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Dear valued customer,

North America's largest construction trade show — CONEXPO-CON/AGG — recently took place in Las Vegas, where more than 2,000 exhibitors showcased the newest equipment and technology across every major construction segment. At this triennial event, Komatsu launched and previewed a broad lineup of machines, engines and digital solutions designed to improve productivity, automation and jobsite connectivity. Check out the recap in this issue to learn about CONEXPO-CON/AGG as well as Komatsu's featured products, including a new HM460-6 articulated truck and a range of Smart Construction solutions.

We also offer an insight into Komatsu's recently introduced PC365LC-11 multifunction plus excavator. Built to deliver more power exactly where it's needed, the machine combines a fully electric swing system, advanced hydraulics and a refined operator environment to help contractors complete jobs faster while significantly reducing fuel consumption and operating costs.

If you are searching for an end-to-end solution that simplifies everything from identifying the right component to tracking delivery, look no further than My Komatsu Parts 360. The latest enhancements to Komatsu's comprehensive online portal make fleet management and parts ordering easier than ever.

Additionally, there are many more valuable articles I think you will enjoy, including a customer success story, a glimpse of Komatsu's Demo Days, product features and industry insights.

As always, if there's anything we can do for you, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,
Roland Machinery Co.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Roland', written in a cursive style.

Matthew L. Roland,
President

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Simply put, clearing and mulching

After seeing heavy equipment cut trees, Matt D'Amico decided to start Central Tree LLC and has been growing the Illinois company since



Matt D'Amico,
Owner

When he graduated from college with a degree in construction management, Matt D'Amico was prepared to take a job dedicated to that field, but something else caught his eye.

"I was trying to decide what path to go down for sure, whether it was a project manager working with a custom home builder or something else, when I saw heavy machinery cutting trees," D'Amico recalled. "I was fascinated with it and decided that was where I wanted to focus my efforts. I'm not somebody who likes to sit behind a desk anyway, if I don't have to. I like to be hands-on."

D'Amico has gained plenty of hands-on experience since he started Central Tree LLC in 2003. He's built the Pingree Grove, Illinois,

based business from a one-man operation into a multifaceted entity that serves about a two-hour radius that includes the Chicago metropolitan area.

"We have a lot going on, but simply put, we clear trees and make landscape mulch," stated D'Amico, who remains the sole owner and manages daily operations, which includes scheduling staff, running projects and gaining new ones, and operating equipment. "Much of our work is done with heavy equipment and for contractors who need land cleared."

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Owner,
Central Tree LLC*

Customer snapshot

Company: Central Tree LLC

Location: Pingree Grove, Illinois

Established: 2003

Employees: Approximately 20

Areas of expertise: Land clearing, grinding, mulching, mulch sales and truck repair

Equipment from Roland Machinery Company: TimberPro TL745D feller buncher; Quadco 22SC high-speed saw

From the ground up

D'Amico grew Central Tree — which is centrally located in Chicago's Northwest Suburbs with an emphasis on working with trees, hence the name — from the ground up. He gained his earliest jobs by knocking on residential doors when trees fell down in his parents' neighborhood. He realized early on that climbing trees wasn't going to be the key to long-term success.

"There was literally a lot of blood, sweat and tears that's gone into building the business," said D'Amico. "Persistence has been a key component. It just continued to grow. We started getting larger trees and projects. When people had a little bit of confidence in us and saw that we did what we said we would, the word got around, and it grew organically. We still do a bit of the residential work, but we're more focused now on the commercial end and working with heavy equipment. It's about being able to get material, so we can keep producing landscape mulch."

Central Tree typically has five or six projects going at once, and in addition to land clearing, its service list includes stump grinding and brush mowing. Nearly all jobs now include grinding to produce mulch. Much of that is hauled back to its 20-acre facility in Pingree Grove where it's made available for sale to the public. Central Tree offers several colored

Central Tree owner Matt D'Amico tops a tree before cutting it down with a TimberPro TL745D feller buncher.





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Central Tree uses its new TimberPro TL745D feller buncher to cut wood of varying sizes.

and natural options, and it carries certified playground mulch. It also accepts clean logs, chips and branches that are recycled into mulch. It recently added screened and unscreened potting soil for sale. The facility also offers equipment sales and service, and it has landscaping and other small tools for sale.

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TimberPro advantages

As Central Tree grew, so did its need for heavy equipment. To cut trees, D'Amico recently added his first TimberPro (a Komatsu-owned company) feller buncher, a TL745D, that he purchased from Roland Machinery Company with the assistance of Territory Manager Zac Lucas.

"I'm looking for three things when I buy equipment: reliability, durability and dealer support," D'Amico emphasized. "I want to know that it's going to run with little to no downtime, that it's going to stand up to the abuse

cutting trees puts on a machine, and that the dealer will be there if we do need something. TimberPro, and the support I get from Roland Machinery, fits the bill."

D'Amico was convinced that the TimberPro feller buncher would meet his reliability and durability requirements because he ran Timbco machines (a forerunner to TimberPro) in the past and still uses one with more than 16,000 hours on it. A visit to the TimberPro factory — where Timbco machines were originally produced — in Shawano, Wisconsin, earlier this year cemented his decision to purchase the TL745D that has 57,800 foot pounds of swing torque.

"I did some research and talked with some other people running the 745, and they pointed out the stability, which is excellent even when I reach out far off the side track," noted D'Amico. "I don't have that back track popping up like with a smaller unit. The visit I had to the factory showed me what was available, and this machine actually has a larger undercarriage than is standard on a 745, so I was able to work with TimberPro, Zac and Roland to acquire it. That increases the stability, and it gives me more control with the head when I'm cutting trees."

D'Amico added, "Another advantage is the visibility because there's a lot of glass all around, and you get good light coming in.



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'We have been able to take on bigger and bigger jobs'

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That helps with production because I can see obstacles easier and have a better idea of what's around me at all times. As I'm tracking out of a tight area, I don't have room to spin. This machine lets me cut a tree, slowly back down a hill or out of an area and see. If I need it, there is a camera just above the monitor that I can use to get a view behind me."

Going the extra mile

Central Tree purchased a new Quadco (a Komatsu-owned company) 22SC high-speed saw from Lucas and Roland Machinery along with the TL745D. D'Amico has extensive

experience with Quadco and was happy to add the new 22SC.

"We have one that we run on another unit that's been highly reliable," commented D'Amico. "This one is 20 years newer, and it's amazing what it can do in terms of productivity and efficiency. Roland Machinery paired the new one up and made me a happy camper. Zac really went the extra mile to make sure we had the TimberPro/Quadco combo. We had a tight timeline to buy the machine, get the cutting head and put everything together, and Zac and Roland Machinery did an amazing job of making it happen."

By the numbers

- About 2-hour radius service area
- 5 or 6 projects going at once
- 20-acre facility with mulch, potting soil, truck repair, tool and equipment sales

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Central Tree pairs a new Quadco 22SC high-speed saw with its TimberPro TL745D feller buncher.

Expanding possibilities

D'Amico has additional expansion in mind for Central Tree.

"We have been able to take on bigger and bigger jobs because we have built a team of people who do a great job, and that's allowed us to be aggressive with growth," reflected D'Amico. "In addition, we're always looking for ways to improve, whether that's our services or our product quality. I think we're in a nice position to do what we have in mind." ■

**The opinions expressed here are based on the customer's specific experience. Results may vary.*

Central Tree owner Matt D'Amico (left) and Roland Machinery Company Territory Manager Zac Lucas talk about Central Tree's TimberPro/Quadco combo before D'Amico goes to work.



