

# Washington State Patrol Toxicology Laboratory Construction Report

October 2022



### **SUMMARY**

The Washington State Patrol (WSP) received funding from the legislature in order to reduce increasing toxicology case backlogs, improve testing turnaround times, and better serve medical examiner, coroners, law enforcement partners, and prosecutors throughout the State of Washington.

A site for a second Toxicology Laboratory was identified in Federal Way and the laboratory design was completed in 2021. The Tenant Lease was executed in August 2022 and construction then began in earnest. Construction is expected to be completed at the end of January 2023 and forensic toxicology testing capabilities are anticipated to start in July 2023.

## **BACKGROUND**

The WSP Toxicology Laboratory is the only accredited forensic toxicology program operating in Washington State, providing toxicology testing under the legal authority of RCW 43.43.752. The Toxicology Laboratory provides all necessary toxicology services requested by all coroners, medical examiners, and prosecuting attorneys.

Since 2012, the Toxicology Laboratory has incurred a 45% increase in forensic casework. Insufficient personnel at the time led to significantly increased turnaround times and the beginning of a backlog. The existence of an increasing backlog and lengthy turnaround times for case completion has resulted in unacceptable delays in medical examiners and coroners signing out death certificates. It has also affected the state's ability to prosecute suspected impaired drivers in a timely manner.

In an attempt to address the increasing backlog and turnaround times, additional permanent personnel were received in the 2019-2021 Operating Budget, the 2020 Supplemental Budget and the 2021-2023 Operating Budget. Funding was also provided in the 2020 Supplemental Budget to construct a second Toxicology Laboratory facility, to purchase necessary instrumentation, to hire additional personnel to staff the laboratory and Division, and assist with the outsourcing of death investigation casework until the second laboratory has been built.

In the 2021-2023 Operating Budget, \$1,334,000 of the general fund-state appropriation for FY2022 and \$2,373,000 of the general fund-state appropriation for FY2023 were provided for facility and staff costs associated with construction of a second toxicology laboratory facility in Federal Way. An additional \$213,000 of the general fund-state appropriation for FY2022 was provided for the outsourcing of death investigation cases to aid in the reduction of the current backlog of cases awaiting toxicology testing.

#### TIMELINE TO DATE

- Site selection for the second Toxicology Laboratory was finalized in September 2020. The laboratory facility will be located in The Sanctuary campus on Weyerhaeuser Way, Federal Way.
- WSP, the Department of Enterprise Services (DES) and the site Developer worked on the Contract/Design/Agreement to Negotiate from October 2020 to September 2021.
- The Design was finalized in September 2021 and the construction proposal went through a competitive bid process. The Developer received final contractor bids in January 2022.
- The Developer projected an initial construction completion date of October 2022.
- Due to the Tenant Lease contract not being signed until August 2022, the Developer revised the projected construction completion date to January 2023.

# **REPORTING REQUIREMENTS IN ESSB 5693**

## 1. List of expenditures:

- The total General Fund funding re-appropriated from FY2021 was \$1,547,000. This funding was to be spent by the end of June 2022:
  - \$1,334,000 of this amount was allocated for facility costs
  - \$213,000 of this amount was allocated for the outsourcing of death investigation cases
- Facility costs: WSP utilized \$1,303,233 of the \$1,334,000 for facility costs. Items purchased
  included three analytical instruments and a variety of equipment and supplies needed to
  conduct casework. Only \$30,767 of the \$1,334,000 remained unspent.
- Outsourcing costs: WSP utilized the full \$213,000 for the outsourcing of approx. 1,000 death investigation cases.
- The total funding appropriated for FY2023 is \$2,373,000. As of August 31, 2022 WSP has utilized \$1,040,556 of this amount for construction and staffing costs.

# 2. List of expenditures yet to be made:

The total funding appropriated for FY2023 is \$2,373,000. As indicated above, WSP has
utilized \$1,040,556 of this amount for construction and staffing costs. The remaining
funding of \$1,332,444 will be spent on further construction/tenant improvement and
staffing costs.

