

Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.
New Construction, Renovation & Special Projects
Nationwide



Client: Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.

Role: General Contractor

Project:

New Construction

Rockton, IL - Chris Michael Rhea, AIA
Joliet, IL - PB2 Architecture and Engineering
Freeport, IL - The Benham Companies
Waukesha, WI - The Benham Companies

Expansion & Renovation

Joliet, IL - PB2 Architecture and Engineering
Bolingbrook, IL - PB2 Architecture

Large Renovation to Add Grocery

Crestwood, IL - The Benham Companies
Niles, IL - The Benham Companies

Renovation

Wisconsin Dells, WI (Renovation) - Perkowitz & Ruth Architects
Paris, IL (Renovation) - Scott & Goble Architects
Woodburn, OR (Renovation) - Shade Lawrence O'Quinn
Shelton, WA (Renovation) - PB2 Architecture and Engineering
Ottumwa, IA (Renovation) - PB2 Architecture and Engineering
Indianapolis, IN (Renovation) - John R. Roberts, Architect
Benton Harbor, MI (Renovation) - Ronald D. Rees, Architect



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International Contractors' relationship with Wal-Mart Stores Inc. first began in 2006. Since that time, ICI has successfully completed new construction, expansion and renovation projects at 15 locations across the United States.

Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. goes to great lengths to incorporate "Green" elements in their retail stores. Through this initiative, ICI has been involved in the purchasing, coordination and installation of many sustainable elements and have been able to integrate them into other projects throughout our portfolio. One of the mandatory Green Initiatives that Wal-Mart insists upon is mandatory SWPPP Certification for all Field Superintendents. Their SWPPP guarantees environmental compliance with EPA and also incorporates procedures for air quality control.

February 2010 - October 2010: Crestwood, Illinois, Large Renovation & Expansion to Add Grocery

The renovation and expansion of this 150,000 SF retail store in Crestwood, Illinois will be completed in ten phases of construction. Completing this project successfully will require heavy coordination with operations staff and strict scheduling and safety considerations to accommodate customers while the store maintains operations. Many temporary modifications will be made including an alternate entrance, moving the vision center to a double-wide trailer during construction, and creating an interim customer service area. Dust walls will be constructed to separate customer and non-customer areas and to intermittently house merchandise. The site work is also phased to accommodate pedestrians and traffic patterns and includes new grease traps, sanitary service, electrical service, independent bale and pallet storage and a water service relocation.

The primary purpose of the renovation is to incorporate a larger grocery area into the existing footprint while deleting the existing automotive center. Grocery provisions include a new compressor house along with new walk-in coolers, freezers and refrigerated cases. Refrigeration, electrical, and EMS lines are fed underground through refrigeration pits buried in exposed integrally colored concrete slabs. The refrigeration equipment requires an additional electrical distribution center fed from a new main switchboard.

February 2010 - October 2010: Niles, Illinois, Large Renovation & Expansion to Add Grocery

Similar to the Crestwood store, the Niles remodel is primarily being conducted to incorporate a new, larger, grocery area into the footprint of the existing store and includes many of the same features of construction. This project is also being carefully scheduled through ten separate phases of construction in order to maintain daily operations of the store. Temporary facilities for this project include an interim courtesy desk and temporary protection for the asset protection equipment racks. ICI will schedule multiple shifts of supervision and labor forces to accommodate night work throughout the project.

October 2009 - August 2010: Bolingbrook, Illinois, Expansion & Renovation

This expansion and renovation project includes a 42,677 sf addition to the existing store, which will bring the total square footage of the building to 156,763. The addition to this store will house new sales areas and stockrooms while the existing sales area will be converted to a new grocery area. Work will include new roofing, roof top units, air handlers, electrical rooms and offices. The existing store will also be renovated including new painting and tile throughout the store.

October 2009 - September 2010: Waukesha, WI, New Construction

ICI recently began the construction of this 140,000 SF new Wal-Mart Supercenter in October, 2009. In addition to the typical retail store requirements, the scope of work also includes reclaiming a site contaminated by a concrete products manufacturing company. ICI will be decontaminating the site and replacing it with a new Wal-Mart Store and green areas to include a retention pond. The scope of work also includes constructing two pad sites for future development. Approximately 1.5 miles of highway development will begin in the spring of 2010.

April 2007 - December 2007: Joliet, Illinois, New Construction

For International Contractors' third Wal-Mart Supercenter project, our team completed this 205,000 SF building in 35 weeks, skimming three (3) weeks off the original construction schedule. Despite a late construction start due to permit delays and an unseasonably rainy spring, our construction team was able to meet Wal-Mart's deadline for Grand Opening. Challenges included brick and block construction instead of the typical pre-cast method used by Wal-Mart and the discovery of unsuitable soils during construction. Moreover, the team also completed installation of 518,400 SF of parking lot in three (3) weeks.



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March 2007 - December 2007: Freeport, Illinois, New Construction

In December 2007, ICI completed construction of a 197,885 SF new supercenter in 36 weeks. This store is a prototype store and currently serves as a training center for many Wal-Mart Store Planners and Employees.

October 2006 - October 2007: Joliet, Illinois, Expansion & Renovation

This four (4) wall expansion, multi-phased, project included adding 71,450 SF of addition to an existing 215,000 SF Supercenter while maintaining daily store operations. Two avoid disruption and protect the public temporary barricades were constructed around all active construction areas.

March 2006 - February 2007: Rockton, Illinois, New Construction

This new, 203,000 SF, supercenter was completed in 49 weeks. Delays in municipality permitting led to accelerated schedules, but ICI was up to the challenge and able to meet the tight schedule. During construction, ICI's team also completed \$2.2 Million in IDOT road work in just 10 weeks. This project was the first store in the Midwest Region to incorporate a new high-efficiency HVAC system, which is 15% more efficient than standard systems.

Level 2 Renovations

August 2008 - October 2008: Wisconsin Dells, WI

February 2009 - April 2009: Paris, IL

March 2009 - May 2009: Woodburn, OR

March 2009 - May 2009: Shelton, WA

May 2009 - July 2009: Ottumwa, IA

May 2009 - July 2009: Indianapolis, IN

March 2010 - May 2010; Benton Harbor, IL

Level 2 Renovations of Wal-Mart stores typically include the remodel of areas which may include pharmacy, customer service, service centers, training areas, TLE, tire/battery storage, garden center, rest rooms, photo lab, offices, grocery and vision centers. The majority of the work takes place at night as not to interrupt on-going operation of the store. Many projects take place at 24 hour operational stores that require additional temporary protection and site safety practices to protect customers. These projects are completed on very tight 9 - 10 week schedules, and Wal-Mart requires the projects to be completely closed out, including change orders and closeout documents, within thirty (30) days of completion of work. Successfully completing these projects on-time requires a 100% "complete as you go" mentality to turn over each area within the allotted time frame.



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