Komatsu forestry offerings expand

New Komatsu 951XC-1 is purpose-built for demanding applications and has a compact design that allows for use in denser stands

The Komatsu 951XC-1 harvester is purpose-built for enhanced stability, performance and productivity to the most demanding forestry operations.

The Komatsu 951XC-1 is one of the largest harvesters on the market. Its eight driven wheels deliver incredible traction, maneuverability and stability, especially in steep, soft or rugged conditions. Inside the cab, operators experience automotive-level quality with refined controls and features built for all-day comfort and precision.

Key performance highlights:

- Eight-wheel drive ensures excellent stability and low ground pressure
- Tractive force of 54,400 lbf supports operation in tough terrain
- Komatsu's 3PS hydraulic coordination system allows multiple head and crane functions to operate at full power simultaneously

- Shortened crane center-to-front-wheel distance enables wider working range and stronger reach
- Cab includes an automatic four-way leveling system, spacious layout, climate controls and high-visibility design to reduce operator fatigue

Designed for reliability and control, the 951XC-1 gives operators the confidence to perform efficiently in sloped, rough or soft terrain while maintaining Komatsu's signature quality and productivity.

"What is special about the 951XC-1 is that it combines the strength of a 951-1 with an extremely compact design," said Rob Warden, Senior Product Manager, Forestry. "Since it has about the same dimensions as the 931XC-3, it can be used in denser stands."

Together, the 951XC-1 reflects Komatsu's ongoing innovation in forestry machinery — empowering operators to do more with greater comfort, control and confidence. ■



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The eight-wheel design on the new 951XC-1 enables improved stability and maneuverability.

Next-generation jobsites at CONEXPO-CON/AGG

Technology and automation led the conversations as 140,000-plus attendees met at North America's largest construction trade show

The global construction industry gathered in force in Las Vegas as CONEXPO-CON/AGG 2026 brought more than 140,000 professionals from 128 countries together to explore the technologies, equipment and ideas shaping the future. Held at the Las Vegas Convention Center and nearby festival grounds, the triennial event once again served as North America's largest construction trade show and a central marketplace for a \$2.2 trillion U.S. industry.

Spanning more than 3 million square feet of exhibit space and featuring more than 2,000 exhibitors, the event showcased equipment, digital technologies and services across every major construction segment. Massive earthmoving machines, cranes and paving systems stood alongside connected jobsite platforms, automation solutions and sustainability-focused innovations. Contractors, manufacturers and technology leaders gathered to evaluate equipment, forge partnerships, and conduct business that will influence projects and infrastructure development going forward.

"CONEXPO-CON/AGG is where the construction industry comes to see what's next," said CONEXPO-CON/AGG Show Director Dana Wuesthoff. "This week demonstrated the resilience and ingenuity of our industry.

From advanced machinery to digital tools that help crews work safer and smarter, the innovations unveiled here will shape jobsites for years to come."

Komatsu showcases solutions

Komatsu launched and previewed a broad lineup of machines, engines and digital solutions designed to improve productivity, automation and jobsite connectivity.

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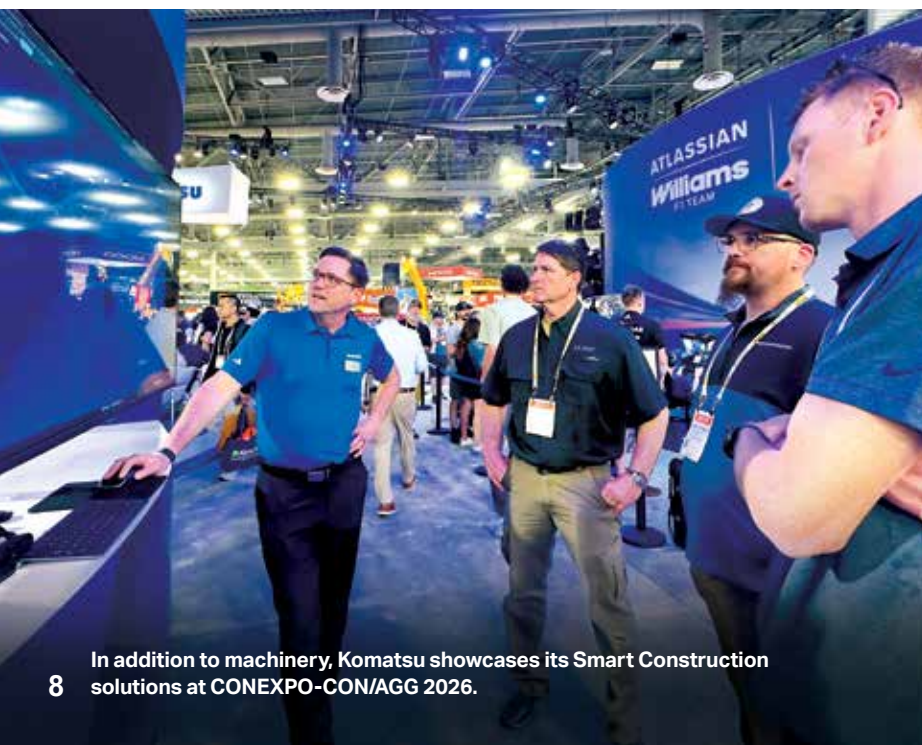
*- Dana Wuesthoff,
Show Director,
CONEXPO-CON/AGG*

"At CONEXPO, our goal is to give customers a clear sense of where Komatsu is headed — showcasing new machines, next-generation technology, and integrated solutions that will drive productivity, simplify maintenance, and shape the future of their operations," stated Paul Moore, Vice President of Products, Marketing and Service for Komatsu North America.

Among the machines featured was the new HM460-6 articulated truck with an increased payload capacity of 46.3 tons and an overall machine weight that has been reduced by roughly 6,600 pounds compared to the HM400-5. Combined with a new nine-speed transmission, locking axles and traction control systems, the truck is designed to shorten haul cycles while lowering fuel consumption.

"We increased production, reduced the weight of the truck, and added a new engine and transmission. It all works together as a system to deliver faster cycle times and higher productivity," explained Bruce Boebel, Director of Products and Services for Komatsu's construction division, noting that the HM460-6 is powered by Komatsu's new DBA127 engine, a 12.7-liter powerplant designed to simplify emissions systems while extending service intervals, including a diesel particulate filter exchange interval of up to 8,000 hours.

Komatsu highlighted the first in its -12 series excavator platform, the PC220LC-12, which features a wider cab, customizable electro-hydraulic controls and advanced



In addition to machinery, Komatsu showcases its Smart Construction solutions at CONEXPO-CON/AGG 2026.



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Attendees check out a wide variety of the latest equipment, including Komatsu's new PC220LCi-12 excavator with intelligent machine control (IMC) 3.0 technology.

operator interfaces. The PC220LCi-12 intelligent machine control (IMC) model integrates new automation tools in IMC 3.0, such as swing-to-line and travel-along-line, enabling operators to maintain trench alignment and automatically reduce repetitive manual adjustments.

Komatsu also showcased its recently launched PC365LC-11 multifunction plus excavator with an electric swing system that captures and reuses energy generated during swing braking. The system stores recovered power and redistributes it during operation, improving cycle times and fuel efficiency during demanding tasks such as truck loading and trenching.

Additional currently available machines on display included WA485-11, WA475-11, WA380-8 and WA700-8 wheel loaders, each built to deliver dependable performance and efficiency across various applications. The WA485-11, WA475-11 and WA380-8 work well in construction and quarry applications, while the larger-capacity WA700-8 is built for surface mining.

