

# The John Ross Mixed Use Condo

Portland, Oregon



A revolutionary sheet pile application implemented by Skyline Steel virtually changed the economics of below-grade construction and was used in constructing the John Ross condo – a 325 foot tall waterfront mixed use condo development with three levels of below-grade parking.

## Problem:

Below-grade construction may often times prove to be quite costly when utilizing conventional methods. The overall expenses incurred, including time and material, were turning out to be much higher than expected.

## Solution:

Skyline Steel was able to offer a versatile

sheet pile application which eliminated multiple component costs of conventional shoring – representing significant savings in the foundation development timeframe. Skyline Steel also provided engineering expertise throughout the duration of the project. Structural and durability analysis, layout details, drawings, contracting referrals and specification writing were among the many complimentary, value-added services provided.

Months were removed from the construction schedule through a modified top-down excavation sequence which allowed the superstructure build to commence well ahead of conventional schedules. Return on investment savings were further realized from an early project completion date.

## Project Partners

### Owner

Gerding Edlen, Williams Development – Joint Venture, Portland, Oregon

### Contractor

Hoffman Construction, Portland, Oregon

### Designers

GBD Architects / KPFF Consultants  
Portland, Oregon

## Products

A572-GR50 AZ-36 Steel Sheet Pile  
790 Tons

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