## 3. Updated project timeline with expected end date:

- Construction of the Federal Way Toxicology Laboratory is scheduled to be complete by January 30, 2023.
- Furnishing and outfitting the new laboratory will begin in January and February 2023.
- Per international and national accreditation requirements, validation of all instruments and methods will be performed in approximately March through May 2023.
- Fifteen (15) existing laboratory personnel will relocate to the Federal Way facility during this time period. The remaining seven (7) personnel will begin in the new facility as soon as they are hired (see Question 4 below for further details on these seven positions).
- Evidence will start to be received in approximately June 2023 and forensic testing of casework will begin in approximately July 2023.

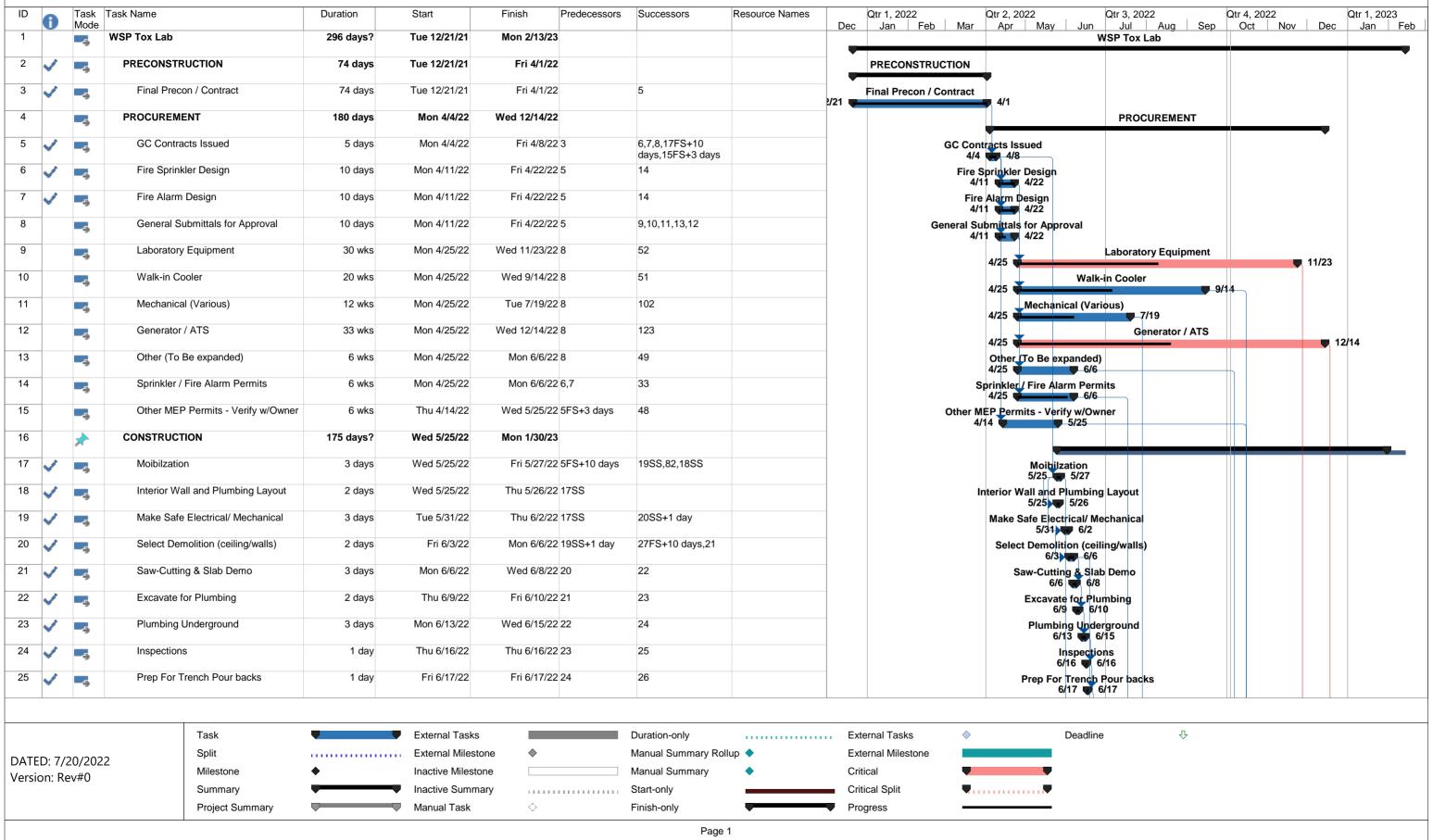
## 4. Other project details:

