



## News Release

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### **West Coast Contractors Expanding Workforce**

*Three new employees hired, three new positions available*

#### **COOS BAY, OR – September 2011 – West Coast Contractors (WCC)**

([www.westcoastcontractors.com](http://www.westcoastcontractors.com)) continues to expand and is pleased to announce the addition of three new employees and three new job openings as well. New to the WCC team are: Ron Kutch, IT manager; Jake Sweet, construction engineer and Julian Koerner, assistant construction manager. Each brings valuable industry experience and a commitment to grow with the flourishing company. New positions available include: mining superintendant, project superintendant and shop manager.

“Great employees are the most important asset of our company,” WCC President and CEO David Kronsteiner said. “We are committed to expanding our services and adding the best people available to help us grow.”



“It is unusual for a company our size to have full-time IT staff. However, West Coast Contractors isn’t like other construction companies. Our leadership sees the value in using technology to its fullest. Our estimating and project management systems are running on Microsoft servers, and our accounting and office staff have the latest technology. Our project managers, job superintendents and foremen are all issued laptops which connect to our systems from anywhere there is a cell phone signal. We literally have foremen in a crane, on a barge, in the bay connected to the home office. Technology provides efficiencies that make us

more effective and more competitive in our marketplace.” – Ron Kutch, IT Manager



“Over the past five years, I have had multiple experiences in the construction industry beginning in high school. After my freshman year of college, I spent two years as an intern for a heavy civil contractor where the basics of dirt work, asphalt, and estimating were learned. Following the heavy civil contractor job, I received a position with a local Indian tribe as an intern. There I helped create a tribally owned construction company and went on to work for them until December 2010 when I took a position with West Coast Contractors as an Intern at the NOAA MOC-P pier. Following my

graduation in construction engineering management in June of 2011, I was hired as a construction



engineer by WCC where I have been assisting in managing multiple projects.” – Jake Sweet, Construction Engineer



“I have over eight years experience in the construction industry. It started in high school and college working as a carpenter and concrete finisher for approximately five years part-time for a residential/ light commercial contractor in Rapid City, SD. Additionally, I spent two years as a project engineer and estimator working for a general contractor in the underground utilities, concrete paving, bridge, and structures industries. Following the completion of my master’s degree, I took the position as assistant construction manager with West Coast Contractors in June 2010. Since this time, I have been involved in multiple projects, most

notably as the project manager for construction NOAA MOC-P Pier.” – Julian Koerner, Assistant Construction Manager

WCC is well known for construction projects in challenging locations on land and at sea that are able to withstand severe weather conditions. Meeting these challenges create exciting opportunities for new employees who benefit from the experience of a seasoned staff.

### **About West Coast Contractors**

Founded in 1962, West Coast Contractors is a large-scale, general contractor that specializes in heavy construction projects including bridges, harbors, marine facilities, commercial developments, governmental projects and industrial complexes. Clients include: U.S. Corps of Engineers, Coast Guard, states of Oregon and California, Chevron, NOAA, Charter Communication and AT&T. For inquiries, contact WCC at (541) 267-7689.

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