsite contractors must assess on a daily basis. General Excavating's role in this project includes installation of the sanitary sewer, storm sewer and providing excavation services for

"It's a challenging project but difficult work is what we do best. Coordination with Kiewit is critical as we relocate existing and install new infrastructure in multiple locations."

—Brian Egr, Project Manager

water lines, chilled water, electrical duct bank, steam and condensate lines. Scheduled to open in 2017, the Fred & Pamela Buffett Cancer Center is the biggest building project in the history of UNMC campus and will enhance their national reputation as a leader in the care and treatment of cancer patients.

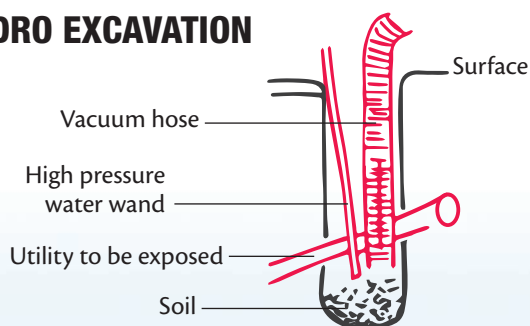


TRENCHLESS CONSTRUCTION by **GE** General Excavating

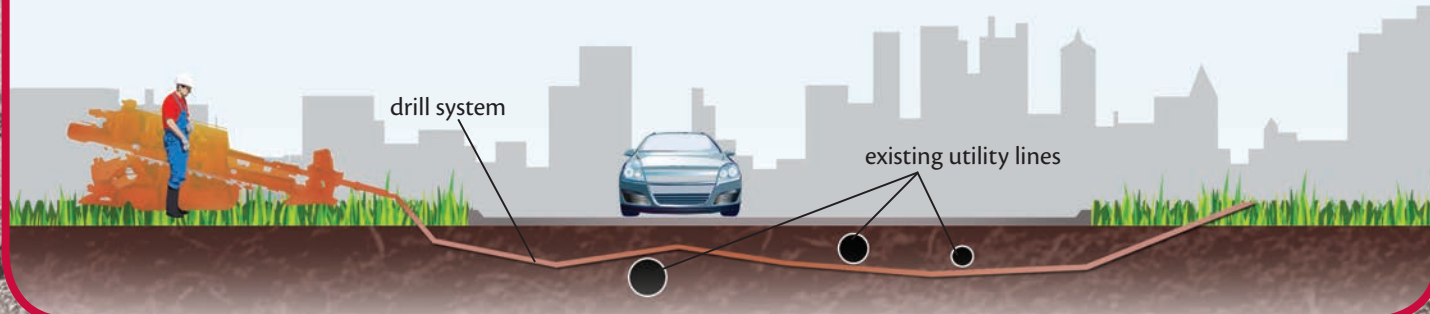
Completing projects safely and efficiently when you don't know what you don't know can be a challenge. The engineering and construction industry deals with unknowns on a daily basis as existing structures get replaced by new buildings, roadways get widened, and utilities are extended or upgraded. The unknowns impact cost, production, and safety. General Excavating can help remove some of the uncertainties by locating below grade utilities with Hydro Excavation. Hydro Excavation uses high pressured water combined with a powerful vacuum system to expose and locate below grade utilities and significantly reduce potential damage to important infrastructure. Recent completed projects include cutting frost on construction of a **Black Hills Energy** substation, potholing for **Lincoln Electric System**, and exposing a **Sprint** fiber cable for **Pottawattamie County**. Contact General Excavating's John Kooistra at jkooistra@generalexexcavating.com / 402.440.0327 or Ron Graphenteen at rgraphenteen@generalexexcavating.com / 402.326.2580 to discuss how Hydro Excavation can impact the successful completion of your next project.



► HYDRO EXCAVATION



▼ **DIRECTIONAL BORING** is a trenchless construction method used by General Excavating to install underground utilities such as water, sewer, gas, fiber, and electrical. This form of construction is advantageous to an open cut method because it avoids surface encumbrances on tight construction sites, reduces the need for road closures and can save expense on surface restoration costs.