Komatsu also gave attendees a preview of machines set to launch in the near future, including a PC158USLCi-12 excavator equipped

with the latest IMC 3.0 system. The 15-ton class excavator will be the first tight-tail model in its size category to offer factory-installed IMC, bringing advanced automation features to utility, highway and urban construction work where compact machines are common.

Komatsu offered show attendees an exclusive preview of two next-generation crawler dozers engineered to advance productivity and efficiency in earthmoving applications from site development and road construction to mining. The D61PXi-25 dozer with IMC 3.0 and the D175AX-10 large production dozer represent the next phase in Komatsu's evolution of powertrain performance, operator-centered design and integrated technology.

Alongside its machines, Komatsu emphasized digital jobsite solutions under its Smart Construction ecosystem. New tools demonstrated at the show included:

- **Smart Construction Dashboard Mobile** — a smartphone-based version of its jobsite visualization platform
- **Smart Construction Edge** — a base station for on-site drone data processing
- **Smart Construction Fleet Lite** — basic payload tracking



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Smart Construction highlighted at CONEXPO-CON/AGG

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- **Smart Construction Home** — a homepage for projects, displaying jobsites on a map with key metrics such as job completion percentage
- **Smart Construction Whiteboard** — a digital dispatch tool modeled after traditional office whiteboards that allows users to drag and drop machines and labor onto jobsite columns
- **3D Machine Guidance Flex** — a GPS-based guidance system designed for a wider range of machines including trucks, loaders and scrapers

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*- Jason Anetsberger,
Director of Customer Solutions,
Komatsu*

“Smart Construction is about more than just building better machines — it’s about connecting those machines with people and processes to optimize the entire jobsite,” noted Jason Anetsberger, Director of Customer Solutions, Komatsu. “By combining intelligent equipment with digital planning and 3D control, we help customers eliminate waste, reduce idle time, and ultimately get the most efficiency and productivity out of every move they make.”

Additionally, Komatsu spotlighted its new Smart Quarry Autonomous solution, which uses artificial intelligence, onboard computing and sensor-based perception technologies to navigate mapped haul routes with minimal setup. System configurations are determined based on site requirements and applicable commercial agreements.

Plus, Komatsu featured fleet connectivity through its My Komatsu digital platform, which integrates telematics, parts purchasing, fleet data and predictive maintenance tools into a unified portal designed to help contractors manage equipment and jobsite performance more effectively.

Other highlights included machine and racing simulators that attendees could operate, a replica of the Atlassian Williams Racing Formula 1 car that Komatsu sponsors and partners with, and a company store with Komatsu-branded apparel and accessories.

“We want every visitor to leave our booth excited — not just about the equipment they see today, but about the innovation, digital transformation and long-term partnership Komatsu is building to support their success moving forward.”

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Marketing and Service,
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Honoring those who build

One of the CONEXPO-CON/AGG’s most visible moments came during the opening ceremony, when thousands of attendees donned bright orange safety vests for a Guinness World Record attempt for the largest gathering of people wearing high-visibility construction vests. Organizers aimed to surpass the previous record of 2,499 participants, using the moment to emphasize the construction industry’s commitment to safety and its collective impact on infrastructure, transportation networks, energy development, sports venues and civic landmarks across North America.



Attendees have a great time running simulators designed to give an operator’s view from the cab of a machine.



At CONEXPO-CON/AGG 2026, Komatsu introduces its new DBA 127 engine, which powers the new Komatsu HM460-6 articulated truck and will power additional soon-to-be launched machines.

"This record attempt is more than a number — it's a celebration of the advances, hard work, innovation and dedication of everyone in the construction industry," Wuesthoff said. "We want to honor those who build our cities, roads, railways, airports, stadiums and monuments, and highlight how their efforts touch every aspect of society. This record is particularly important to us as safety is and always will be of utmost priority for the industry and the people who make this work possible."

CONEXPO-CON/AGG also served as a forum for thought leadership through 150 educational sessions. On the show's Ground Breakers Stage, experts discussed emerging topics including artificial intelligence in construction, workforce development and infrastructure investment. Workshops focused on small business growth, equipment maintenance and mentorship opportunities for women in construction, reinforcing the industry's emphasis on workforce development.

The scale and influence of CONEXPO-CON/AGG reflect more than a century of industry evolution. The show traces its roots back to 1909, when the original Road Show in Columbus, Ohio, featured just 40 equipment

manufacturers across 40,000 square feet. Today, the event has grown into a global platform for innovation, connecting thousands of companies and professionals shaping the future of the built environment.

"This event continues to elevate the equipment manufacturing industry — amplifying innovation, insight and influence."

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Show Director,
CONEXPO-CON/AGG*

"A century of progress is reflected in CONEXPO-CON/AGG's scale, scope and spirit," Wuesthoff stated. "This event continues to elevate the equipment manufacturing industry — amplifying innovation, insight and influence."

As the 2026 show concluded, organizers emphasized that the relationships formed, deals negotiated and technologies introduced during the week will ripple across construction projects worldwide for many years to come. The next edition of CONEXPO-CON/AGG is scheduled to return to Las Vegas March 13-17, 2029. ■

Best Practices Paving Seminar

Roland Machinery hosts paving seminar with support from the WIRTGEN GROUP focused on building success through fundamentals and new technology



Chris Ingram,
General Manager
of the Springfield
Division and
Vice President of
the Road Material
Solutions Group,
Roland Machinery
Company

Roland Machinery Company continued its commitment to customer education with another Best Practices Paving Seminar, bringing together nearly 180 industry professionals for a day of training ahead of the paving season. Held in partnership with Local 139 in Wisconsin, the event combined classroom instruction with hands-on insight from WIRTGEN GROUP specialists and Roland Machinery personnel.

"It was a great opportunity to get in front of customers and give operators and crews something they can take back to the field."

*– Chris Ingram,
General Manager of the Springfield
Division and Vice President of the Road
Material Solutions Group,
Roland Machinery Company*



Jake Wedig,
Director of the
Road Material
Solutions Group,
Roland Machinery
Company

"Our goal was to get back to the basics while also introducing new technology," said Chris Ingram, General Manager of the Springfield Division and Vice President of the Road Material Solutions Group, Roland Machinery. "It was a great opportunity to get in front of customers and give operators and crews something they can take back to the field. If they can apply even one thing, whether it's screed setup or rolling patterns, that's a win."

The seminar featured presentations from WIRTGEN GROUP Application Specialist Laikram Narsingh "Nars" and Application Support Manager Tim Kowalski, who focused on paving and compaction principles applicable across all equipment brands. Nars, who specializes on VÖGELE pavers, led sessions centered on the fundamentals of paving, particularly the behavior and adjustment of the free-floating screed.

"We're really focusing on paving 101," noted Nars. "Understanding how the screed reacts, how to manage depth and how to identify issues throughout the day are critical. These are principles that apply to any paver, and the goal is to help crews make smarter decisions in the field."

Kowalski, whose specialty is HAMM rollers, emphasized practical takeaways and the importance of consistency across the industry.

"If attendees can walk away with just one thing that helps them do their job better, then we've done our job," Kowalski stated. "We're not here to tell people how to pave, but to share procedures that work, and give them things they can adopt and turn into practices for their own operations."

Kowalski also highlighted the growing importance of training as the industry faces workforce turnover and evolving technology.

"With new people constantly entering the field, training like this is essential," Kowalski added. "No matter where they're working, we want everyone to understand the same core principles."

Attendees ranged from seasoned veterans to newer operators looking to build their skills. Many cited the value of continuous learning, especially as equipment technology advances.

"I've been in the industry over 30 years, but you can always learn something new," commented Clarence Johnson with Payne and Dolan. "With how much equipment has changed, it's important to stay current."

