

What's New

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Groundbreaking Ceremony for Lancaster County Courthouse a Milestone Event for Community

A formal groundbreaking ceremony was held earlier this fall for the \$25 million Lancaster County Courthouse in Lancaster, South Carolina, located 40 miles south of Charlotte, North Carolina. The selection of the BE&K Building Group as Construction Manager at Risk for the project was announced in January 2009, and preconstruction efforts commenced shortly thereafter. Our team mobilized on site in August and began sitework immediately.



Existing courthouse (built 1828) in background.

For Lancaster County's legal community, the groundbreaking was a momentous occasion. The last time Lancaster County celebrated such a milestone was in the 1820s — the existing courthouse construction was completed in 1828. Attendees for the 2009 courthouse groundbreaking included dignitaries from local and state government as well as The Honorable Jean Hoefer Toal, Chief Justice of the South Carolina Supreme Court.

Lancaster County's new 100,000-square-foot courthouse will house four courtrooms, jury deliberation rooms, public lobby space, storage for court records, office and support areas, and secure facilities. The third floor will include unfinished space for future expansion. Designed by Stevens & Wilkinson of South Carolina, the courthouse is planned to achieve LEED® certification. Completion is targeted for March 2011.

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