



Employee Newsletter

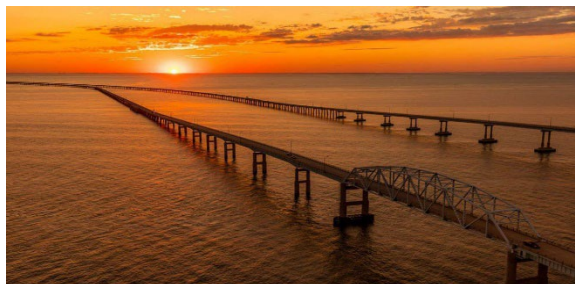
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Did you know....

CHESAPEAKE BAY
BRIDGE-TUNNEL



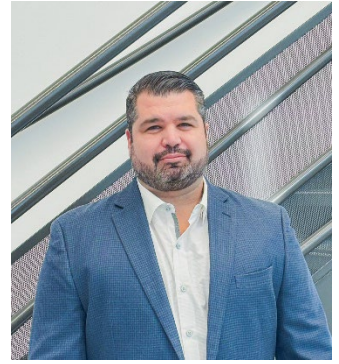
For sixty years the Chesapeake Bay Bridge – Tunnel otherwise known as the CBBT has bridged the way for Virginians to connect with people, places and wildlife. In the 1930’s there was a ferry that carried travelers between Virginia’s Eastern shore to the Norfolk / Virginia Beach area. In 1956 the VA Ferry Commission authorized a fixed crossing between the two areas and by 1964, just 42 months after construction began – the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel opened, and the ferry service was discontinued. By 1999 the first phase of the parallel crossing expanded the two lanes into four lanes and in 2017 to this day the 5,700 ft. bored Parallel Thimble Shoal Tunnel is still under construction. The completion date is set for 2027.



Due to migration patterns, this bridge is also a wildlife haven for birdwatchers, researchers and scientists. There is an active birding program. The CBBT also has an overlook at the southern tip of Virginia's Eastern Shore. It is a favorite place to catch a sunrise or sunset.

PROJECT UPDATES

Our Chief Operating Officer, **Ben Trapuzzano**, shares a list of our **upcoming projects**. Great job Team Aptus!



UPCOMING PROJECTS	PROJECT MANAGER	SUPERINTENDENT/FOREMAN
1821-Norfolk Southern	Scott Tart	Winona Osborn
2048-Winston Salem	Adam Kremers	Matthew McWhorter
2327-I440 Beltline	James Puzino	Winona Osborn
2346- PTC 2.5 (Bridges)	Dave Mattia	Matt Barnes

MAY BIRTHDAYS

Daniel Trevillian - 5/2
Cordell Chamblee - 5/14
Winona Osborn - 5/20
Delton Locklear - 5/26
Scotty Wagoner - 5/27
Coran Wilson - 5/26

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

Kevin Watford - 1 year 5/8/2023
Kyle Rowe - 1 year 5/8/2023
Alsadig Osman - 2 years 5/31/2022
Scott Tart - 8 years 5/13/2016

UPDATES AND REMINDERS

Be sure to log into the employee portal on the Aptus website at www.goaptus.com

SAFETY UPDATES

OSHA Fall Protection Week

Fall prevention systems?

A System That keeps a fall from happening or anything the eliminates a hazard altogether.

What Is Fall Protection?

Fall protection is a broad concept. It is more than equipment systems alone. It includes training, procedures, and rules, as well as equipment systems, all working in combination to protect workers from fall hazards. Two basic categories of conventional fall protection equipment systems are: Guardrails and personal fall restraints.

Guardrails:

are vertical barriers erected to prevent workers from falling to a lower level. Guardrails are an engineering control. Guardrails may be cable, metal, plastic, or wood. Guardrail systems for fall protection are usually different from highway guardrails designed to keep vehicles on the road.

Personal Fall Restraint Systems (PFRS)

prevent users from falling any distance. A PFRS acts as a leash and keeps a worker's center of gravity from reaching a fall hazard. PFRS includes anchorage, a body harness, connectors, and a lanyard or lifeline. PFRS anchor strength requirements are less than PFAS.