Others, newer to paving, saw the seminar as an opportunity to build a strong foundation for long-term careers.

"I want to do this for the next 25 or 30 years, so learning everything I can now is huge," said Brian Wood with Taylor County.

WIRTGEN GROUP Application Support Manager Tim Kowalski discusses compaction during classroom instruction.





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Setting the tone

Roland Machinery's Director of the Road Material Solutions Group, Jake Wedig, said the event was designed to serve both groups by reinforcing fundamentals while introducing new innovations.

"This is a great time of year to focus on the basics as everyone gets ready for the season," Wedig said. "At the same time, we can showcase new technology and give customers a chance to ask questions and share ideas. Bringing everyone together like this is incredibly valuable."

Wedig added that strong partnerships with manufacturers like WIRTGEN GROUP play a key role in delivering high-quality training.

"The knowledge that Nars and Tim bring is second to none," Wedig declared. "Having access to that level of expertise helps us better support our customers and ultimately helps them succeed."

Ingram echoed that sentiment, noting that education and support remain central to Roland Machinery's mission.

"If our customers are successful, we're successful," Ingram said. "These seminars help set the tone for the season and reduce issues down the road. It's about being proactive and making sure crews are prepared before they hit the jobsite."

Following strong attendance and positive feedback, Roland Machinery plans to continue hosting similar events in the future, reinforcing its commitment to helping contractors improve efficiency, performance and profitability in the field. ■



Attendees get an up-close look at VÖGELE pavers and see one in action "paving" with sand. They also talk to specialists from WIRTGEN GROUP and Roland Machinery Company.



Laikram Narsingh "Nars.,"
Application Specialist,
WIRTGEN GROUP



Tim Kowalski,
Application Support
Manager,
WIRTGEN GROUP



Clarence Johnson,
Payne and Dolan



Brian Wood,
Taylor County



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Wide spectrum of tasks with versatile mill

WIRTGEN's W 210 XF delivers from surface layer rehabilitation to full-depth removal with power, precision and milling efficiency

WIRTGEN's W 210 XF is engineered for maximum productivity across a wide spectrum of tasks — from surface layer rehabilitation to fine milling and full-depth pavement removal.

Built for major infrastructure projects such as freeways, state highways and airport runways, the W 210 XF combines high daily output with advanced machine intelligence such as WIRTGEN's MILL ASSIST machine control system. It automatically balances performance, fuel efficiency and operating costs. Operators can choose among three strategic modes — cost, performance or quality — while the system continuously optimizes milling parameters for the best results.

Power comes from a 778-horsepower engine with a torque profile that was refined specifically for cold milling demands. Paired with the DUAL SHIFT two-speed powershift transmission, the W 210 XF offers a large range of milling drum speeds. Lower drum speeds reduce fuel consumption, pick wear and noise, while higher speeds maximize output and deliver a superior milling pattern even at depths reaching up to 13 inches. This range ensures the machine can handle the most challenging milling tasks with efficiency and long-term sustainability.

More accurate documentation

Flexibility is another hallmark. Thanks to its single-bolt design that utilizes on-board tools, the W 210 XF's Multiple Cutting System (MCS) enables the milling drum to be exchanged within minutes, allowing crews to quickly switch between drums with different tooth spacings. With the quick-change system, the entire drum housing can be swapped in under an hour to achieve milling widths of 6 feet, 7 inches; 7 feet, 3 inches; and 8 feet, 2 inches.

For documentation and jobsite transparency, WIRTGEN's WPT Milling (Wirtgen Group Performance Tracker Milling) records machine and site parameters automatically. Upon completion, data is transmitted to the owner for streamlined billing and analysis. All information appears in real time.

Precision is strengthened by the LEVEL PRO ACTIVE leveling system, which is fully integrated into the machine's controls. The system provides clear sensor feedback, simplifies operator workload and includes automated functions such as lifting over manhole covers, ensuring accurate milling results with minimal manual adjustments. ■

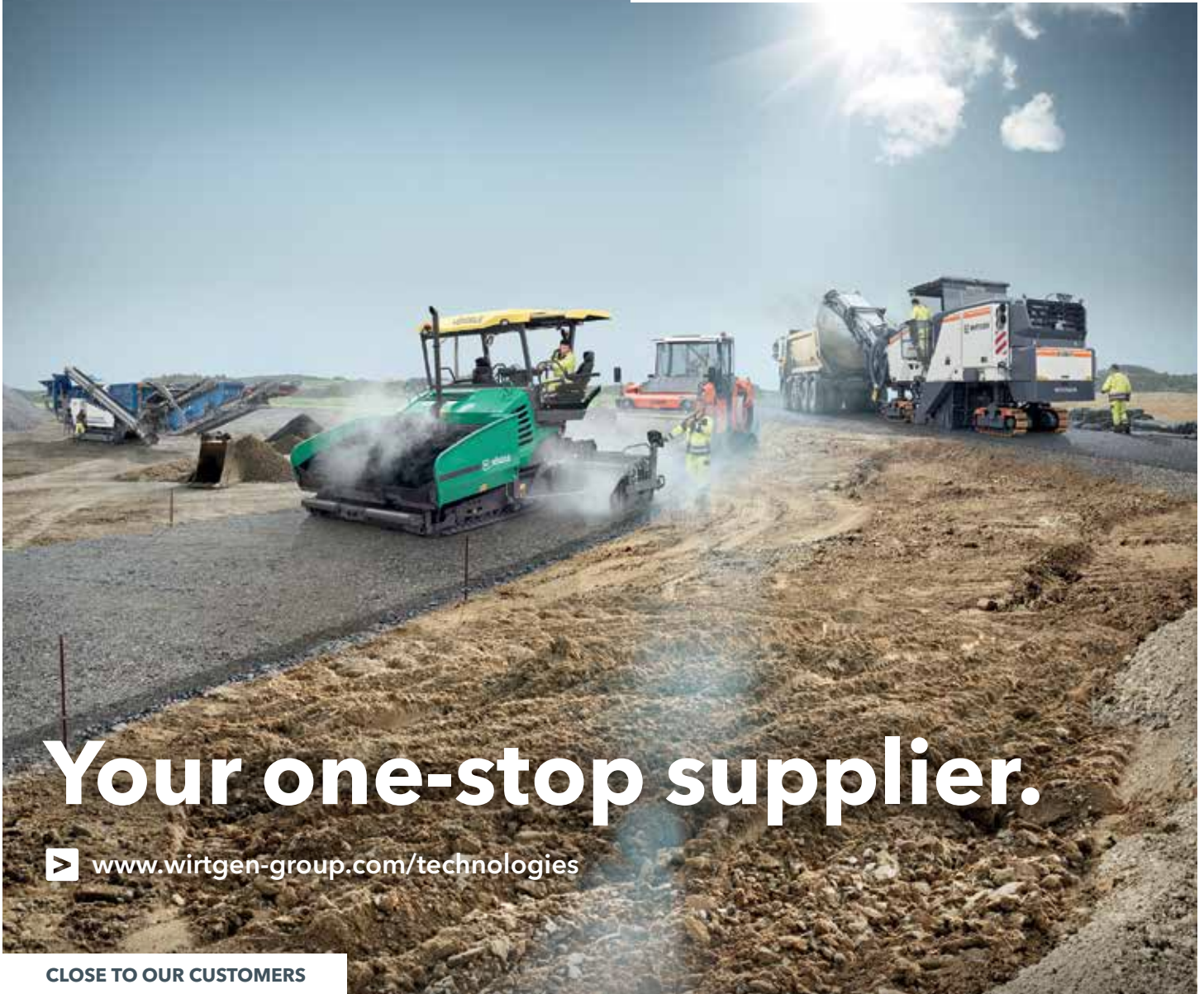
Quick specs			
Model	Horsepower	Operating weight	Milling widths
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HAMM's HC 250i C VC compactor with vibration crusher drum is designed to crush and compact stone in the same pass

HAMM's HC 250i C VC is engineered to tackle mixed soils, basalt, granite and other construction materials with comparable pressure resistance in a single pass. HAMM said the "VC" initials — short for Vibration Crusher — signal the roller's ability to both crush and compact simultaneously.

