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Mirastamp[®] Drafts New Look at Chama River Brewing Company

Located in the heart of the Rio Grande Valley, Albuquerque, New Mexico is a treasure trove of history. The largest city in New Mexico will soon be celebrating its 300th birthday. In an effort to mark this year long celebration that begins in April, a major development and renovation program is underway in the historic downtown district and surrounding area. Known as the "must see" city, Albuquerque has embraced its uniqueness by promoting its historical

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culture, traditions, food, music and art in this renaissance time of rehabilitation.

The Challenge

The Blue Corn Café has been in operation since 2000 and owner Dave Brown felt the facility needed a change in size and décor to meet their customer's needs. After careful analysis of area demographics and consumer preferences, Dave decided that a name change and major renovation was needed. The Chama River Brewing Company, a microbrewery and full course restaurant officially opened its doors in February, 2005.

The 1530 square foot flooring project faced two primary challenges, time and temperature. Specifically, the project was scheduled to commence in January with the flooring section to be completed within 7 days.

The Solution

The floor would be exposed to heavy foot traffic and the environmental elements of cool winter evenings and scorching summer heat. Therefore, the system chosen needed to be durable, UV resistant and architecturally appealing. De La Torre Architects, the specifier for this project was familiar with the Miracote product line and called upon the local Miracote representative for a solution. After reviewing the diverse exposure requirements, Mirastamp was recommended and approved by the owners and specifier. The general contractor, Enterprise Builders was awarded the bid for the project. Damian Chimenti, the project manager and estimator, supervised the project from beginning to end. Being very familiar with stamped flooring and the technical expertise required for this type of application, Enterprise Builders ultimately selected Fine Floors as the contractor of choice.

The MIRACOTE Action

Since the flooring renovation was an exterior walkway and patio, 1,530 square feet had to be tented and warmed with propane heaters to a minimum ambient temperature of 50°F (10°C).

Thomas Poth and Tom Fine, the owners of Fine Floors and their crew of three craftsmen, mastered the project well within the time constraints. Beginning on Monday, they prepped the existing concrete slab via mechanical bead blasting to remove all dirt and contaminants. A 2 to 3 CSP (concrete surface profile) was achieved, and the next day, Fine Floors applied Mirastamp at 1/4" thickness (6.4mm). Approximately 900 square feet of Castlestone texture was "impressed" the first day.



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