

**Metal Fabrication and Machinery Manufacturing** 

Company Profiles



## **Sector Overview**

DaPaJo Construction Ltd., based in Brooks, Alberta is one of nearly 2,000 companies operating in Alberta's metal manufacturing and machinery fabrication sector (MFMM). The MFMM sector is expected to create revenues of \$10 to \$12 billion annually in the future. The sector employs over 35,000 Albertans and provides 50% of all fabricated metal products and 75% of all machinery used domestically.

Alberta's Metal Fabrication and Machinery Manufacturing Sector...
Offers world-class technology, machining, design and engineering capabilities;

Plays a critical role in the development of the Oil Sands through the supply of fabricated structural products, modules, boilers, pressure vessels, tanks, heat exchangers and steel pipe and tubes; Performs field installation and maintenance of equipment.

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DaPaJo Construction Ltd. has been serving Southeast Alberta and surrounding areas for 35 years. The company was started in June of 1979 by brothers Dave and Pat Zukowski. The manufacturing and construction of oil rigs is the company's primary business they also feature a broad range of capabilities. DaPaJo has a fully equipped fabrication and machine shop with top notch metal forming, punching, and shearing capabilities using the strictest tolerances. Their plant has fully equipped MIG, TIG, Stick, and Flux Cored processes and an experienced and professional welding department.

The plant's welding department is Canadian Welding Bureau (CWB) 47.1 certified and Alberta Boilers Safety Association (ABSA) certified for the past 10 years. With all welders being CWB certified, their structural expertise in the construction and certification of public structures, drilling rigs, and service rigs is unsurpassed.

Dave Zukowski of DaPaJo Construction says, "Our biggest success, product wise, has been our move to manufacture oil rigs. At times, we are booked fulltime for over a year in advance to provide rigs to our customers. We also provide cold tapping, hot tapping and offer a full range of inspection services."

DaPaJo facilities are in 2 shops, located on 12 acres in the heart of the Eastern Alberta Trade Corridor. Conveniently situated in the industrial park on the south side of Brooks, Alberta, their location

allows easy access from both Hwy #1 and Hwy #36 - Alberta's High Load Corridor to the Oil Sands development sites.

## **About DaPaJo Construction**

The company was founded in 1979. DaPaJo originally started out as a crew doing pipefitting and maintenance in the oil industry, including extensive work on oil rigs. As they steadily built up their oil industry expertise, the owners decided to expand into construction. In 1992, they moved into a new larger shop that saw their work area grow from 8,000 to 25,000 square feet. The manufacture and construction of oil rigs is one of their specialized business areas.

DaPaJo Construction has a quality control program certified by Alberta Boilers Safety Association to manufacture Pressure Vessels and registered fittings, as well as do repair and alterations to boilers and pressure vessels to meet ASME standards. DaPaJo also has fully qualified personnel for the construction of pressure piping to the B31.1 and B31.3 Codes.

DaPaJo customers can also be assured that safety is a high priority for the company. Their commitment to safety does not end with their employees. The safety of contractors, delivery persons, customers, road users and visitors is an important component of DaPaJo's comprehensive safety program.

## DaPaJo Construction Ltd. offers a variety of services for the oil & gas sector:

- "B" Pressure Welding Field/Shop
- Backhoe Service
- Facility Construction
- General Oilfield Maintenance
- Hot & Cold Tapping
- Custom Fabrication to Owners Specifications
   Well Abandonment's & Re-entries
- Plasma Cutting
- Plate Tubing & Pipe Rolling
- Portable Bridges
- Shear & Brake
- Portable Welding Trucks

#### **Customers include:**

Cenovus, Husky, Suncor, Precision Drilling, Bonanza Drilling, Ironhand Drilling, Quinterra Drilling and Department of National Defence Canada.

Products and core services	Structural steel fabrication Hot & Cold Tapping Shear & Brake Plate, Pipe, Tube Rolling Welding: 'B' Pressure welding, Aluminum Stainless Portable welding trucks	Special Equipment and/or Specialized Services	CNC Plasma cutting Ultrasonic thickness testing Mag particle inspection Dye Penetrant Testing Crane Certifications Vessel Alteration & Manufacture Piping Packages Complete Rig Manufacturing
Production Area (sq. ft.)	25,000 sq. ft.	Crane capacity	7 overhead cranes (2 - 5 Ton, 5 - 10 Ton)
Safety Plan	Certificate of Recognition (COR)	Capacity Tonne/Month	200-250 tons/month
Safety Registrations	ISNetworld, ComplyWorks PICS Safety Compliance	In-house engineering/tech services	P. Eng., (retained) Inspection Facility
Quality Assurance	In house QA/QC program in place ABSA Registered	Journeyman/Apprentices: Numbers and Trade	25 Journeyman Welders 9 Apprentice Welders 1 Journeyman Machinist 1 Apprentice Machinist 2 Shear & Brake Techs 1 Plasma Cutter Tech
Welding Certifications. Other Certifications	Canadian Welding Bureau Div 2 W47.1 Alberta Boiler Safety Association AQP-21107, ASME B31.1, 31.3, Mfg. of A,E & H Fittings		
Management Staff Total	5 39 <b>44</b>	Outdoor Storage (acres)	15 acres

### The Future

Dave Zukowski of DaPaJo Construction says, "The move to the new larger facility was very important to us. It allowed us the capacity to expand our operation and allow us to accommodate a wider range of projects." Along with this additional capacity comes an eagerness to work directly with other firms and contractors, or form new profitable partnerships.

The owners recognize that vast majority of the iron and consumables they use come from the United States, even if they are purchased via Canadian suppliers. New markets are welcome, and the possibility of U.S. companies expanding operations in the Eastern Alberta Trade Corridor is exciting for DaPaJo and other oilfield suppliers.











## **Eastern Alberta Trade Corridor**

The **Eastern Alberta Trade Corridor** is a major initiative underway to enhance and promote a north/south transportation corridor that stretches from the US border in the south to the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo in the north. The Eastern Alberta Trade Corridor will include Highways 36, 41 and 63, with links to the Edmonton-Calgary corridor to the west, to Alberta's abundant resources in the north east, and onto Saskatchewan in the east. It will become a major component of the "Ports to Plains Corridor" of the United States, Canada and Mexico.

There are over \$100 billion in Major Capital Projects happening right now in the **Eastern Alberta Trade Corridor** (EATC). The EATC is part of the world's second largest oil reserves - the Alberta Oil Sands.

# Why are businesses investing in the EATC?

- Great location between markets and suppliers in Northern Alberta and the U.S.
- Close access to major centres, but with low land costs
- Excellent north-south and east-west transportation routes
- Plenty of room to expand operations
- Diversified business sectors including energy, agriculture and manufacturing
- Excellent quality of life to attract new workers

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