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Construction Results wrapping up projects for Vikings, school district

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Construction Results Corp. is wrapping up a project that will turn the former Minnesota Twins ticket office at the Metrodome into a hospitality suite for the Minnesota Vikings. (File photo: Bill Klotz)

The folks at Construction Results Corp. haven't had a lot of time for fishing or camping this summer.

Despite a general lethargy in the construction market, the Plymouth-based general contracting company has been plenty busy of late, racing the clock to complete projects for the Metropolitan Sports Facilities Commission (MSFC) and the Stillwater Area Public Schools.

For the MSFC, the firm is wrapping up a project that will turn the former Minnesota Twins ticket office at the Metrodome into a hospitality suite for the Minnesota Vikings, the lone remaining tenant of that facility.

The Vikings say they won't renew their Metrodome lease when it expires after the 2011 season. But in the meantime, the hospitality room will provide "a better game day

experience" for season-ticket holders and other fans, Vikings spokesman Jeff Anderson said in May.

From a construction standpoint, the biggest challenge has been the tight schedule. The project is on track to be completed before the Vikings' first home preseason game, as required by the client.

The pressure was on, in a sense, because the completion date always remained firm: the National Football League doesn't change its schedule for construction projects that fall behind schedule.

Mark Snyder, a professional engineer and president of Construction Results Corp., said the project team has been working hard to "get it done and ready for the Vikes."

The team opens its home preseason schedule on Saturday, Aug. 28, against the Seattle Seahawks.

In Stillwater, Construction Results has been facing a similar deadline. The firm is renovating an auditorium at Stillwater Junior High School in time for the start of the upcoming school year.

Dennis Bloom, director of operations for the Stillwater Area Public Schools, said the project will include handicap-accessibility work, such as a new elevator and ramp improvements.

The auditorium is getting all-new seating.

"The seating has not been replaced for quite a while," Bloom said.

There's a back order on some carpeting that's going in, so some of that work will have to wait until after school is in session again, Bloom said. But construction is moving right along at the 51-year-old school, which was converted to a junior high in 1993.

Other current Construction Results projects include tenant build-outs for a Freeziac frozen yogurt store at the Mall of America, and a Dunn Bros. coffee shop at the Roseville public library.