

Spring 2016 - Project Progress

Scaffolding was erected in January and then shrink-wrapped in February to provide a visual barrier to birds. In addition to being a major tourist attraction, the island is also a bird sanctuary, and our team has to take precautions against disturbing them. All workers had to attend mandatory bird awareness training provided by the NPS, and work activities have to be conducted with minimal noise and disruption to their habitat. The shrink wrap has the added benefit of providing weather protection for the work and also creates negative air pressure for the lead abatement activities that were the focus in March. Currently, mock-ups of the different types of repairs are being prepared for approval by NPS and its designer, before full repair work can be begin.



Cellhouse exterior being readied for repair.



Shrink wrapping provides a visual barrier so that work does not disturb the island's birds.



Window-sill mock-up showing corrosion inhibitor and cathodic protection.

December 2015 – Start-up Activities

After several months of pre-construction planning, our Alcatraz team held a Kick-Off meeting on the island with the National Park Service on December 3rd. Mobilization began on December 17th and continued throughout the night to unload materials and equipment before tourists would be arriving in the morning. The Park Service hosts approximately 1.3 million visitors to the island every year, and the site is so popular, visits often need to be arranged at least a week in advance. Our management team must carefully schedule deliveries and work hours and arrange transportation to and from the site for our construction crews, so as to not negatively impact the public's visitor experience.

September 22, 2015 – Contract Award

Perini Management Services is implementing a Tutor Perini contract for the National Park Service for work at Alcatraz, the once notorious former penitentiary that is now part of the Golden Gate National Recreation Area in San Francisco, California. The historic buildings of this popular tourist destination have experienced deterioration as a result of age and exposure to the ocean environment. The project scope involves repair of concrete and reinforcing steel on exterior walls, interior concrete patching, installation of cathodic protection systems, and repair of historic windows and doors.

