

Construction Alert
Coleman Animal Facility
March 18, 2008

Beginning March 18, Jones Brother Construction Company will begin work in the Coleman animal facility as part of a state funded project for capital improvements in UTHSC animal facilities. Jones Brothers has been on site working on the Coleman renovations for the 2nd and 3rd floors as well. The animal facility renovation is a separate project from the other Coleman renovations.

The scope of this project includes renovation of rooms 150 and 152 to create a new primate holding room with an anteroom and trench floor drains, adding new auto watering throughout the building, renovation of rooms 143 and 149 to create an animal imaging room, and addition of new ventilated caging throughout the facility.

The first part of this project will involve demolition of the interior of rooms 150 and 152, including the wall between the rooms and the floor. These are the two rooms on the very north and east of the animal facility, adjacent to the exit doors. This demolition will create noise, dust, and vibration while the floor is being removed. A temporary partition will be added to shield the work area for rooms 150 and 152 from the rest of the facility. We anticipate that this demolition will only take a few days. We ask your patience and understanding as we make progress in renovating the Coleman facility. I will make every effort to keep all investigators informed of major construction events. Please let me know if you have concerns or questions.

Tim Mandrell