

Attachment A: Project Overview (updated 12/19/2025)

Project Name: Spartan Stadium East Side Modernization Project

Project Customer: MSU Athletics

Project Type: Renovation / New Construction

Project Location: Spartan Stadium

Project Budget: \$500M (Additional funding will be needed if any academic or administrative users are accommodated)

Anticipated Construction Start: 2027

Target Construction Completion: Multi-phase over three years (2027-2029)

Executive Summary / Project Vision

Since opening in 1923, Michigan State University's (MSU) Spartan Stadium has been the home of Spartan football, inspiring generations of fans to cheer for the green and white. Originally known as College Field, later Macklin Field, the stadium began with 14,000 seats and has expanded through numerous renovations to its current capacity of 75,005. Over its century-long history, the Spartans have won 70% of their home games, cementing the stadium's place as a cherished landmark in MSU athletics.

A finding from the 2022 facilities study found MSU's athletic facilities to be deficient compared to peer institutions in the Power 4 Conferences. To increase future revenue and elevate the fan experience, the study recommends modernizing Spartan Stadium by:

- Enhancing safety and security measures
- Addressing capital renewal issues, including structural, architectural, and building systems upgrades and repairs
- Upgrading bowl seating and ADA accessibility
- Improving concourses and concessions
- Increasing operational efficiency and revenue potential
- Enhancing the overall fan experience

The planning effort shall also explore potential partnerships with Athletics and other MSU programs in the East Stadium Tower/s, which may include:

- Potential academic program space (Kinesiology Department)
- A University Welcome Center
- Corporate sponsor space (40,000–45,000 SF)
- Event space
- Premium parking

2. Program Requirements

All the following program items will undergo Pre-Design. The final scope of elements to be included in the full stadium modernization will be determined at a later date.

Phase 1

- East side modernization will include premium seating, and corporate sponsor space. Additional academic space for Department of Kinesiology or a welcome center will be planned for with funding from other sources
- East upper and lower bowl seating upgrades & ADA improvements
- North and South bowl ADA improvements
- Loge or other premium seating options on 6th Floor of West side
- North, South, and East concourse improvements/maintenance
- West ramp and upper concourse maintenance

Phase 2

- West concourse restroom additions/renovations
- North, South, and West concourse and concession additions/renovations

Phase 3

- South endzone expansion with connecting concourse

Phase 4

- Stadium site enhancements

Phase 5

- Façade restoration
- Seating bowl upgrades

3. Team Qualification Requirements

- Proven experience in a multi-phase design, construction, and renovation of football stadiums within Big Ten, Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC), or Southeastern Conference (SEC) settings.
- Proven experience in a real time estimating for multi-phase design, construction, and renovation of football stadiums within Big Ten, Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC), or Southeastern Conference (SEC) settings.
- Demonstrated construction expertise in higher education academic facilities.
- Successful history in incorporating corporate office environments and multipurpose event spaces within athletic facilities.
- Ability to effectively engage and collaborate with a diverse community of stakeholders throughout all project phases.
- Advanced proficiency in mass timber integration and construction, including hybrid timber systems, reflecting MSU's leadership in mass timber research and application.

4. Budget & Schedule

Budget Range

- **\$500M**, Total project budget, inclusive of all design, demolition, site improvements, construction, MEP, FF&E, AV/IT, fees / permits, contingencies, and Owner costs. This amount also includes corporate sponsor space (40,000–45,000 SF). If additional academic users like the Department of Kinesiology or university welcome center is a potential occupant, funding for those spaces will be above the \$500M.

Schedule Milestones

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| MSU Board of Trustees (BOT) Authorization to Plan (Step 1) | December 12, 2024 |
| <i>Selection A/E Team Notification</i> | <i>December 11, 2025</i> |
| <i>Pre-Design Begins</i> | <i>January 2026</i> |
| CM RFP Issued | December 19, 2025 |
| Site Visit | January 13, 2026 |
| RFP Due | January 22, 2026 |
| Selection Committee Voting | January 29, 2026 |
| Notification to CM for Interviews | January 30, 2026 |
| CM Interviews | February 12, 2026 |
| CM Team Selection Notification | February 17, 2026 |
| <i>Pre-Design Complete (Scope/Schedule/Budget Determined)</i> | <i>Summer 2026</i> |
| <i>Construction Document Phase Begins</i> | <i>Fall 2026</i> |
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| <i>MSU BOT Authorization to Proceed - Step 2 (Tentative)</i> | <i>October 2027</i> |
| <i>Construction Begins (planned coordination for football season)</i> | <i>November 2027</i> |
| <i>Substantial Completion</i> | <i>Summer 2029</i> |

6. Links for Reference:

<https://campusplan.msu.edu/Report>

<https://strategicplan.msu.edu/>