Weighing in at nearly 55,000 pounds, the HC 250i C VC comes standard with heavy-duty tires suited for rocky terrain, a fully equipped operator's cab and HAMM's Easy Drive operating concept intended to streamline controls for varied job conditions. The compactor's standard seat features an extended backrest to support drivers during long hours and demanding terrain. An air-sprung seat is also available as an optional upgrade.

Beyond traditional applications, HAMM positioned the compactor for landfill leveling, tunnel and road planning, and surface mining operations. Its ability to pre-crush and loosen

stone reduces the workload of downstream processes such as layer-by-layer milling.

HAMM also redesigned the tool holder system, tailoring it for swift, straightforward tool changes. Compatible with both round-shank cutting tools for general stone work and heavy-duty carbide-tipped tools for abrasive or hard stone, the system allows inserts to be removed and attached without specialized tools. This approach is intended to lower maintenance time and service costs.

Additional features and benefits include:

- High crushing force due to high point load
- A powerful engine and reinforced components around the front frame, three-point articulation and the underbody, so it is well-equipped for tough applications
- A reinforced drum drive, enabling the machine to take on grades as steep as 60% ■

Quick specs

Model	Operating weight with cab	Horsepower	Drum width
HC 250i C VC	54,982 lbs.	217.7 HP	84.3 in.



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Industry rebalances around growth markets

Data centers, power infrastructure and adaptive reuse lead, while contractors invest in workforce and technology for long-term resilience

The U.S. construction industry enters 2026 in a period of recalibration rather than retreat. While contractors report more measured expectations than in the prior year, the overall outlook reflects an industry actively adjusting to economic uncertainty, policy shifts and evolving demand patterns. According to “Dampened Expectations: The 2026 Construction Hiring and Business Outlook” from the Associated General Contractors of America (AGC) and Sage, contractors are refining their strategies, focusing capital and talent on the sectors offering the strongest and most durable growth.

Rather than signaling contraction, the survey points to a maturing market in which firms are becoming more selective, disciplined and forward-looking. Concerns about inflation, interest rates and the broader economy remain top of mind. Still, many contractors see 2026 as a year to strengthen operational foundations while pursuing opportunities in high-growth segments.

Digital infrastructure and power drive momentum

The most powerful source of optimism remains data center construction. Contractors report the highest confidence in this segment, with demand fueled by artificial intelligence (AI), cloud computing, and the rapid expansion of digital services, according to the AGC and Sage report. Independent market data shows U.S. data center construction starts increased more than 15% year over year in 2025, with hundreds of billions of dollars in future projects planned or in preconstruction, according to ConstructConnect’s outlook, “The State of the Construction Economy: What to Expect in 2026” by Johnny Bradigan.

Closely linked to this growth is power and energy infrastructure. Rising electricity demand from hyperscale data centers, grid modernization and energy resilience initiatives is translating into strong construction activity. Long-term forecasts suggest data center power demand could grow dramatically over the next decade, reinforcing confidence in sustained investment across transmission, generation and energy-related facilities, according to a report from Deloitte, “2026 Engineering and Construction Outlook.”

Steady opportunities across institutional and industrial

Beyond digital infrastructure, several core construction markets remain on solid footing.

Healthcare construction — including clinics, labs and hospitals — continues to benefit from demographic trends and modernization needs. Water and sewer infrastructure also maintains positive momentum, supported by public investment and aging systems that require upgrade, according to AGC and Sage.

Manufacturing construction shows cautious but meaningful growth potential. While higher capital costs and supply chain considerations have slowed some decisions, long-term reshoring initiatives and federal incentives continue to support industrial investment, according to ConstructConnect. Analysts note that many owners are taking a deliberate approach, balancing cost discipline with the need to expand domestic capacity.

Infrastructure and education adjust to funding realities

Public infrastructure markets remain active but more measured. Expectations for highway, bridge and transportation construction softened compared with recent peaks, reflecting funding timing and uncertainty tied to the upcoming expiration of the federal surface transportation authorization in late 2026. Even so, industry leaders emphasize that long-term infrastructure needs remain substantial, suggesting a pipeline that may strengthen as policy clarity improves, AGC reports.

AGC and Sage also noted that K-12 and higher education projects have slowed from earlier highs, but this shift reflects demographic changes and capital reprioritization rather than structural decline. Many institutions are focusing on renovation, modernization and adaptive reuse rather than large-scale new construction, aligning with broader industrywide reconstruction trends.

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Contractors are looking to hire and adopt more technology in 2026.

Growing emphasis on technology and workforce strategy

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Private commercial markets find new paths

Traditional private commercial sectors — office, lodging and retail — remain uneven as we enter 2026. However, this softness has accelerated innovation. Office-to-residential conversions, mixed-use redevelopment and adaptive reuse projects are gaining traction, particularly in urban markets with excess office capacity. These projects are helping address housing shortages while creating new construction opportunities that rely more on creativity and technical expertise than raw volume.

Managing costs and policy headwinds

Tariffs and immigration policy remain important variables, but contractors are responding with greater sophistication. According to a report by AGC and Sage, roughly 70% of firms surveyed were affected by tariffs, prompting wider use of escalation clauses, shared-risk contract terms and strategic procurement practices. Industry research shows companies are increasingly diversifying their supplier base, sourcing domestically where possible, and using digital tools to improve cost forecasting and material planning, according to Deloitte.

AGC and Sage said labor availability remains a challenge, yet hiring intentions remain strong. More than three-fifths (63%) of contractors expect to add staff in 2026, according to the report by AGC and Sage. While recruiting remains difficult, firms are responding with higher wages, expanded training and broader workforce development initiatives.

Technology investment strengthens the industry's foundation

One of the clearest positive signals entering 2026 is the industry's accelerating investment in technology. More than 60% of contractors report using AI or plan to expand AI adoption, particularly in estimating, preconstruction and administrative functions, according to a report from AGC and Sage. Across the sector, firms are deploying digital tools such as building information modeling, AI-driven scheduling, and connected jobsites to boost productivity and manage complexity, said Deloitte.

These investments are helping firms offset labor shortages, protect margins and improve project delivery, positioning the industry for stronger performance as broader economic conditions stabilize.

A measured but confident outlook for 2026

The construction industry's 2026 outlook reflects resilience through adaptation. While growth is more concentrated than in recent years, the strength of data centers, power infrastructure, healthcare and reconstruction provides a solid foundation. Contractors are entering the year with realistic expectations, sharper cost discipline and a growing emphasis on technology and workforce strategy. Taken together, these trends suggest an industry that is not only weathering uncertainty but actively positioning itself for sustainable, long-term opportunity. ■



Data centers and energy appear to be strong markets for construction companies looking for opportunities to move dirt in 2026 and beyond, according to multiple industry professionals in their annual outlooks.

