



March 2023 Newsletter

News & Updates



Women in Construction Week: March 5 - 11

It's important to teach young girls that they are capable of anything, and that includes showing them being represented in predominantly male fields. Knowing that someone like you was able to complete something you desire makes it easier for you to envision yourself in that position.



Tornado Season is Coming.. Are you Ready?

The Southeast region of the United States is no stranger to natural disasters of any kind. Hurricanes, floods, and tornadoes come annually, and each year seems to be more devastating than the last. A Fox Blocks safe room provides the resiliency to resist a combination of severe weather events – hurricanes, tornado, floods, and fires. The military has successfully tested and recognized ICFs for resistance to explosions. The properties of Fox Blocks do not

promote mold or mildew growth and create a safe indoor air environment. Fox Blocks is compliant to the high wind standards of ICC 500 and FEMA P-361 Click button below for more info.

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Commercial Business Development Team Changes

Fox Blocks has a dedicated large-scale commercial project team that works tirelessly to bring the development, design and commercial construction industry an extremely efficient building envelope with superior strength, sound, air quality and double-insulated walls. We have a change to announce regarding the two person team. Randy Daniels continues to work on all projects on the West coast in the U.S.



We are both delighted and disheartened to announce D.C. Mangimelli's retirement from Fox Blocks by Airlite Plastics Co. D.C.'s last day is March 31st, 2023. In his most recent role as Business Development Advisor, Eastern U.S. D.C. handled spearheading and bidding on commercial projects. He has been a tremendous employee for Airlite Plastics Co., and has certainly left his mark on the entire ICF industry! D.C. has proven to be a key influencer, a visionary, a leader and most



importantly a role model, we will be forever thankful and we will miss you! We wish you the very best in your retirement!

Justice Olson is D.C.'s successor. Justice joined Airlite Plastics Co. and the Fox Blocks Team December 1, 2021. He comes with 25 years of construction industry experience, with the last 17 years being dedicated to improving the design and construction process in the ICF Industry. Justice's commitment to promoting and educating Architects, Engineers and Installers has resulted in successful projects throughout North America.

Featured Blogs

How to Assess
Contractors for Building
with ICFs



Tips for Building a Storm-
Resistant Home in
Oklahoma



A More Reliable
Alternative to Road
Dust Control Oil



One of the biggest issues currently facing the country is the lack of skilled labor to build residential and commercial projects. The demand has influenced the overall market for not only labor costs but on the quality of work.

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Oklahoma is known for its rich Native American history, oil production, and unfortunately for its severe weather.

The state is part of the infamous Tornado Alley, which stretches across the Great Plains and is home to some of the most active tornado regions in the world.

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Though relatively new to the market by comparison, permeable pavers, like the TRUEGRID PRO PLUS, have quickly become the preferred method for dust control when the situation allows for it.

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FEATURED PROJECTS

Alachua County Tax Collector's Office, Gainesville FL



Project Highlights

- Total Sq. Ft.: 16,624
- Total Fox Blocks Use: 6,696 SF
- Total Construction: 50 weeks
- ICF Installation: 20 days

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University of California, Santa Cruz



Project Highlights

- Four large permeable parking lots installed at the new Marine Biology Building
- 120,000 SF PRO PLUS
- Base Rock: 3/4" Clean Limestone
- Fill: 3/8 Crushed Granite

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Upcoming Live Installer Trainings

Upcoming Primary Installer LIVE Classroom Trainings:

2/28 Cemstone Supply, Mankato, MN 9AM-3PM

3/1 Cemstone Supply, St. Cloud, MN 9AM-3PM

3/2 Cemstone Supply, River Falls, WI 10AM-3PM

3/8 Cemstone Supply, Rochester, MN 9AM-3PM

3/9 Cemstone Supply, Owatonna, MN 9AM-3PM

3/23 Carroll Supply Marion, IA 9AM-3PM

3/30 TBD Fairbanks, AK 8AM-Noon

Trade Shows | Events

3/1 - 3/2 Natural Disasters Expo Booth # 874 Miami, FL

3/5 - 3/7 IRMCA 74th Annual Convention & Trade Show Table #6, Riverside IA

3/8 - 3/9 ASBDA Expo Booth # 915 Halifax, NS

3/8 - 3/10 SSA Spring Conf. & Trade Show Booth # 524 New Orleans

3/14 - 3/18 ConExpo-Con/AGG Booth #22134 Las Vegas

3/14 Clean and Green Sustainability Conference & Expo Portland, OR

3/16 Clean and Green Sustainability Conference & Expo Denver, CO

3/17 Midwest Great Lakes Conference and Trade Show, Columbus OH

3/28 - 3/30 Atlantic Builders Convention and Show Booth #333, Atlantic City, NJ

3/30- 4/1 Mid-America Trucking Show Booth #64204 Louisville, KY

* Shows listed in red are Fox Blocks primary or only, green are TRUEGRID primary or only.

Resources

The [Insulating Concrete Forms Manufacturers Association](#) (ICFMA) Prescriptive ICF Design for Part 9 Structures in Canada is now available on our website.

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