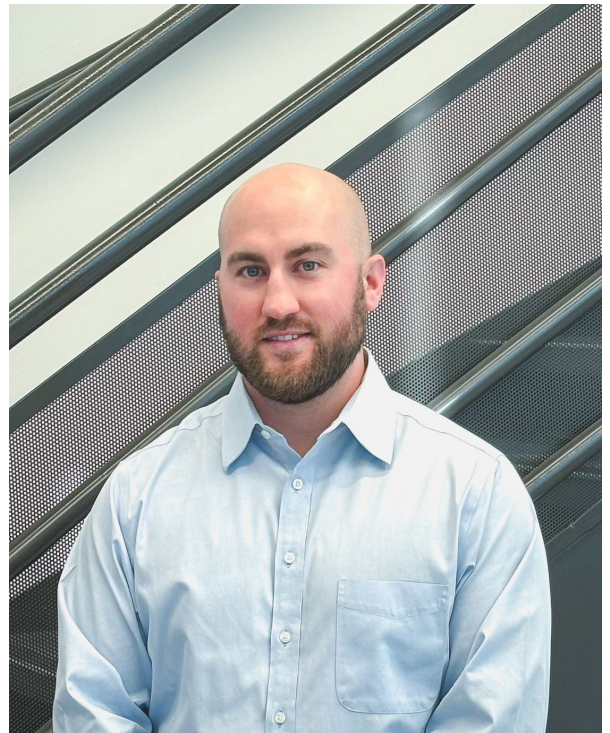


SPOTLIGHTS

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT - OFFICE

Randy Beard – Preconstruction Manager

I have been at Aptus since January 2015, working through many different job functions over my time while continually learning and understanding all aspects of the business from the office to the field. I played baseball and ran indoor track through high school and picked up a scholarship to play at Concord University in Athens, WV. I was a leadoff hitter and played centerfield my whole career. I met my wife at the end of my Freshman year while listening to Eric Church at Speed Street in Charlotte. We have been together ever since and going on 9 years of marriage with 2 beautiful boys. Cooper is my oldest son (10) and Ryker (3) mimics everything we do! Baseball has now grown on both of my boys with them both being die hard baseball players and me coaching Cooper. I enjoy anything outdoors while spending time with my family! If I'm not on the baseball field coaching, you will find me and the family either on the lake or in the woods!



EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT - FIELD

James Puzino – Project Manager

What's up Aptus Fam!

I appreciate the spotlight this month. I love every opportunity Aptus have given me for fulfilling my goals in my career, and it is a joy coming into work knowing we have the people to help better each other every day.

Most of you all know me by James, but my friends and family call me JT. Born in Arizona, raised in Florida. Moved to South Carolina in 2021. I have a wonderful son who is currently a Junior in high school, two brothers, three sisters, and a Saint for a mother. I have been with Aptus I believe three years now, don't quote me on that! I started off as a skilled laborer with the foreman position as my goal. Through long hours, lots of hard work, and plenty of education in the field from my leaders, I have become a Project Manager for Aptus. A couple of my hobbies include visiting Natural Springs with my son and collecting different whiskeys from around the country in my travels. I have an uncurable hunger for seafood, but you can always get me to finish the chores around the house with a good ol' steak and potato bribe!

Fun Fact: My son will be the first person in my family with the Puzino name to go to college. I am extremely proud and thankful for that every day.



PROJECT PHOTO OF THE MONTH



Photo Taken by:
Adam Kremers
Clear Creek Bridge Project 1-26 Asheville, NC

Remember to submit photos to the email address: FieldPhotos@Aptus.com every month for a chance to win \$100. The winners will have a chance to get their photos on the Aptus website. Check June Issue to see which picture won in May.

NEW WINS

Congratulations to our Sales/Estimators bringing in the following new wins!



Q2	South-East	Randy Beard	2416	GA, 10th Street NW over I-85 Atlanta	Nextier Infrastructure Solutions	4/1/2024
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Q2	South-East	Randy Beard	2420	SC, Rochester Hwy over Lake Keowee	Partners Communications Services, Inc.	4/23/2024
Q3	South-East	Randy Beard	2421	GA, Welcome All Road over Camp Creek Atlanta	Nextier Infrastructure Solutions	4/30/2024
Q3	Mid-Atlantic	Jason Milks	2418	VA, Mounts Bay Rd. over Halfway Creek - Shentel	Shentel	4/9/2024