# UCB - Heathcock Hall College of Chemistry NEWSLETTER



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## **TOP NEWS**

Ongoing work at our Heathcock Hall project site has the following work scheduled through the summer:

#### Link Demolition Completed:

Demolition of the Link wrapped successfully on Saturday, June 21, 2025.

#### **Old Latimer Air Intake Demolition:**

Demolition of the concrete structure will take place starting Wednesday, June 25, through Wednesday, July 2.

#### Earthwork Adjacent to Lewis Hall Begins:

The Heathcock Hall Foundation requires excavation adjacent to Lewis Hall. The first level of off-haul begins July 8-11 2025, with three subsequent levels scheduled every other week through mid-August.

Lewis Hall occupants are advised that this work may cause increased noise & vibration due to excavation and additional heavy equipment in close proximity to Lewis.

#### **Steam Line Installation and Latimer Shutdown:**

Installation of the new steam line begins July 1, 2025 and will continue through Labor Day. Latimer Hall will experience a 2-3 week steam line shutdown from the mid to end of August as part of this work. We are working with the CoC to limit the impacts of this extended shutdown.

## **Potential for Lab Disruption**

## **Areas of Work**

**Old Latimer Air Intake** Demolition

#### **Pimentel Plaza**

Selective Slab Demolition Needed for Steam Line Installation

**Adjacent Lewis Hall** Excavation of Lifts for the Soil Nail Wall

**Upper Site - University Dr/Gayley Rd** Pouring the Temporary Power Pad

Setting Electrical Switchgear

Installing Soil Nails for the Permanent Soil Nail Wall

### **Noise Forecast**

- 06/23/25-06/27/25: Noise Level High
- 6/30/25-07/04/25: Noise Level Medium
- 07/07/25-07/11/25: Noise Level Medium
- 07/14/25-07/18/25: Noise Level Medium
- 07/21/25-07/25/25: Noise Level Medium

### July 2025 Schedule

**Pimentel Plaza Selective Demolition** Date: [06/23/25-6/27/25] High Impact

Installing Metal Platform/Ladders & Slab on Metal Deck Above Steam Vault Dates: [06/12/25-07/14/25] Medium Impact

Pouring Temporary Power Pad & Setting Electrical Switchgear Dates: [07/02/25-07/10/25] Low Impact

New Steam Line Installation: [ 07/01/25-07/30/25] Steam Vault Tie Ins & Balance of Steam Line: [07/31/25-08/31/25] Medium Impact

#### Permanent Soil Nail Wall

Soil nail installation will continue through mid August 2025. High Impact

#### Lewis Hall Underpinning

Dates: [07/29/25-08/15/25] Underpinning of Lewis may be required once footings are exposed. High Impact

#### Demolition and Vibration Equipment Being Used (Potential Lab and Equipment Impacts)



Low Impact



Medium Impact



High Impact

### **Project Progress Photos & Updates**



Overhead View of our Project Site



**Temporary Power Installation Progress** 



Overhead View of the Permanent Soil Nail Wall - Level 2

## **Questions or Concerns**

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#### Latimer-Lewis Link Demolition:

We've made great progress through the Link demolition. We've demolished the two building levels previously connecting Latimer and Lewis, the supporting columns beneath them, and the connecting bridge. We are in the process of off-hauling. See next page for a closer look at the Link demolition.

#### Temporary Power Feeder Installation & Pad Excavation:

We had a partial lane closure along Gayley Road to install the temporary power feeders and conduit. These are running underground along the temporary shoring wall. We have installed rebar cages around the conduit and this will be encased in concrete next week. We have also excavated the pad the temporary power equipment will be sitting on.

#### Permanent Soil Nail Wall:

We have completed Level 2 of the permanent soil nail wall and will begin Level 3 next week.

## **Project Milestones**

- Air Intake Relocation April 2025 Complete
- Egress Stairs at Latimer Hall May 2025 Complete
- Lewis and Latimer Link Demo June 2025 Complete
- Relocation of Steam Line August 2025
- Make Ready Phase Complete August 2025
- Retaining Wall Complete July 2025
- Start Structural Steel December 2025
- Start Exterior Facade January 2026
- Structural Top Out March 2026
- Exterior Skin Complete July 2026
- Elevators Operational September 2026
- Street Improvements Complete September 2026
- Phase 2 Complete May 2027

## **A Closer Look at the Link Demolition**



Structural Demolition of the Link - Progress Photo #1



Structural Demolition of the Link - Progress Photo #3



Structural Demolition of the Link - Progress Photo #2



Structural Demolition of the Link - Progress Photo #4

## Please see the following:

**Scheduled Work Near Labs Google Sheet**