- Additional funding appropriated in the 2022 Supplemental budget included \$1,193,000 for seven (7) additional FTE's to complete staffing levels in the Federal Way laboratory.
- The seven (7) additional FTE's include: one Laboratory Manager, two Forensic Scientists, one Laboratory Technician, one Property & Evidence Custodian, one Administrative Assistant, and one Forms & Records Analyst:
  - The Property & Evidence Custodian, Administrative Assistant, and Forms & Records Analyst positions are in the interview/polygraph-background stage of hiring.
  - Due to lack of available space in the current Seattle facility, the Laboratory Manager, Forensic Scientists, and Laboratory Technician positions cannot be hired until the Federal Way facility is fully constructed and outfitted. It is anticipated that the hiring process for these positions will begin in December 2022.
- Once hired, all of the above positions will be able to start immediately. The exception to
  this are the two Forensic Scientists who will require extensive training. The two Forensic
  Scientists will be able to contribute to casework approximately 6-9 months after they
  are hired and conduct independent casework approximately 12-15 months after hiring.

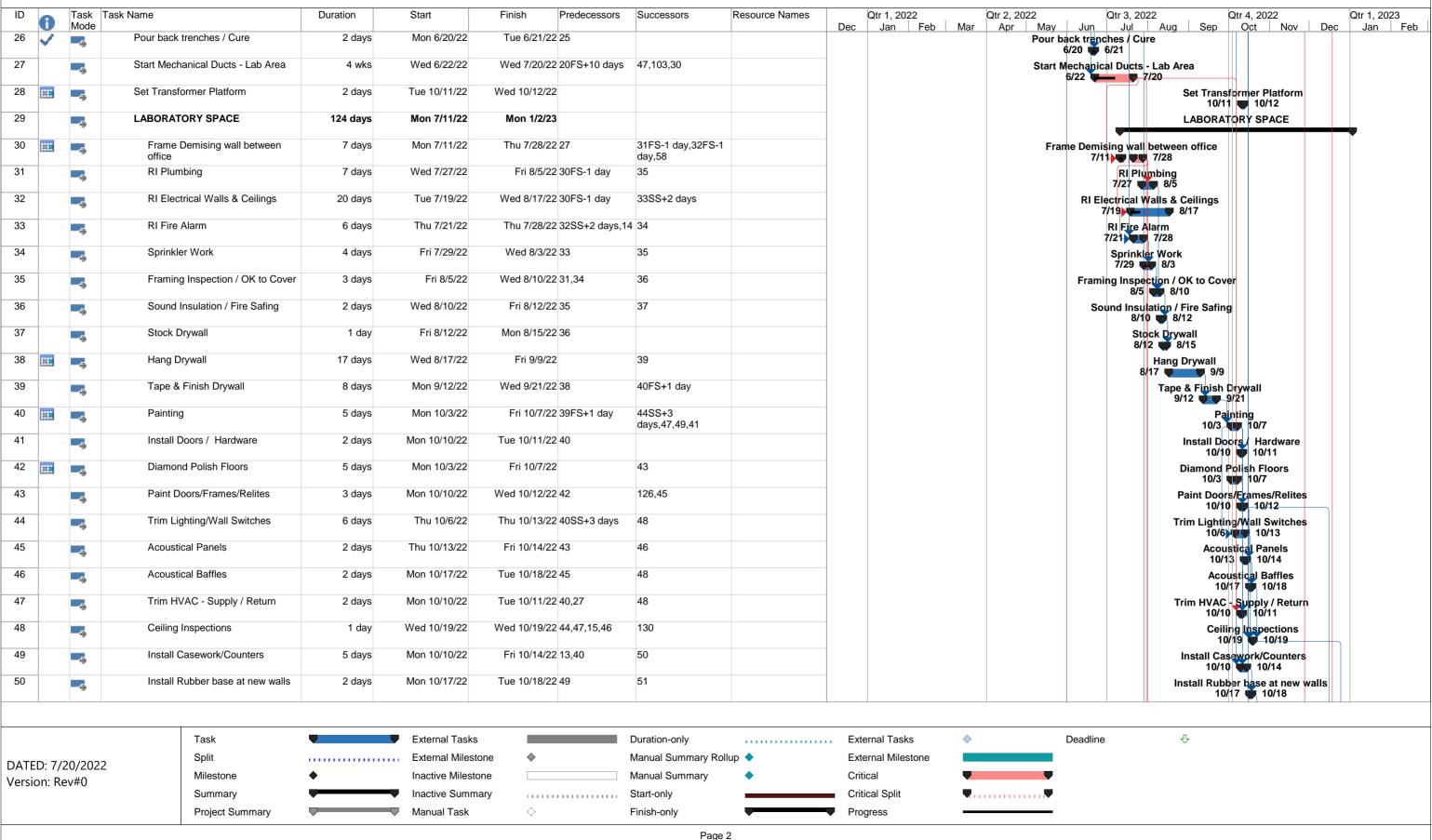
## **CONCLUSION**

WSP remains fully committed to the intent of this legislature-approved project, which is to reduce case backlogs, improve testing turnaround times, and better serve medical examiner/coroners, law enforcement partners, and prosecutors throughout the State of Washington.