Editor's Note: This is a summary of forecasts from leading construction industry professionals who study past, current and future economic trends across multiple market segments to provide outlooks. It is for general informational purposes only and not designed to provide insight into your specific approach to your business. To view the reports in their entirety, please visit the websites for ConstructConnect (<https://www.constructconnect.com/blog/the-state-of-the-construction-economy-what-to-expect-in-2026>), Deloitte (<https://www.deloitte.com/us/en/insights/industry/engineering-and-construction/engineering-and-construction-industry-outlook.html>) and the Associated General Contractors of America/Sage (<https://www.agc.org/news/2026/01/08/contractors-have-dampened-expectations-2026-apart-data-centers-and-power-projects-amid-worries-about>).



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Engineered for multifunction applications

Komatsu PC365LC-11's electric swing system delivers more power, faster cycle times and lower fuel consumption to help boost jobsite productivity

Komatsu is bringing a new level of performance and efficiency to large excavators with the introduction of the PC365LC-11 multifunction plus model to the North American market. Built to deliver more power exactly where it's needed, this machine leverages its innovative electric swing system with "boom-up" power assist to deliver up to a 15% increase in productivity and up to a 20% reduction in fuel consumption compared to conventional Komatsu excavators in the same size class. The fully electric swing system, advanced hydraulics and refined operator environment help contractors complete jobs faster while significantly reducing fuel consumption and operating costs.

Designed specifically for demanding multifunction applications, the PC365LC-11 features a refreshed exterior design, an enhanced cab and a suite of standard and optional features optimized for North American construction jobsites.

"The PC365LC-11 was engineered for excellence in multifunction applications by leveraging its innovative electric powertrain system to boost jobsite productivity while reducing fuel consumption compared to conventional Komatsu excavator offerings in this size class."

*- Matthew Moen,
Product Manager,
Komatsu*

"The PC365LC-11 was engineered for excellence in multifunction applications by leveraging its innovative electric powertrain system to boost jobsite productivity while reducing fuel consumption compared to conventional Komatsu excavator offerings in this size class," said Matthew Moen, Product Manager, Komatsu. "To highlight these performance enhancements, we're emphasizing the concept of 'multifunction plus' as the defining feature of this machine."

Enhanced performance and reduced fuel consumption

The PC365LC-11 is the only excavator in its class equipped with a fully electric swing system with "boom-up" power assist. The PC365LC-11's electric swing motor enhances multifunction performance by delivering faster swing acceleration, reducing cycle times and increasing productivity. Unlike conventional hydraulic swing motors, the PC365LC-11's electric swing motor

recovers kinetic energy at the end of each swing and converts it to electricity.

That energy is stored in the Komatsu-designed ultra-capacitor, where it can power the electric swing motor or be directed to the engine-mounted motor-generator. This provides an instantaneous boost of up to 70 additional horsepower to the work equipment by assisting the engine's response from an ultra-low idle speed of 700 RPM. The ultra-low idle state was designed to reduce fuel consumption further — lowering total cost of ownership and minimizing downtime. All electrical energy used by the system is generated during normal machine operation, and there is no need for external charging.

By eliminating the need for hydraulic power for swing operations, full hydraulic flow is now optimally routed to the boom, arm and bucket cylinders — improving digging cycle times, reducing work equipment lag and creating a smoother operation in multifunction applications.

The electric powertrain also contributes to a quieter jobsite. Eliminating hydraulic flow during the swinging motion reduces mechanical noise and vibration, and the ultra-low 700 RPM idle

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Quick specs

Model	Horsepower	Operating weight	Bucket capacity
PC365LC-11	269 HP + 70 electric HP	81,791-85,495 lbs.	0.89-2.56 yd ³



Designed for demanding multifunction applications, the Komatsu PC365LC-11 helps contractors to work faster, quieter and more efficiently, all while lowering total cost of ownership.

New features and enhancements

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speed operates significantly quieter than the conventional 1,000 RPM low idle. The external noise reduction of 4 dB(A) helps improve the working environment for the operator, nearby crews and others near the jobsite.

Even in the most demanding multifunction applications, these advancements make the PC365LC-11 up to 15% more productive and reduce fuel consumption by up to 20% when compared to the conventional PC360LC/LCi-11 — a rare combination of higher output and greater efficiency.

Compared to the previous model, the PC365LC-11 brings new features and enhancements across three key areas: operator experience, technology and attachment flexibility:

- **Greater operator comfort for long shifts:** A new standard** premium heated air-suspension operator seat features a high leather back, improved cushioning and multiple adjustments to enhance operator comfort during long working shifts. New standard proportional joysticks provide smooth, variable-speed control of plus one attachments while offering an ergonomic feel, helping reduce operator fatigue and wrist stress.
- **Technology that gets the job done:** The KomVision camera system comes as standard** and provides a real-time bird's-eye view of the machine and its surroundings to help improve situational awareness that supports Komatsu's mission of zero harm. An optional Smart

Construction 3D Machine Guidance kit can be factory-installed, giving operators and managers access to 3D design and topographic data to improve accuracy, manage load volumes and optimize operations.

- **Efficient, fast and versatile attachment operation:** The tool control system is standard for machine configurations with a plus one hydraulic attachment piping. This empowers operators to configure and store flow rates and target pressures for multiple attachments. Attachment information is displayed on the in-cab monitor interface, enabling quick switching between tools with accurate, preconfigured hydraulic settings. Optional hydraulic quick coupler piping can be factory-installed, saving both time and local installation costs. This piping provides the necessary hydraulic flow and pressure to operate hydraulic quick couplers, such as the Lehnhoff fully automatic symmetric quick coupler.

For added peace of mind, the machine's electric powertrain components are covered by a 7-year/15,000-hour transferable warranty. ■

**Statistical claims and comparisons referenced herein are made against conventional Komatsu excavators in the same size class, against the Komatsu PC360LC-11 and PC360LCi-11. New features and enhancements referenced herein from the previous model are compared with those of the Komatsu HB365LC-3.*

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Demo Days

Komatsu showcases more than 40 pieces of equipment and technology solutions at its Cartersville Customer Center

Gaining actionable insights into how equipment and technology provide value can benefit your operation. The ability to experience a machine from the operator's seat adds value. Komatsu gave attendees the opportunity to do both during its most recent Demo Days at its Cartersville Customer Center in Georgia.

More than 40 products were available across the 38-acre demo site for customers to see up close and operate. The equipment ranged from compact excavators to large construction, forestry, demolition and mining machines, as well as forklifts and a reclaim feeder. Representatives from Komatsu and its affiliates, including Montabert, Hensley Industries and Lehnhoff, provided insights on how to effectively integrate the equipment and attachments into attendees' operations.

Komatsu Smart Construction and Smart Quarry representatives had displays set up to provide information on solutions available for jobsite management, such as Smart Construction Remote, Office, Field and Drone, as well as Smart Quarry Site and Smart Quarry Study. My Komatsu representatives provided information about Komatsu's online hub for optimal fleet management.

"What we have really focused on with Demo Days is the overall breadth of product offerings and solutions we have that are designed to increase efficiencies in any size of operation and at any stage of a project," said Andrew Earing, Director of Operator and Technical



(L-R) Roland Machinery Company's Robert Schalow, USS' Jason Sabisky and Darrin Williams, and Roland Machinery's Mike McNamara explore Demo Days.





▶ VIDEO

Komatsu showcases its newest excavators at Demo Days, including the PC220LCi-12 with intelligent machine control (IMC) 3.0.

Training, Komatsu. “Customers have always appreciated the opportunity to get behind the joysticks or steering wheel and operate the machinery. More and more, we are seeing that they are now coming to learn about our technology and how to incorporate it.”

