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May 28, 2010

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On Monday, the truck pictured below arrived with a load of forms for concrete. I believe the construction industry refers to it as “forming work.” I’ve waited to discuss it in hopes of seeing exactly where it will be used, but the load remains staged on the edge of the bus box hole. Perhaps, the forms will be used inside the utility boxes that are still being created with the sheet pile. (See Update #16).



Here is a closer view of the crane that was delivered on May 20. The boom that appears to be about 140 feet long has been assembled on the ground and attached to the crane. But it has not yet been hoisted into the air.



June 1, 2010

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(Note: I will be traveling for much of June so my updates will be based on my presence rather than Union Station construction activity.)

If you take a close look at the photo below, you can see several interesting things:

- Workers atop the dirt pile are coating it with a material that will prevent erosion over the next many months while that dirt sits exposed to the elements.
- The current phase of excavating the bus box hole appears to be getting very close to completion.
- A stone roadway has been built into the bus box. Heavy traffic must be expected soon.
- The crane boom was hoisted this afternoon for the first time. As you try to gauge the height of it, be aware that I took the photo from about 90 feet off the ground.



Underground utility work has been underway constantly in various parts of the project. For once, I was able to get a good shot of conduit being placed near the intersection of 18th Street and the Consolidated Main Line tracks.



One more thing. Is this crane actually trying to lift the Qwest building?