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	-	Final Electrical & HAVC Connections	2 wks	Wed 11/30/22	Tue 12/13/22	52	54FS-2 days					I	Final Electrical &	
	-5	Trim Lab Data	2 days	Mon 12/12/22	Tue 12/13/22	53FS-2 days	130,55						Trim	Lab Data 12/13
	-	Install / FE's / Other Appurtences	3 days	Wed 12/14/22	Fri 12/16/22	54	126,56						Install / FE's /	Other Appurte
	-	WSP Lab Equipment	10 days	Mon 12/19/22	Mon 1/2/23	55	133							Lab Equipmei
	5	OFFICE FINISHES	74.75 days	Thu 7/28/22	Thu 11/10/22							OFFICE FINIS		
	-5	Frame New Walls / Set HM Frames	5 days	Thu 7/28/22	Thu 8/4/22	30	59FS-1 day,60FS-1 day				Frame New Wall	s / Set HM Frames 8/4	Ť	
	-5	RI Plumbing	3 days	Wed 8/3/22	Mon 8/8/22	58FS-1 day	61					lumbing 8/8		
	-5	RI Electrical Walls & Fire Alarm	7 days	Wed 8/3/22	Fri 8/12/22	58FS-1 day	61				RI Electrical	Walls & Fire Alarm		
	-5	Framing Inspection / OK to Cover	3 days	Fri 8/12/22	Wed 8/17/22	60,59	62					pection / OK to Co	/er	
	-5	Sound Insulation / Fire Safing	2 days	Wed 8/17/22	Fri 8/19/22	61	63				Sound In	sulation / Fire Safii		
	-5	Stock Drywall	1 day	Fri 8/19/22	Mon 8/22/22	62	64					Stock Drywall 8/19 8/22		
	-	Hang Drywall	4 days	Mon 8/22/22	Fri 8/26/22	63	65					Hang Drywall 8/22 8/26		
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	-	Ceiling Grid Work (as req'd)	3 days	Wed 10/5/22	Fri 10/7/22	66	68					Ceiling Grid	Mork (as req'd) 10/7	
	5	Paint Doors/Frames/Relites	3 days	Mon 10/10/22	Wed 10/12/22	67	126					Paint Doors 10/10	/Frames/Relites	
	-	Trim Lighting/Wall Switches	4 days	Mon 10/3/22	Thu 10/6/22	66SS+3 days	71					Trim Lighting	Wall Switches	
	5	Trim HVAC	2 days	Wed 10/5/22	Thu 10/6/22	66	71					Trim	HVAC 10/6	
