# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# FORM 8-K

# CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): February 5, 2021

# CONSTRUCTION PARTNERS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 001-38479 (Commission File Number) 26-0758017 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

290 Healthwest Drive, Suite 2
Dothan, Alabama 36303
(Address of principal executive offices) (ZIP Code)

(334) 673-9763 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- ☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Class A common stock, \$0.001 par value	ROAD	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC
		(Nasdag Global Select Market)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§ 230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§ 240.12b-2 of this chapter).

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

### Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On February 5, 2021, Construction Partners, Inc. issued a press release announcing its financial results for the fiscal quarter ended December 31, 2020. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 hereto, and the information contained in Exhibit 99.1 is incorporated herein by reference.

The information furnished pursuant to this Item 2.02, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and will not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, unless specifically identified therein as being incorporated therein by reference.

# Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

# (d) Exhibits

Exhibit No.	<u>Description</u>
99.1*	Press release dated February 5, 2021
104**	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

<sup>\*</sup> Furnished herewith.

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# SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

CONSTRUCTION PARTNERS, INC.

By: /s/ Charles E. Owens

Date: February 5, 2021

Charles E. Owens

President and Chief Executive Officer



# **NEWS RELEASE**

# Construction Partners, Inc. Announces Fiscal 2021 First Quarter Results

# Company Maintains Fiscal 2021 Outlook

DOTHAN, AL, February 5, 2021 – Construction Partners, Inc. (NASDAQ: ROAD) (the "Company"), a vertically integrated civil infrastructure company specializing in the construction and maintenance of roadways across five southeastern states, today reported financial and operating results for the quarter ended December 31, 2020.

# Key Metrics: First Quarter of Fiscal 2021 Compared to First Quarter of Fiscal 2020

- Revenue was \$190.9 million, up 8.9%
- Gross profit was \$30.6 million, up 28.8%
- Net income was \$7.9 million, up 44.1%
- Adjusted EBITDA<sup>(1)</sup> was \$23.1 million, up 34.4%
- Adjusted EBITDA margin<sup>(1)</sup> was 12.1%, up 230 bps

Project backlog at December 31, 2020 was \$655.6 million, compared to \$608.1 million at September 30, 2020.

Charles E. Owens, the Company's President and Chief Executive Officer, said, "We are pleased with our performance in the first quarter of fiscal 2021, and we are maintaining our previously announced outlook for the year. Consistent demand in both private and public markets, coupled with our disciplined approach in bidding and project management, effective utilization of crews and equipment, and vertical integration synergies, drove strong financial performance in the first quarter."

Owens continued, "We see strength in the funding programs across the states in which we operate, where the demand for road repair and maintenance is ongoing. We also expanded our geographic footprint in the first quarter with four bolt-on acquisitions in North Carolina. We now operate 48 hot-mix asphalt plants, which represent distinct markets across the five southeastern states that we serve."

Ned N. Fleming, III, the Company's Executive Chairman, stated, "The entire organization continues to operate at a highly effective level, yielding solid financial results. Many of the macroeconomic dynamics and positive internal factors that we experienced in the fourth quarter have persisted into this year. In addition, we have significantly expanded the number of markets in which we operate through the acquisition of 13 hot-mix asphalt plants in the past four months. Under the leadership and direction of our experienced management team, the future of the company is bright."

### **Conference Call**

The Company will conduct a conference call today at 9:00 a.m. Central Time to discuss financial and operating results for the fiscal 2021 first quarter ended December 31, 2020. To access the call live by phone, dial (412) 902-0003 and ask for the Construction Partners call at least 10 minutes prior to the start time. A telephonic replay will be available through February 12, 2020 by calling (201) 612-7415 and using passcode 13714879#. A webcast of the call will also be available live and for later replay on the Company's Investor Relations website at www.constructionpartners.net.

# **About Construction Partners, Inc.**

Construction Partners, Inc. is a vertically integrated civil infrastructure company operating across five southeastern states, with 48 hot-mix asphalt plants, nine aggregate facilities and one liquid asphalt terminal. Publicly funded projects make up the majority of its business and include local and state roadways, interstate highways, airport runways and bridges. The majority of the Company's public projects are maintenance-related. Private sector projects include paving and sitework for office and industrial parks, shopping centers, local businesses and residential developments. To learn more, visit www.constructionpartners.net.

<sup>(1)</sup> Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA margin are financial measures not presented in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"). Please see "Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures" at the end of this press release.

#### Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

Certain statements contained herein that are not statements of historical or current fact constitute "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These statements may be identified by the use of words such as "may," "will," "expect," "should," "anticipate," "intend," "project," "outlook," "believe" and "plan." The forward-looking statements contained in this press release include, without limitation, statements related to financial projections, future events, business strategy, future performance, future operations, backlog, financial position, estimated revenues and losses, projected costs, prospects, plans and objectives of management. These and other forward-looking statements are based on management's current views and assumptions and involve risks and uncertainties that could significantly affect expected results. Important factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed in the forward-looking statements, including, among others: our ability to successfully manage and integrate acquisitions; failure to realize the expected economic benefits of acquisitions, including future levels of revenues being lower than expected and costs being higher than expected; failure or inability to implement growth strategies in a timely manner; declines in public infrastructure construction and reductions in government funding, including the funding by transportation authorities and other state and local agencies; risks related to our operating strategy; competition for projects in our local markets; risks associated with our capital-intensive business; government requirements and initiatives, including those related to funding for public or infrastructure construction, land usage and environmental, health and safety matters; unfavorable economic conditions and restrictive financing markets; our ability to obtain sufficient bonding capacity to undertake certain projects; our ability to accurately estimate the overall risks, requirements or costs when we bid on or negotiate contracts that are ultimately awarded to us; the cancellation of a significant number of contracts or our disqualification from bidding for new contracts; risks related to adverse weather conditions; our substantial indebtedness and the restrictions imposed on us by the terms thereof; our ability to maintain favorable relationships with third parties that supply us with equipment and essential supplies; our ability to retain key personnel and maintain satisfactory labor relations; property damage, results of litigation and other claims and insurance coverage issues; risks related to our information technology systems and infrastructure; our ability to maintain effective internal control over financial reporting; risks from the COVID-19 pandemic, and the risks, uncertainties and factors set forth under "Risk Factors" in the Company's most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K and its subsequently filed Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made. The Company assumes no obligation to update forward-looking statements to reflect actual results, subsequent events, or circumstances or other changes affecting such statements except to the extent required by applicable law.

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- Financial Statements Follow -

# Construction Partners, Inc. Consolidated Statements of Income (unaudited, in thousands, except share and per share data)

	For the Three Months Ended December 31,			
		2020		2019
Revenues	\$	190,929	\$	175,314
Cost of revenues		160,335		151,557
Gross profit		30,594		23,757
General and administrative expenses		(20,084)		(17,113)
Gain on sale of equipment, net		333		309
Operating income		10,843		6,953
Interest expense, net		(468)		(281)
Other income		165		65
Income before provision for income taxes and earnings from investment in joint venture		10,540		6,737
Provision for income taxes		(2,680)		(1,319)
Earnings from investment in joint venture		11		43
Net income	\$	7,871	\$	5,461
Net income per share attributable to common stockholders:				
Basic	\$	0.15	\$	0.11
Diluted	\$	0.15	\$	0.11
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding:				
Basic		51,489,211		51,489,211
Diluted		51,717,848		51,609,380

# Construction Partners, Inc. Consolidated Balance Sheets (in thousands, except share and per share data)

	December 31, 2020		<b>September 30, 2020</b>		
	(ι	ınaudited)			
ASSETS					
Current assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	51,719	\$	148,316	
Contracts receivable including retainage, net		113,057		131,770	
Costs and estimated earnings in excess of billings on uncompleted contracts		12,148		7,873	
Inventories		41,719		38,561	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		9,980		5,041	
Total current assets		228,623		331,561	
Property, plant and equipment, net		285,235		237,230	
Operating lease right-of-use assets		6,938		7,383	
Goodwill		77,034		46,348	
Intangible assets, net		3,172		3,224	
Investment in joint venture		109		198	
Other assets		2,730		1,784	
Deferred income taxes		386		386	
Total assets	\$	604,227	\$	628,114	
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY					
Current liabilities:					
Accounts payable	\$	49,727	\$	64,732	
Billings in excess of costs and estimated earnings on uncompleted contracts	Ψ	30,930	Ψ	33,704	
Current portion of operating lease liabilities		1,712		2,046	
Current maturities of long-term debt		13,000		13,000	
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities		12,150		22,347	
Total current liabilities		107,519		135,829	
Long-term liabilities:		107,519		155,629	
Long-term debt, net of current maturities and deferred debt issuance costs		75,867		79,053	
Operating lease liabilities, net of current portion		5,422		5,554	
Deferred income taxes				14,003	
		14,003			
Other long-term liabilities		7,955		8,480	
Total long-term liabilities		103,247		107,090	
Total liabilities		210,766		242,919	
Commitments and contingencies					
Stockholders' equity:					
Preferred stock, par value \$0.001; 10,000,000 shares authorized at December 31, 2020 and September 30, 2020 and no shares issued and outstanding		_		_	
Class A common stock, par value \$0.001; 400,000,000 shares authorized, 33,875,884 shares issued and outstanding at December 31, 2020 and September 30, 2020		34		34	
Class B common stock, par value \$0.001; 100,000,000 shares authorized, 20,828,813 shares issued and 17,905,861 outstanding at December 31, 2020 and September 30, 2020		21		21	
Additional paid-in capital		245,417		245,022	
Treasury stock, at cost, 2.922,952 shares of Class B common stock, par value \$0.001		(15,603)		(15,603)	
Retained earnings		163,592		155,721	
Total stockholders' equity		393,461		385,195	
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	9		•		
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# Construction Partners, Inc. Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (unaudited, in thousands)

