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## **Nordblom continues construction on \$300 million The BEAT - former Boston Globe headquarters at 135 Morrissey Blvd**

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Boston, MA Construction continues at The BEAT, the repositioning of the former Boston Globe headquarters at 135 Morrissey Blvd. which reached another milestone with the completion of structural steel work. Construction is progressing on this \$300 million gut-rehab, with new windows and a brick façades being installed this month. The architect is Stantec and the contractor is John Moriarty Assocs.

Since redevelopment began last year, this building has begun to be retrofitted into a 700,000 s/f modern campus which may soon be home to robotics, life science, manufacturing, and office users,

all adding to the South Boston Red Line corridor.

Todd Fremont-Smith of Nordblom Company said “The recent focus has been on the user experience. Like any desirable town or city, what draws new companies to relocate or establish a headquarters there begins with the offerings for employees.” The BEAT will feature a four-story public atrium tying together the building’s main entrances, and serving as the setting for central gathering spaces, including multiple food & beverage offerings.

Amenities for tenants will also include a lifestyle fitness center, common roof deck, indoor basketball mini-court, conference center, golf simulator, 865 on-site parking spaces, and an indoor bicycle storage & repair facility.

The BEAT has access to, and visibility from, Rte. I-93 with the JFK/UMass Station on the MBTA Commuter Rail and Red Line, a four-minute walk. Commuters along the expressway have begun to notice the changes – with new signage marking the project’s massive and memorable water tank.

A new multi-use bike and walking path will be created to improve access to and from the site. Nordblom has also announced that they have entered into an agreement with the Department of Conservation & Recreation, allowing the team to connect to and maintain the adjacent Patten’s Cove public park.