	-	Ceiling Inspections	1 day	Fri 10/7/22	Fri 10/7/22	69,70	130,72						nspections	
	-5	Install Ceiling Tiles	2 days	Mon 10/10/22	Tue 10/11/22	71	127,75FS+1 day,73						eiling Tiles	
	-5	Casework/Millwork	2 days	Wed 10/12/22	Thu 10/13/22	72	75,74					Casew	ork/Millwork 10/13	
	-	Trim Data Ports	2 days	Fri 10/14/22	Mon 10/17/22	73	130						Data Ports	
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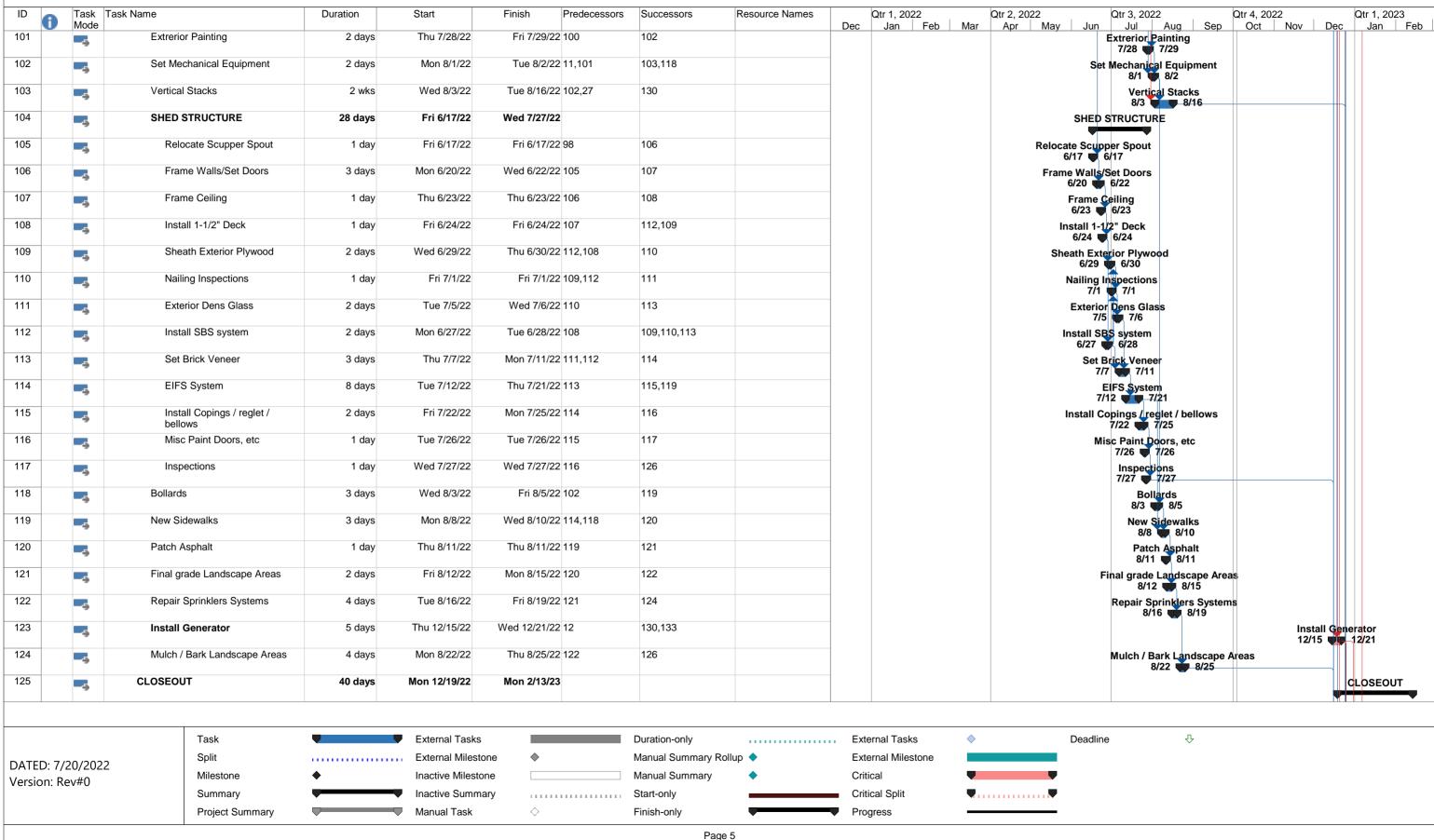
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	-5	Install Doors / Hardware	3 days	Wed 10/26/22	Fri 10/28/22	75FS+1 day	78				Install Doors / Hardware 10/26 10/28
	-5	Install Solid Surface /Countertops	2 days	Mon 10/31/22	Tue 11/1/22	77	79				Install Solid Surface /Countertops 10/31 11/1
	-5	Accessories & Glass	2 days	Wed 11/2/22	Thu 11/3/22	78	80				Accessories & Glass
	-5	Install FE's / Other Appurtences	5 days	Fri 11/4/22	Thu 11/10/22	79	126				Install FE's / Other Appurtences 11/4 11/10
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~	-5	Temp Fence	1 day	Tue 5/31/22	Tue 5/31/22	17	83	-	Temp Fer 5/31 5	ice /31	
~	-5	Strip & Grub Landscape areas	1 day	Tue 6/7/22	Tue 6/7/22	82	84	-	Strip & Grub Lar	dscape area	s
~	-5	Demo Curbs / Asphalt	1 day?	Wed 6/8/22	Wed 6/8/22	83	85		Demo Curbs 6/8	/ Asphalt	
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	-	Footing conflicts with bldg Ftg / Ftg Drain	3 wks	Mon 6/20/22	Mon 7/11/22	85FS+6 days	87		Footing conflict		tg / Ftg Drain
	-5	Rebar Footings	2 days	Tue 7/12/22	Wed 7/13/22	86	91			Rebar Footii 7/12 7/	ngs 13
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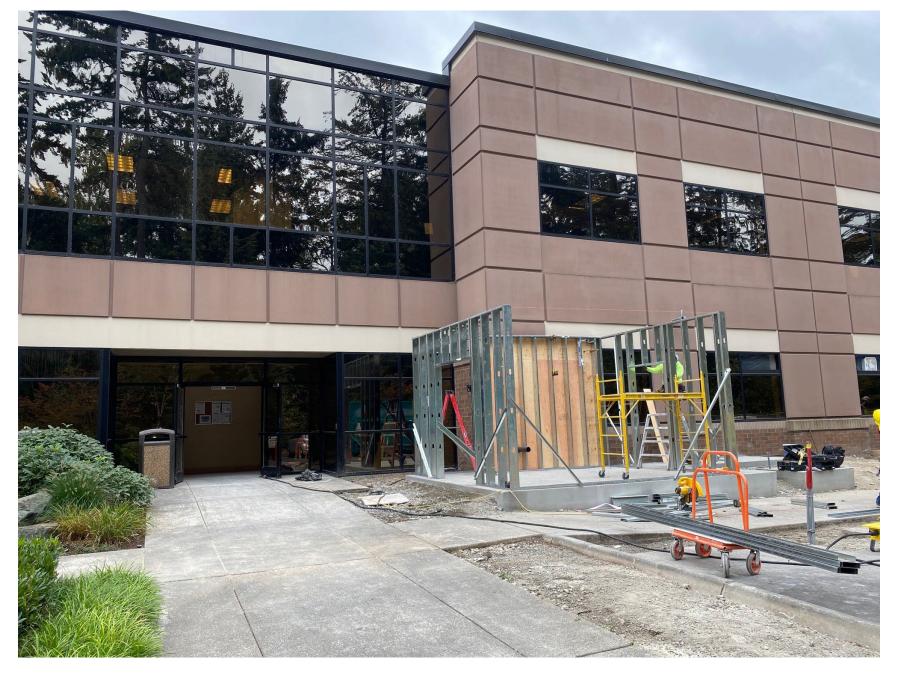


