

Bay Bridge Temporary Bypass Project San Francisco, CA

Danny's team including: Van Stott, Alex Williams, Moto Baba and Matt Guillotel, are doing a great job at the Bay Bridge Temporary Bypass Project in San Francisco, CA. They are strongly supported by Local 377 Ironworkers and Local 3 Operating Engineers. Also providing strong support are Foremen: Lenny Bourcy, Joe Byrnes, Clint Carswell, and Jim Dowdy.

The backdrop for this Project is the beautiful Yerba Buena Island in the middle of San Francisco Bay and Oakland Bay. Danny's Construction is building a bridge to help the motoring public get to and from San Francisco from Oakland. The bridge is over land bridging the area from the Yerba Buena tunnel to the existing San Francisco-Oakland Bay truss bridge. This bridge will be used to re-route traffic so the new permanent San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge can be completed. Our customer on this Project is C.C. Myers, Inc.

The project consists of five spans of double deck truss bridges. Each span is about 250 feet long and carries five lanes of traffic in each direction on two levels of bridge decks. The trusses are about 160 feet in the air. The spans are built on falsework that is removed after completion of each truss span. The last span will be a roll-in roll-out span that will roll in one weekend in late 2009. The roll-in span will be completely built on elaborate falsework and skid beams capable of supporting and sliding the 250 foot span of steel trusses and concrete road decks. The span will be ready to receive road traffic at the end of the roll-in weekend.

The job will be about 9000 tons of structural steel when completed. We are also installing the stay-in-place metal deck concrete forms for the road decks on all five spans. This project has been on our horizon for awhile and we are happy to see the results of thorough planning coming to fruition.



300 North LaSalle Chicago, IL



Danny's Construction has teamed up with Clark Construction and Cives Steel to construct what will soon be one of the fifteen tallest buildings in Chicago. 300 North LaSalle will top out at a finished height of 810 feet. The building is located in the heart of downtown Chicago adjacent to the north side of the Chicago River on the east side of LaSalle Street. Upon completion, the structure will be 60 stories with over 1.3 million square feet of office space.

The job site is logistically challenged for all trade activities. The team has worked with limited steel hoisting restrictions and tedious truck access areas. Working with the City and the project's neighbors, Clark Construction was able to make some logistic improvements, enabling the project to maintain schedule.

Recently, Danny's completed erection of the unique transfer truss levels. Advanced work for the transfer trusses included the coordinated installation of six embedded truss plates 3 1/2 inches thick and 47 feet long hoisted through the core's slip form and positioned through the core for the continuation of the bottom and top truss chords with full-pen connections.

Chicago's Ironworkers Local #1 continues to provide Danny's Construction with outstanding workers who are meeting the needs of this fast-paced project. Lead by Frank Samargin along with raising gang foreman Bryan Clementi, detailing foreman, Jeff Barnum, core erection/detailing foreman, Jim Topor, and welding foreman, Ken Bokodi, the entire team is meeting the project's challenges. Danny's Safety Representative, Bob Pierce, is doing an exceptional job coordinating safe work performance on this project. Our Project Manager is Dave Budzius.

Operators Local #150 is providing Danny's Construction with exceptional tower crane operators to handle the erection/hoisting needs with the use of two Potain MR605B electric tower cranes

Danny's technical engineers are on site keeping this 9100 Tons of structural steel right on track. The team expects to top out this project in July and we congratulate them on a job well done!

From the Corner Office



What's New? We are excited to be starting two new projects: one in Columbus, Nebraska for Archer Daniels Midland Co. Inc. and also the Minnesota Twins Stadium Structural Steel Erection with our customer, LeJeune Steel Company.

What's Old? Bridges. Danny's Construction is currently working with Ames Construction to accomplish immediate bridge repairs on the John A. Blatnik Bridge in Duluth, MN. Our bridge retrofit experience, including completed contracts on the Golden Gate Bridge and Chicago Skyway Toll Bridge, makes us an excellent resource to assist in bridge retrofit and repair. We're pretty accomplished at building new bridges too.

What's Changing? Hopefully, all of us. My friends invited us over to watch a movie and I wanted to bring something to share. So, I grabbed a kettle, some oil and some popcorn and brought it to their house. Their young teenager missed the start of the movie because she wanted to watch me make popcorn. She had never seen anyone make popcorn on the stove before and didn't know you could do it that way. My point? Things change at a remarkable pace and in order to make sure we meet our customer's and employee's needs, we need to change too. Think about the training we do in the workplace now and embrace it as a method to improve safety and performance. When I got started in the industry, the person who yelled the loudest was thought to be the best supervisor. Now, a culture of respect is a goal of our workplace as we strive for productivity and efficiency. Keep in mind that entry level employees and colleagues have much to offer and are eager to learn and be challenged. Younger folks, keep in mind that more experienced employees have a trick or two up their sleeves and can be wonderful teachers. Together, with flexibility and change, we can achieve some great results. As an example: try enjoying some real stove top popcorn with real butter together with the latest DVD for a great Friday night!

Alissa Schneider, President

Employee Spotlight

Congratulations are in order!

- ** DCCI Operators Cal Ziegler and James Larson recently completed Load Movement Indicator training at the Manitowoc Facilities in Manitowoc, Wisconsin. By the way: Cal's hire date with DCCI was February of 1979!!
- ** Diane Randolph just passed the exam for Associate Safety Professional (ASP).
- ** Eddy Hirsch will be representing Local #512 apprentice class in September's National Ironworkers Apprentice Competition. Matt Saunders was also chosen by the instructors to participate in the local competition.
- ** Danny's Construction's Chicago based team received a special recognition Award of Excellence for the Flyover Ramp WB I-80/94 project from the Illinois Road and Transportation Builders Association.



The day shift crew at the American Girl project at the Mall of America. These guys were quick to point out that the Night Shift crew deserved kudos for this project and we apologize that we didn't get over there to snap their photo too. Both crews worked together to complete this PCL project at their usual speedy pace.



Danny's crew working on Duluth's John A. Blatnik Bridge Repair Project. This group includes long-term employees and some second generation ironworkers whose family members were key employees in the earliest days of Danny's Construction. Their families should be proud of their work on this project!

Employee Training/Growth Matrix !!
Ask your supervisor how you can earn a DCCI Carhartt Jacket!

Fun Fact: How many different "DCCI" and Danny's hats are displayed on the shelf in Alissa's office??



Answer: 18