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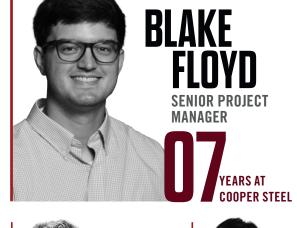
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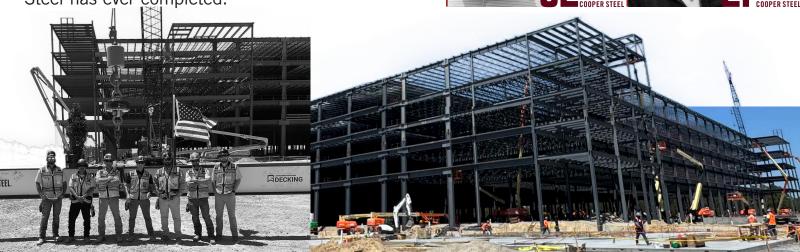
Standing tall in North Carolina, this

11,000-ton project is a testament to the value of clear communication and trusted relationships. From start to finish, the project required extreme precision and collaboration - resulting in 920 on-site deliveries, an impressive 99.53% shop conformity rate, and the completion of the main structure in 85 working days. Thanks to the excellent teamwork between Cooper and the erector, this job became one of the fastest projects of this specific model that Cooper Steel has ever completed.













#### SUPPLY + DEMAND

In April and May, the market began to stabilize following price escalations in the first quarter of 2025. Rolling cycles have held steady at around 10 weeks and are staying open a bit longer than anticipated.



#### **LEAD TIMES**

The newly announced tariff increases have not impacted pricing just yet. Domestic mills are preparing for another wave of increased demand, which could drive up prices. For now, they are taking a wait-and-see approach.

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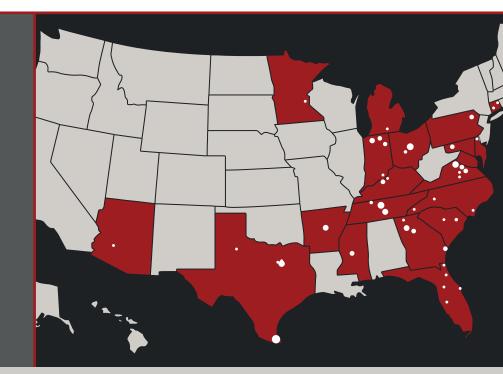
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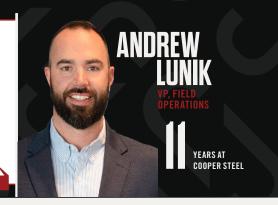
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# FIELD OPERATIONS HIGHLIGHT

The Field Management team has always been one of the things that sets Cooper Steel apart from other steel fabricators in the industry. Our contractors and erectors always have a face-to-face, direct line in the field for solving problems and providing support to the execution of a successful project. The field Quality and Survey departments were created instinctively with the demands of the industry and the complexity of the projects, and offers an additional advantage to our customers. We strive to recruit and develop the best individuals in the industry within these departments.







Our Quality Team works hand-in-hand with the field crews to make sure every structural element from critical welds to bolted connections is completed with precision. We're not just here to inspect; we're here to support, troubleshoot, and help raise the bar. As our company grows, we're refining our processes to go above and beyond- aiming for consistency and reliability to provide our customers with a strong and trusted product.



Our Survey team collaborates with our field teams to identify issues and develop solutions. With over 16 active survey contracts, we're excited to pursue new opportunities to support our customers in managing the challenges of site layout. As we continue to grow and adapt to our projects, we remain committed to providing strategies that keep our job sites safe and standing strong.

FIELD SURVEY DIRECTOR **2 YEARS AT COOPER STEEL** 

RYAN RILEY

TOTAL TEAM MEMBERS

CERTIFICATIONS



TOTAL TEAM MEMBERS

**ANCHOR BOLTS** AS-BUILT IN 2024

**REPORTS**CREATED IN 2024





TOTAL PROJECTS

Alicia serves our Field Operations team as a whole, from equipment procurement and management to document control and site coordination. Since joining Cooper Steel, she has supported both the Survey and Quality teams, acting as an in-office Surveyor and providing critical information along with a detailoriented eye to the entire





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## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

## COOPER STEEL READING PROGRAM

Another school year came to a close, and the Cooper Steel Reading Program rewarded **822 students** with new shoes for reaching the 1,000-minute reading mark! Additionally, the 138 students who reached 4,000 minutes participated in a trip to Shelbyville Central High School with inflatables and support from the Twelve / Twelve high school students who helped us celebrate. We are grateful for another successful year – encouraging literacy and developing young minds.