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128		-9	Punchlist	3 days	Tue 12/27/22	Thu 12/29/22	2 127	131,129SS													Pu 12/27	nchlist	t 2/29
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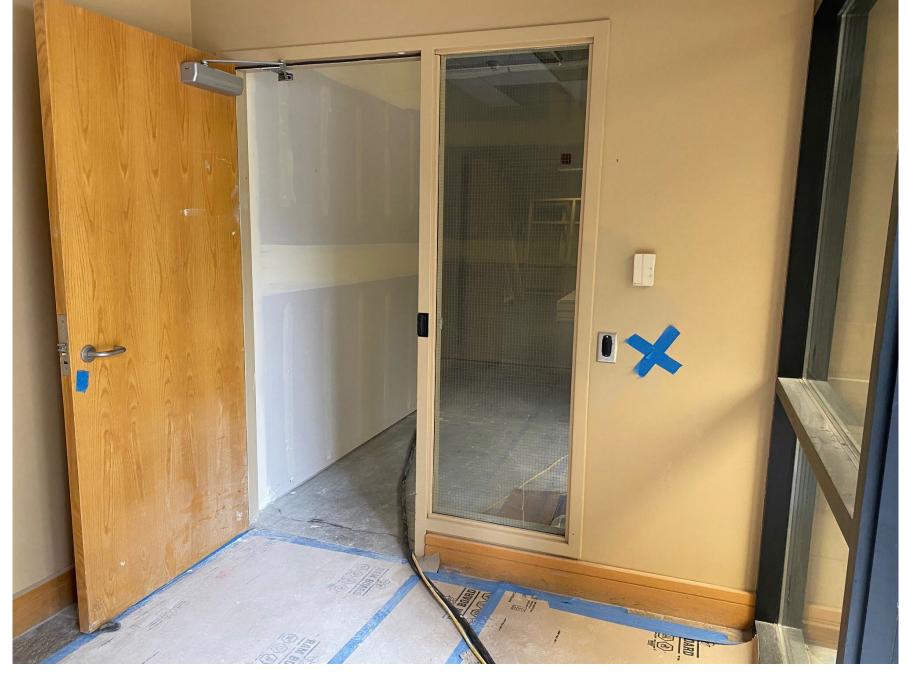
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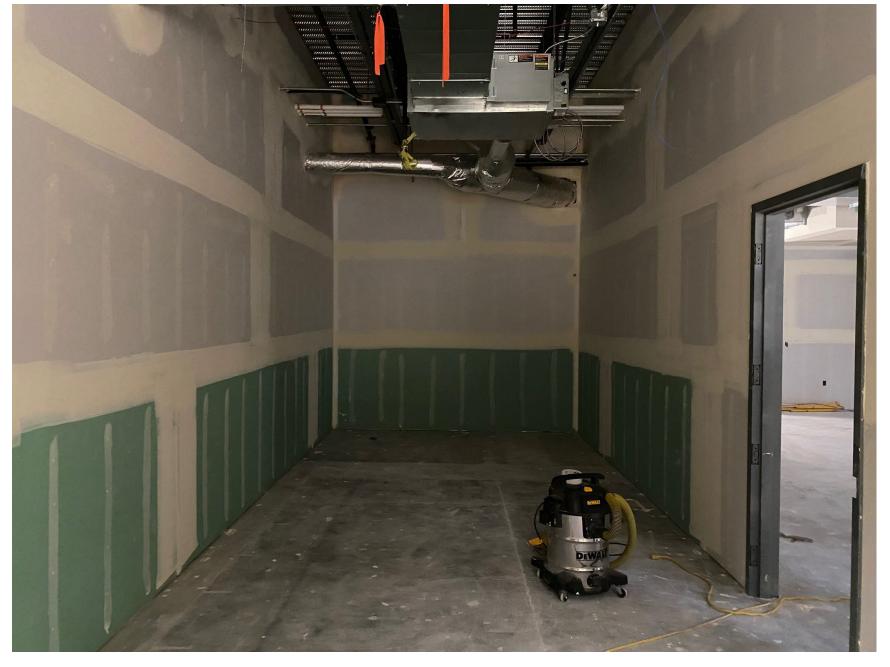
Federal Way Tox Lab – North Building Entrance



