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Hello everyone! Our summer workload is in full swing, and it's very evident with the amount of truck traffic in and out of the yard. It seems that in the last couple weeks we really turned the corner and made

some considerable progress on several projects. I'd like to get out to the projects more, but it seems there is always something going on at the office that interferes with my plans.

This past week I was down in Lisbon to touch base with Nathan about some of the coordination efforts related to closing highway 27 & Main Street in Lisbon. After our meeting, it was off to Fargo to meet with a couple of our key subcontractors to make sure they were on board with the plan. While I was in Lisbon, it was raining so, unfortunately, I only got to see a few of crew. There is a tremendous amount of talent on the project and Nathan has everyone producing very well. Derek mentioned last night that Ryan Cavanaugh was going to be available in the coming days. Ryan's skills with the reinforcing would take a lot of pressure off him. Ryan, for good reason, is very respected amongst his co-workers, which is very telling of one's abilities in this industry. Nathan has mentioned several times how much he has appreciated having Mr. Schmitz stick around to help "Dale In" the flood wall columns as well. Everyone I spoke with on the project was very complimentary of each other. It's refreshing to hear good things about both our experienced hands and people who are new to the company. You are all doing a fantastic job out there. Keep it up!

Doug and his crew have begun taking delivery of the structural steel beams on the Lower Brule Project. The prestressed concrete beam industry has taken a huge bite out of the structural steel market as it pertains to the bridge industry. Steel beam bridges are becoming increasingly rare and knowledgeable inspectors are more rare than structural steel bridges. Bob worked hard with the inspection team to work the kinks out of the plan while Doug and his crew are implementing the plan to perfection getting some steel in the air. I'm looking forward to seeing this project completed.

I'm hoping to make it to see Jim and his crew in Yankton as they progress towards a deck on their current project. The slab that they are building will be a masterpiece when completed. The crew has done a very good job keeping costs down despite the unavoidable setbacks they have encountered. I'm looking forward to visiting this talented group in the very near future.

Pat and his crew pounded through the Sheyenne project to get closer to familiar Minnesota country. I believe the crew will enjoy their new surroundings. I hope to see everyone in the coming weeks while we work hard towards securing new projects.



Setting beams at Lower Brule

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