#### 12 / 12 LEGACY PROGRAM

Cooper Steel was proud to celebrate the achievements of the Twelve / Twelve Legacy program in its inaugural

year. This year, eight students were awarded \$1,000 scholarships, and one exceptional student received a \$5,000 scholarship in recognition of their outstanding dedication and commitment to going above and beyond. We're excited about the future of this program and the meaningful impact it continues to make in the Bedford County community.



## A TIME TO REFLECT



## SAFETY AWARDS

This quarter, Cooper Steel was proud to be awarded:

- SEAA SAFETY ACCOMMODATION AWARD
- AISC COMMENDATION AWARD FOR ERECTORS AND FABRICATORS
- SAFETY EMR RATING OF 0.57

Each of these awards reflects our team's efforts in taking ownership and doing our part to include safety at the forefront of everything we do.



### NATIONAL SAFETY WEEK

National Safety Week was a reminder of our first priority at Cooper Steel — the safety of our people. Across the country, our employees participated in safety stand downs and trainings committed to our "why": getting everyone on the job site home safe to their families.





#### **FAB SHOP #2 UPDATES**

We're making big strides on our Fabrication Shop #2 in Shelbyville, Tennessee, and we're excited for its anticipated opening this fall! This new addition will increase our tonnage capacity by **1,500 tons per month** and provide even more opportunities for growth.

Follow along as we continue to grow and expand, all while staying committed to delivering superior steel products.



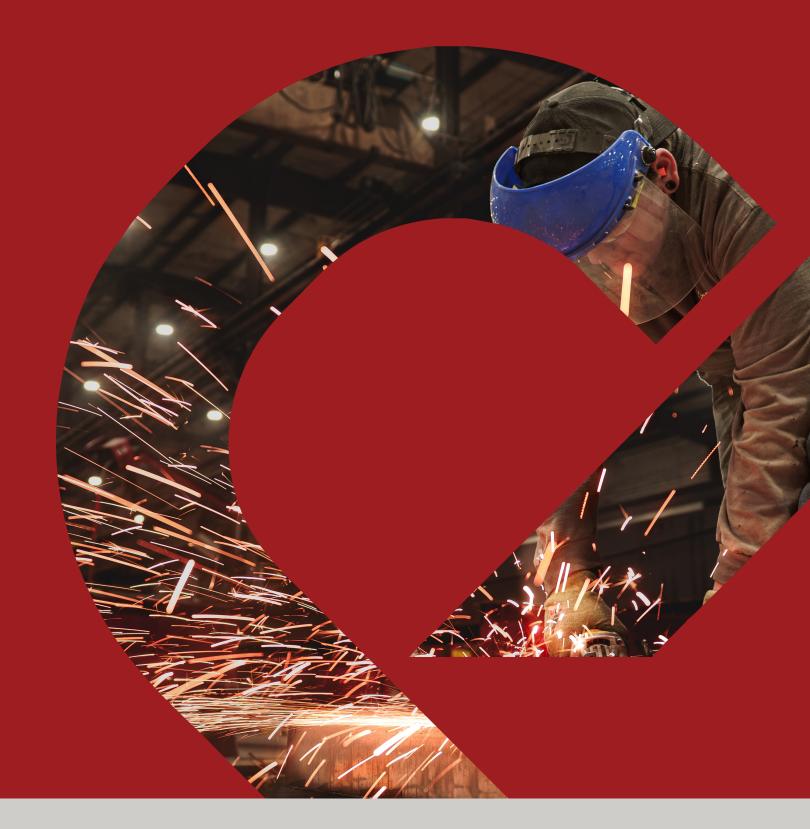


#### **COPS AND BOBBERS**

In May, we partnered with the Shelbyville Police Department for a day of fishing with students from Bedford County schools, encouraging positive mentorship opportunities and interaction with law enforcement. Thank you to the police department and all other sponsors for another year of fishing and creating wonderful memories!

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