Federal Way Tox Lab – South Building Entrance



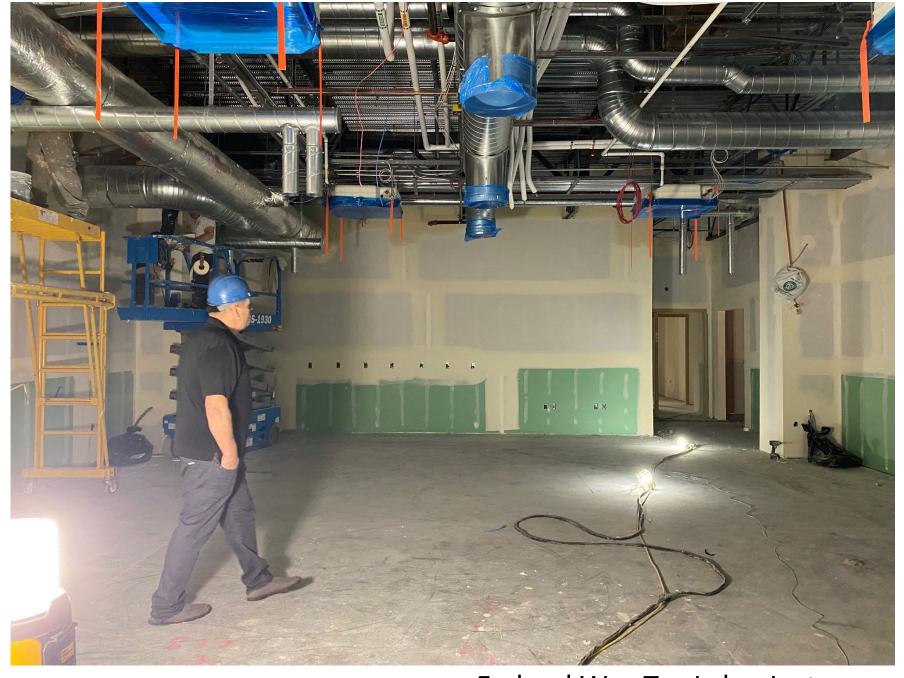
Federal Way Tox Lab – Evidence Drop-Off @ South Entrance