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SALT CREEK LEVEE DRAINAGE STRUCTURE MAINTENANCE REPAIRS PROJECT

SALT CREEK, Lincoln – There are times when we wonder how did we end up here? Most often projects go best if you start at the bottom and work your way to the top even if the starting point is in the middle of a creek. The **Lower Platte South Natural Resources District** required some maintenance work to be performed at four sites along Salt Creek from 20th Street to Superior Street in Lincoln, Nebraska. Erosion and time had impacted the soil along the banks and the drainage structures emptying into the creek. Following the design and specifications of **EA Engineering Science and Technology, Inc.**, General Excavating repaired miscellaneous concrete structures, regraded sloughed banks, placed rip rap and associated work.



THE COMPLETED PROJECTS are only as good as the individuals working on them and at General Excavating we have some of the best in the industry. THANKS to all our employees who celebrated milestone years of service the past few months. Commitment by General Excavating employees means better service as we help our clients solve their underground problems.

35 YEARS —LOWRY ENGSTROM

30 YEARS —TERRY CLIFTON

25 YEARS —DAN NELSON

20 YEARS —JUAN LOPEZ

15 YEARS —STEVE STOWERS

5 YEARS —KEN IMIG, PAT RYAN, WAYNE WILLIAMSON

Thank You!

For more information about General Excavating or how you can join the team, visit our website at www.generalexexcavating.com or call (888) 467-1627.

STAY IN TOUCH

Our website offers a great deal of information about the services we offer, contact information and past project experience. We also send out a monthly ENEWS that highlights some of the projects of our partners in the design and construction industry that we help construct. You can sign up for the ENEWS on our website or if



easier, just send an email to Randy at rmcdonald@generalexexcavating.com. Social media sites such as LinkedIn also provide an avenue to reach the individuals you need. And if all else fails, give us a call at (402) 467-1627.



Above & BEYOND

AGC Build Nebraska Award

General Excavating was honored by the Nebraska Chapter of Associated General Contractors for their work on the University of Nebraska Devaney Steam Line Project.



The Build Nebraska Awards are awarded to members of the Nebraska Building Chapter and are designed to recognize outstanding projects in five separate categories. The UNL Devaney Steam Line Project, designed by The Schemmer Associates, received an award in the Specialty Contractor category. Working with H&S Plumbing and Heating, General Excavating constructed the infrastructure project designed to support the operation of the renovated Devaney Sports Center and a student dormitory complex.

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HOURLY SERVICE WORK

We are pleased to announce the addition of Jeff Pojar to the Hourly Service Division at General Excavating. Jeff's extensive experience as an equipment operator allows General Excavating to take their service to a higher level. Jeff has been running backhoes, trenchers, skid steers, dump trucks and a variety of other equipment for many years. Whether you are digging footings, trenching conduits, or installing a run of pipe, General Excavating can provide the right piece of equipment for all of your hourly service work.

Working for electricians, homebuilders, plumbers, general contractors, or directly to the owners, Jeff's work background is the perfect fit for the services already offered by General Excavating and will help ensure we remain YOUR "UNDERGROUND" PARTNER.

Hourly Services include directional boring and vacuum excavation, backhoe or bobcat work, trenching, and trucking. For equipment rates or specific services, call Kevin Thiemann toll free at (888) 467-1627 to discuss your project.



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PHOTO of the Quarter

An opportunity for General Excavating's employees to show others the work they perform. Winner's receive cash and have their photo displayed at General Excavating.

DAN LANDON submitted this quarter's winning photograph. A project foreman, Dan has worked at General Excavating for over 8 years. Dan completes a wide variety of directional boring projects for both public and private clients throughout the area.

General Excavating, working for **Black Hills Energy** assisted in the extension of a new gas main by directional boring nearly two thousand feet of 12-inch steel gas pipe. The new gas line is part of Black Hills Energy's infrastructure improvement project in Lincoln, Nebraska.



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