



New Samaritan hospital coming to Lincoln City

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Documenting Our Plan

We continue to make impressive progress on the new Samaritan North Lincoln Hospital replacement building project, with many staff members and design/build team members busy in the background.

One important step that was accomplished last week was the completion of the schematic design report. This 80-page written report provides an incredible amount of detail on every aspect of our new hospital's operations, its interior and exterior design, its physical structure and the mechanical, electrical and plumbing system requirements, also known as MEP. MEP covers such things as heating, ventilation, air conditioning, electrical systems, interior and exterior lighting, fire alarms, plumbing, fire protection systems, medical gases and more.

Design Development Meetings Delayed

Speaking of MEP, Chris Lemar, director of Engineering here at SNLH and our onsite project manager, reports that MEP trade partners have been selected. Because MEP systems have a huge impact on building infrastructure and represent a significant portion of the budget, the design development meetings that were scheduled to begin the week of Oct. 23 will be delayed. Design development refers to the next step in the process, in which precise details about the design are decided -- which way doors open, where electrical receptacles, equipment and furnishings should be placed in each department, and so forth.

"The reason for this postponement is to allow the mechanical and electrical engineers to catch up to the progress we have made in the design process," Lemar said. "The engineer, designers and contractor will spend the next three weeks taking a deep dive into the MEP design approach to make sure that all of the details have been accounted for and that we have a good basis of design."

Campus Design

The drawing below shows the campus design with landscaping. It is so exciting to imagine what the campus will look like when hundreds of trees, shrubs and grasses are growing and abloom! Items marked with (1) are bioswales, which are marshy drainage areas, (2) rain garden, (3) footbridges, (4) building landscaping, (5) café garden, (6) buffer planning, and (7) north drive screening.

