



Salem Hospital construction update

Feb. 2, 2007

Steel has arrived!

The first of the steel for the new patient-care tower was erected on Monday, Jan. 29.

For about three months, expect to see three to five trucks delivering steel each day, using the construction entrance on Mission Street SE. Be cautious of truck traffic if you are walking or traveling in this area.

There are now 21 ironworkers on site, welding the steel into position. Even though you won't be close to the welding, it's still a *not a* good idea to stop and watch the welding in progress.

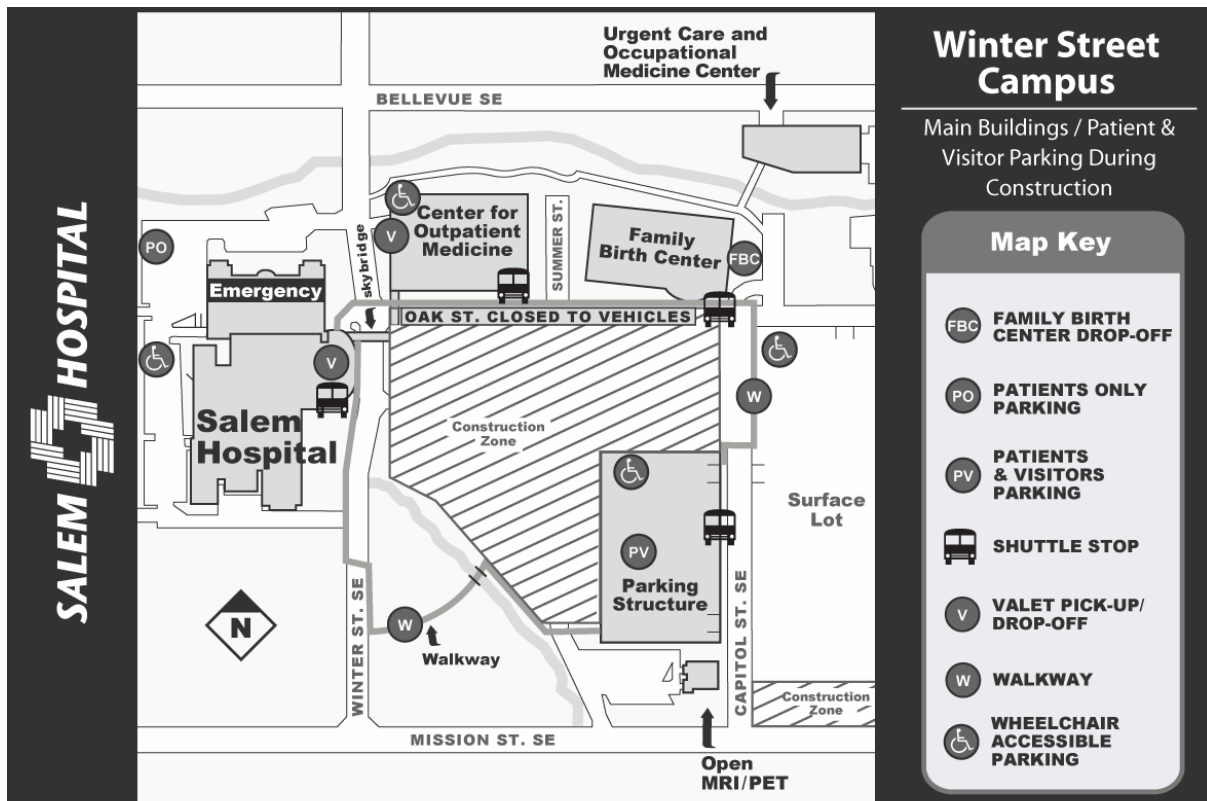
The noise level from the steel work should be limited to the sound of tools banging on bolts.

Basement concrete will wrap up soon

The construction crews expect to finish pouring the final large slab of concrete for the floor of the garage level of the new tower this week. A few smaller areas will need to be filled in later.

Backfilling

Backfilling and waterproofing the outside of the north side of the tower has begun.



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