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New machines stand out

Among the standout machines available to operate were Komatsu’s new standard PC220LC-12 excavator and its PC220LCi-12 intelligent machine control (IMC) 3.0 model, which features automation such as auto grade assist, auto stop control, bucket angle hold, compaction control, auto swing, and payload monitoring. The PC220LCi-12 also has 3D boundary control, which helps operators work efficiently across the entire jobsite by remembering multiple restriction zones specific to each work area. It is the first OEM factory-integrated feature of its kind in the

construction industry. Auto swing with travel stop functionality is also an industry first for excavators.

The 21- to 24-ton-class PC220LC excavators have been engineered to empower operators and improve jobsite productivity. They feature a 28% larger cab with 30% more legroom versus the previous model, as well as improved visibility, reduced noise and vibration, and a high-quality, heated air-suspension seat. The new 8-inch HD monitor puts machine data, controls and customization options at the operator’s fingertips.

A new electronically controlled hydraulic system and high-output engine help deliver up to an 8% increase in digging force, up to 7% more lift capacity and up to a 20% reduction in fuel costs compared to the previous Komatsu PC210LC-11 model. The new P plus mode is designed to boost workload productivity by up to 18%.

“The PC220LC was built from the operator out and is the most advanced excavator Komatsu has ever built,” stated Matt Moen, Product Manager, Komatsu. “Our goal was to have the machine and operator working together. The larger cab with more glass and better visibility, along with an upgraded seat, increases comfort. It has electric-over-hydraulic controls, a new touch-panel monitor that enables extensive individual customization for each operator



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Hybrid excavator and new wheel loaders on display

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and much more. In the near future, we will add additional automation features such as swing-to-line and travel-along-line.”

In addition to the PC220LC excavators, attendees could operate the recently relaunched PC365LC-11 (formerly HB365LC-3) hybrid excavator that includes multifunction plus. It combines a new look with the same proven technology that captures energy during swing and stores it in the ultracapacitor. When swinging, all available hydraulic power is sent to the boom, arm and bucket to improve cycle time, reduce fuel consumption and increase production. Komatsu equipped the PC365LC-11 with its Smart Construction 3D Machine Guidance solution, which brings 3D to most conventional excavators. This gives operators in the field and managers in the office access to design and topographic data, helping drive accuracy, control load volumes and promote optimization.

“This is always such a great event for customers, their dealers and for us, and we really enjoy being able to provide educational and operational opportunities.”

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Komatsu also spotlighted its new WA475-11 and WA485-11 wheel loaders, which deliver lower fuel consumption, higher engine power and greater climbing speed compared to

previous models. Both have a Komatsu Hydraulic Mechanical Transmission (KHMT) engineered for improved fuel efficiency and productivity, as well as large, comfortable cabs that help reduce fatigue.

Smart Construction and other demonstrations

Komatsu demonstrated its Smart Construction Drone solution, which provides accurate jobsite topography safely, quickly and easily.

“The ability to fly and map a jobsite and send that data back to the office or field personnel digitally expedites the time it takes to evaluate the condition or the state of the project,” noted Earing. “Being able to track that in near-real time helps you make faster production and efficiency decisions regarding scheduling, resources and more. The data can easily be moved into other solutions, such as Dashboard.”

Demonstrations were also available for Komatsu’s FH120 forklift, RF-5 reclaim feeder and PC490HRD-11 high-reach demolition excavator equipped with the K100 boom change system that allows for hands-free boom changes from the cab of the machine.

“This is always such a great event for customers, their dealers and for us, and we really enjoy being able to provide educational and operational opportunities,” concluded Earing. “This Demo Days was a little rainy and chilly, but that didn’t seem to deter anyone from putting the machines to the test, which we like to see.” ■



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The COPROD 89 is compatible with Epiroc surface drill rigs such as the SmartROC C50, where it supports blast hole diameters of approximately 3.5 to 5.5 inches, and is part of a broader COPROD portfolio covering a wide range of surface drilling needs.

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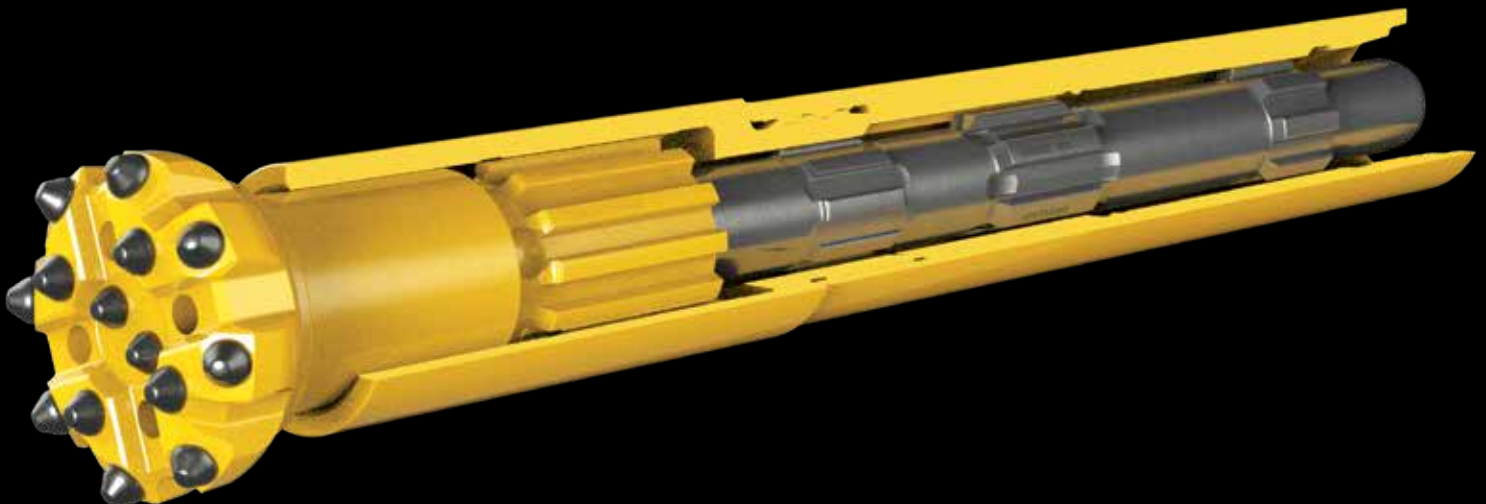
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Tophammer Rock Drilling Tools,
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The COPROD 89 builds on Epiroc's established COPROD concept, which combines the penetration rate and fuel efficiency of tophammer drilling with the hole straightness and quality typically associated with down-the-hole (DTH) drilling. It features

improved wear resistance and simplified maintenance, contributing to a lower total cost of ownership over the life of the drill string.

The COPROD system uses a threaded drill tube to transmit rotation and an unthreaded impact rod suspended inside the tube to transfer impact energy directly to the rock. By eliminating energy loss through threaded connections, the design improves efficiency and reduces wear. Enhanced flushing capability helps increase the rate of penetration and reduce fuel consumption.

"This launch is a testament to our commitment to innovation and customer value," said Fredrik Gransell, who is the head of strategic marketing for tophammer rock drilling tools at Epiroc. "The new Epiroc COPROD 89 drill string is built to perform in the toughest conditions, helping our customers achieve more with less." ■



Epiroc's next-generation COPROD 89 drill string is engineered for durability, precision and productivity in surface mining and quarrying applications.

Life as a field technician

Hands-on experience leads to a rewarding career for Jared Wick, who is focused on helping customers minimize downtime



Jared Wick,
Field Technician,
Roland Machinery



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For Jared Wick, becoming a field technician at Roland Machinery Company wasn't just a career choice, but a natural progression. Growing up alongside his father, who owned a heavy equipment repair business, Wick was immersed in the industry from a young age, riding along on service calls, helping where he could and learning the trade firsthand.

