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Dear FM Team,

Today I have a couple of current projects I'd like to highlight managed by Project Manager Harrison Bridge of FM's Remodel & Construction Services section. But first, I'd like to remind employees of the recent update to the third floor of the General Services Building (GSB). Some of you may not have seen the renovated location for the Engineering and Capital Construction section yet. The large GSB conference room (previously GSB 303 conference room) received a technology update that allows for hybrid in-person/virtual meetings and is now called the Green Conference Room. The smaller conference room adjacent to it (previously GSB 305 conference room) is now called the Gold Conference Room. As part of the overall remodel and move, the wall between GSB 303 and GSB 305 was removed, and storefront offices were added to the east side of the space. It is now one large space rather than two rooms. The central portion of the room now houses a systems furniture piece with two reception areas (front and back), and work space for student interns and the engineering team. Refer to the *Facilities Focus* summer newsletter for more details.

There are two current remodels to be aware of that are occurring in Facilities Management North this summer. The design studio project that began at the end of June and is just wrapping up. The new design allows for up to six occupants to work in the space. It creates a landing spot for FM employees with hybrid in-person/remote work schedules, providing shared work stations and seating. Sometimes this is referred to as "office hoteling." The door was relocated as part of the reconfiguration and a couple of partitions were added to create a slightly more private but still open-office concept. There will be four permanent users (most part-time or hourly), with five of the six desks available for rotational use as needed. Savannah Romero, Steve Helburg, and the Accounting student employees will be permanently located in this room. However, with the part-time schedules of some of the users, those desks will also be available for rotational use. Stephanie Swanson said, "When we get to a point that the need arises, we will be developing an online calendar to reserve the desks." For more information, please reach out to Harrison or Stephanie.

The second project occurring in FM North is an inclusive restroom project. The men's restroom around the corner from the lock shop will be updated to ADA standards by relocating the urinals and creating one larger stall, instead of two smaller stalls. A new two station sink will be installed in place of the old foot operated sink to meet ADA standards. The men's restroom close to the Key Desk will then be converted to an all gender single-stall restroom with an adult changing station, and will meet ADA requirements as well. Harrison reports that the design was started in mid-May and construction begins this week with completion projected by mid-September.



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