



OWNER: Les Schwab Tire Centers

ARCHITECT: GBD Architects

GENERAL CONTRACTOR: Howard S. Wright, A Balfour Beatty Co.

OLDCASTLE DELIVERS TIME-SAVINGS AND CONSISTENCY FOR LES SCHWAB

PROJECT DETAILS

LOCATION: California, Oregon and Colorado

DESCRIPTION: Development of 72 Les Schwab Tire Centers

PRODUCTS SUPPLIED

Architectural Masonry
Glass Storefronts
Operable Windows
Precast Utility Vaults,
Plumbing & Concrete

Goal: Quality, Brand Integrity

Since 1952, Les Schwab has worked to set a higher standard in the tire industry, striving for the personal service of a neighbor down the street. Today, the company operates 442 locations across eight western states. When Les Schwab planned 72 new sites in California, Oregon and Colorado, it engaged Howard S. Wright as the general contractor. The owner's top priorities: keep construction on schedule, and maintain a uniform look and quality to preserve brand integrity at every store.

One Major Provider, One Phone Number To Call

As planning got underway, an Oldcastle contact introduced Howard S. Wright to Oldcastle Building Solutions. OBS works closely with general contractors to understand their needs and connect contractors into the wealth of products and product experts within Oldcastle. Howard S. Wright was intrigued by the idea of having one major provider for all stores as he wanted greater product consistency, less risk, simplified procurement and one phone number to call.

Howard S. Wright plans to work with Oldcastle on all 72 stores, bringing uniformity in masonry, openings, concrete, utilities and plumbing. OBS also connected the contractor with needed subcontractors in various markets. And when the contractor and owner sought a more durable, lower-maintenance exterior, Oldcastle masonry experts recommended solutions to accomplish the objective.

Expediting Construction By 3 Weeks Per Store

On each store, a direct relationship with Oldcastle helps keep projects on schedule and shaves three weeks off total construction time. The owner, Les Schwab, benefits from earlier store openings. And Howard S. Wright estimates it saves hundreds of man-hours on project management, enabling the contractor to be more competitive.

ROB KELLEHER

Sr. Project Manager, Howard S. Wright

A direct line of communication with Oldcastle Building Solutions helps us protect our schedule and bring consistent, improved products to our customer. The experience thus far with Oldcastle is changing the way we do business through improved communication, better value and reduced procurement risk.