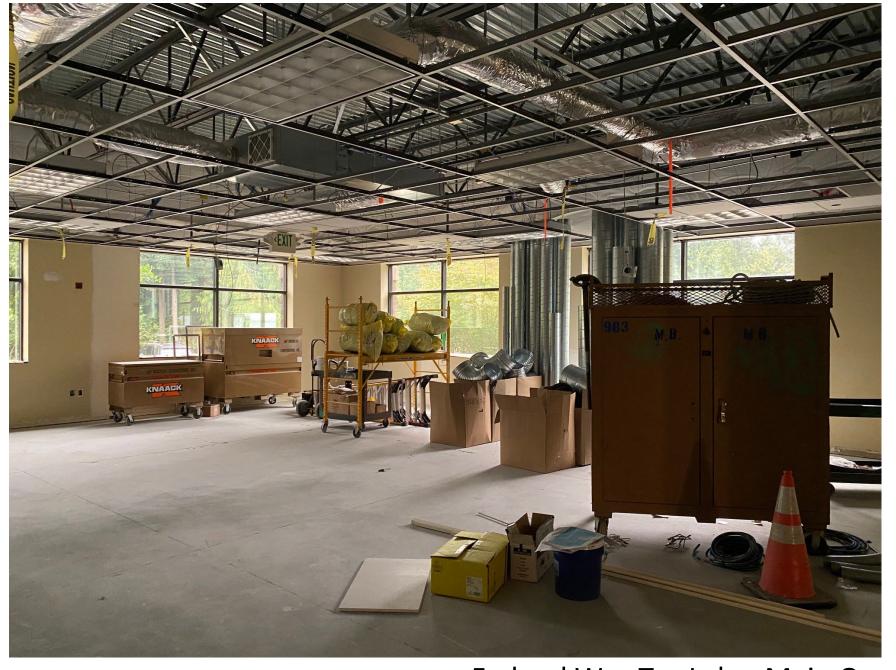
Federal Way Tox Lab – Evidence Walk-in Refrigerator Space



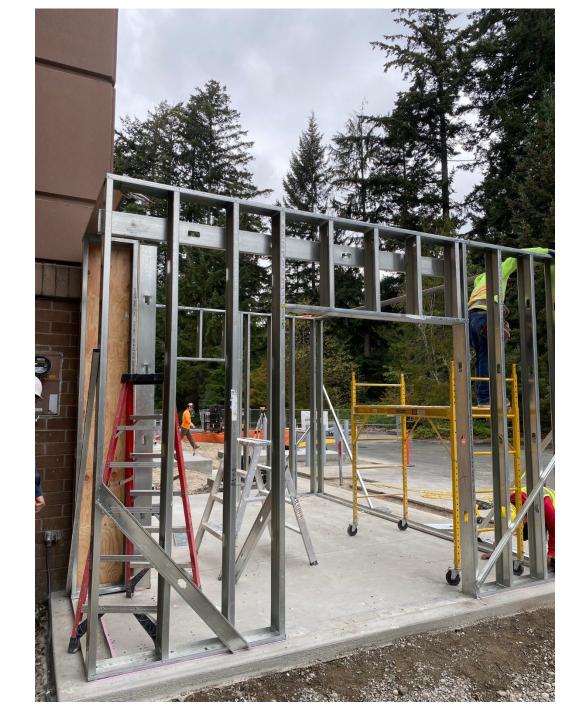
Federal Way Tox Lab – West End of Extraction Lab



Federal Way Tox Lab – Instrument Room



Federal Way Tox Lab – Main Open Office



Federal Way Tox Lab – Conditioned Equipment Shed (N2)