Cash flows from operating activities:  Net income  Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:  Depreciation, depletion and amortization of long-lived assets  Amortization of deferred debt issuance costs and debt discount	\$	7,871		2019
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Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:  Depreciation, depletion and amortization of long-lived assets	\$	7,871		
Depreciation, depletion and amortization of long-lived assets			\$	5,461
Amortization of deferred debt issuance costs and debt discount		11,094		9,438
		64		36
Unrealized gain on derivative instruments		(1,165)		(66)
Provision for bad debt		175		145
Gain on sale of equipment, net		(333)		(309)
Equity-based compensation expense		395		395
Earnings from investment in joint venture		(11)		(43)
Distribution of earnings from investment in joint venture		100		139
Other non-cash adjustments		(21)		(6)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of acquisition:				
Contracts receivable including retainage, net		18,538		21,981
Costs and estimated earnings in excess of billings on uncompleted contracts		(4,275)		(2,122)
Inventories		928		(1,535)
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		(4,119)		(2,943)
Other assets		(946)		331
Accounts payable		(15,255)		(21,815)
Billings in excess of costs and estimated earnings on uncompleted contracts		(2,774)		54
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities		(9,427)		(7,444)
Other long-term liabilities		(130)		(11)
Net cash provided by operating activities, net of acquisition		709		1,686
Cash flows from investing activities:				,,,,,
Purchases of property, plant and equipment		(10,462)		(23,595)
Proceeds from sale of equipment		492		492
Business acquisitions, net of cash acquired		(84,086)		(17,748)
Distributions received from investment in joint venture		(= 1,111)		361
Net cash used in investing activities		(94,056)		(40,490)
Cash flows from financing activities:		(>1,050)		(10,170)
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt, net of debt issuance costs and discount		_		9,777
Repayments of long-term debt		(3,250)		(2,149)
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities		(3,250)	-	7,628
Net change in cash and cash equivalents		(96,597)		(31,176)
Cash and cash equivalents:		(70,371)		(31,170)
Beginning of period		148,316		80,619
End of period	\$	51,719	\$	49,443
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Supplemental cash flow information:  Cash paid for interest	\$	672	\$	496
Cash paid for income taxes	\$	0/2	\$	300
Operating lease right-of-use assets obtained in exchange for operating lease liabilities	\$ \$	282	\$	217
Cash paid for operating lease liabilities	\$ \$	748	\$	870
Non-cash items:	Φ	/40	Ф	870
Property, plant and equipment financed with accounts payable	\$	1,549	\$	391

#### **Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

Adjusted EBITDA represents net income before, as applicable from time to time, (i) interest expense, net, (ii) provision (benefit) for income taxes, (iii) depreciation, depletion and amortization of long-lived assets, (iv) equity-based compensation expense, (v) loss on the extinguishment of debt and (vi) certain management fees and expenses. Adjusted EBITDA Margin represents Adjusted EBITDA as a percentage of revenues for each period. These metrics are supplemental measures of our operating performance that are neither required by, nor presented in accordance with, GAAP. These measures have limitations as analytical tools and should not be considered in isolation or as an alternative to net income or any other performance measure derived in accordance with GAAP as an indicator of our operating performance. We present Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA Margin because management uses these measures as key performance indicators, and we believe that securities analysts, investors and others use these measures to evaluate companies in our industry. Our calculation of Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA Margin may not be comparable to similarly named measures reported by other companies. Potential differences may include differences in capital structures, tax positions and the age and book depreciation of intangible and tangible assets.

The following table presents a reconciliation of net income, the most directly comparable measure calculated in accordance with GAAP, to Adjusted EBITDA and the calculation of Adjusted EBITDA Margin for the periods presented (in thousands, except percentages):

Construction Partners, Inc.
Net Income to Adjusted EBITDA Reconciliation
Fiscal Quarters Ended December 31, 2020 and 2019
(unaudited, in thousands, except percentages)

	 For the Three Months Ended December 31,			
	2020		2019	
Net income	\$ 7,871	\$	5,461	
Interest expense, net	468		281	
Provision for income taxes	2,680		1,319	
Depreciation, depletion and amortization of long-lived assets	11,094		9,438	
Equity-based compensation expense	395		395	
Management fees and expenses (1)	 617		314	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 23,125	\$	17,208	
Revenues	\$ 190,929	\$	175,314	
Adjusted EBITDA Margin	12.1%		9.8%	

<sup>(1)</sup> Reflects fees and reimbursement of certain out-of-pocket expenses under a management services agreement with an affiliate of SunTx Capital Partners, the Company's controlling stockholder.