"I always enjoyed being around the equipment and that type of work," Wick said, who's based out of Roland Machinery's Marengo branch and covers a large territory that spans northern Illinois. "It just kind of stuck with me. I never really saw myself doing anything else, because this is what I grew up with."

Instead of attending diesel mechanic school, Wick built his expertise through real-world experience and on-the-job learning. After joining Roland Machinery in 2015, he spent his first several months in the shop before transitioning into the field, where he has spent the majority of his nearly 11-year career. He still occasionally helps out in the shop as well.

While Wick's foundation was built through hands-on work, he credits Roland Machinery for helping him stay current as equipment technology evolves. Through a combination of classroom sessions, online coursework and

manufacturer training, he continues to expand his knowledge each year.

"I feel like Roland is really good about keeping its employees up to date on training," Wick commented. "It makes a big difference when you show up to a job knowing what you're getting into and having the tools and knowledge to handle it, so you can keep customers' downtime to a minimum."

Satisfaction in the work

Wick works on a wide range of machines, with an emphasis on WIRTGEN GROUP products, and performs repairs directly in the field. The most rewarding part of the job is seeing the direct impact of his work.

"You know you had a part in getting that machine back to doing what it's supposed to do and is productive for the customer," shared Wick. "It's not always normal hours because things happen at all times of the day and night, and even on weekends, but that's something I've always liked about the industry and doing this job."

Outside of work, Wick stays busy with his family. He and his wife, Heather, have been married for 20 years and have two children. They enjoy spending time outdoors, especially fishing, and visiting their cabin in northern Wisconsin. ■

Jared Wick, a field technician based out of Roland Machinery's Marengo, Illinois, branch, looks over a machine while performing an inspection.



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\$106 trillion infrastructure investment needed by 2040

A new report and projections from McKinsey & Company indicate that the world will need a \$106 trillion investment in infrastructure by 2040. The report notes that the definition of infrastructure is changing and expanding, creating both challenges and opportunities for governments and investors.

"Traditionally, infrastructure has referred to the physical assets that have underpinned societies throughout history, from the fundamentals like roads, ports and bridges to later developments such as power grids," stated McKinsey & Company. "Those assets remain important, and they require significant investment to support every sector of the global economy while continuing to improve living standards."

The report shows that the required investment spans seven critical infrastructure verticals, with transportation and logistics requiring the largest share (\$36 trillion), followed by energy and power (\$23 trillion), digital (\$19 trillion), social (\$16 trillion), waste and water (\$6 trillion), agriculture (\$5 trillion), and defense (\$2 trillion).

"A confluence of global forces is accelerating the need for infrastructure investment," reported McKinsey & Company. "Outdated assets, rapid urbanization, geopolitical shifts and technological advancements are exposing the limitations of yesterday's infrastructure."

Read the full report at <https://www.mckinsey.com/industries/infrastructure/our-insights/the-infrastructure-moment>. ■

Construction population's average age rises, says report

A CPWR study shows the average age of construction workers rose from 41.6 to 42.1 between 2011 and 2023. Tracking aging and retirement trends can help improve safety and identify future workforce gaps.

View the full report at <chrome-extension://efaidnbmnnnibpcajpcgiclfefindmkaj/https://www.cpwr.com/wp-content/uploads/DataBulletin-February2025.pdf>. ■

My Komatsu Parts 360

New enhancements streamline ordering in a few simple steps for efficient fleet service planning

Komatsu continues to enhance the digital ownership experience for equipment users through My Komatsu, its comprehensive online central portal designed to make fleet management and parts ordering easier than ever. A key initiative was recently launched to improve ordering on My Komatsu, called “Parts 360.” The goal was to roll out an end-to-end solution that simplifies everything from identifying the right component to tracking delivery.

According to Michael Carranza, Komatsu’s Senior Manager of Digital Experience, Parts 360 was embarked on with a clear mission: “We wanted to take care of the customer from looking up the part to delivery at their jobsite.”

Carranza explained that every stage of the process is designed with efficiency and flexibility in mind, giving customers the power to choose what works best for their workflow — whether that means picking up items at a local dealership or having Komatsu ship them directly to a jobsite.

The Parts 360 enhancements deliver a streamlined, intuitive shopping experience that removes guesswork and reduces downtime. Through My Komatsu, users can easily search for the correct components by selecting their machine’s model and serial number or by browsing categories, products and parts. If a customer doesn’t know the specific name of a part, Carranza noted that they can “look at pictures and diagrams of their machines to find out what the part number is and what it’s called.”

Once parts are added to the cart, users gain immediate access to critical information, including

inventory levels, lead times and branch availability, as well as any current promotions.

“It’s all at their fingertips,” stated Carranza.

Product images give added reassurance and enhanced shopping tools — such as freight estimates and order cutoff times — help customers plan repairs with confidence, according to Carranza.

Ordering parts is now made simpler than ever:

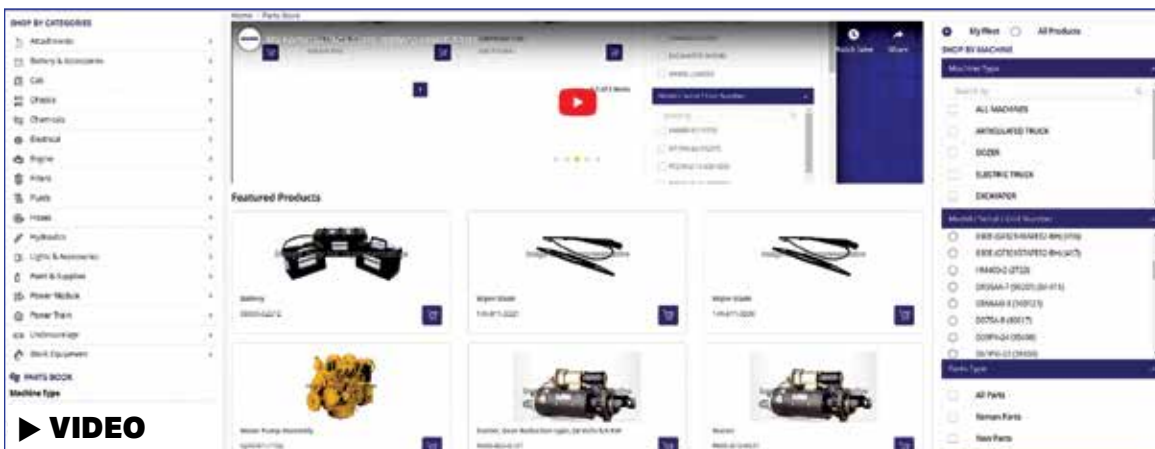
1. Log in to your My Komatsu account via desktop or the mobile app.
2. Select a registered machine from your fleet or enter a model number.
3. Search for the needed part by keyword, category or visual diagram.
4. Add items to the shopping cart, and review availability and shipping options.
5. Choose fulfillment — pickup, jobsite delivery or a combination of both.
6. Submit payment, confirm the order, and enroll in text or email updates.

After checkout, these enhancements continue to deliver value. Customers receive real-time notifications from processing to delivery, eliminating uncertainty.

Carranza emphasized, “There’s no second guessing. You know where your order is in the process. With the Parts 360 enhancements, Komatsu reinforces its commitment to uptime by putting genuine parts, transparent information and flexible fulfillment directly into customers’ hands — at no additional cost.” ■



Watch the video



New online ordering enhancements from the Parts 360 project make My Komatsu an end-to-end solution that can simplify your experience from finding the right component to tracking delivery.



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