

APS Design-Build Middle School

Bradbury Stamm is required to meet the LEED Silver for Schools certification; however, the Bradbury Stamm staff is working to achieve the **Gold** standard through creative strategy and by being able to work with the architect as a team through the process.

The design/build team has some special strengths coming together for this project. The APS owner representative on the design/build team is Janet Lacy, who had design/build experience in Los Alamos, NM. The Architect firm of Dekker/Perich/Sabatini brings the most experience in LEED projects in New Mexico to the success of the team. Finally, Bradbury Stamm has extensive experience with design/ build school projects including the following: Rio Rancho Mid-High School, Rio Rancho High School, and Baca D'lo Ay Azhi School (the first LEED certified school in New Mexico). The latter project was a Corps. Of Engineers/BIA joint project.

As the project is Design/Build with a deadline of being ready for the 2009/2010 school year, construction must progress aggressively. This is truly a Fast Track project. In order to expedite the construction while design is underway, the permitting for this project has been segmented into eight separate permits which required coordination with the City of Albuquerque Permitting Office.

The construction site involves geology unique to the Albuquerque west mesa—Basalt rock and very fine sand. This required approximately 3000 CY of rock blasting and removal for the building pads and utilities. After that work was performed, the foundation areas were over-excavated. Suitable materials were then placed and compacted. Construction is well underway. The construction includes significant metal framing with drywall, stucco and aluminum panels.

This project is being followed with great interest by many in the community and in the construction industry and Bradbury Stamm is proud to be a part of what we know will be a trend setting project for APS, the City of Albuquerque, and the rest of the New Mexico Community. Janet Lacey, the Project Manager for APS has presented the project in a very favorable light at the Design Build Institute of America (DBIA) convention.

Location.....Albuquerque, NM
OwnerAlbuquerque Public Schools
ArchitectDekker/Perich/Sabatini
Size169,410 sf
Cost.....\$36,123,750
Anticipated Completion June 1, 3009

