

## Carolina Place Mall Pineville, North Carolina

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Carolina Place Mall is located in Pineville, North Carolina, a southern suburb of Charlotte. The 90-acre site is strategically situated at the interchange of N.C. Hwy. 51 with the I-485 Charlotte Bypass. In addition to sitework for the mall, Pharr prepared plans for a public street and for 80 acres of peripheral lands. The public street, Carolina Place Parkway, connects N.C. Hwy. 51 with U.S. Hwy. 521 and provides access to the mall and peripheral lands.

The sitework was constructed on a fast-track schedule. Continuous coordination between the Architect, the Contractor, and Pharr was essential in obtaining temporary site access and preparing the building pads

prior to the completion of the architectural plans. In addition to the mall and parkway design, Pharr coordinated with the North Carolina D.O.T. on the widening of N.C. Hwy. 51. Coordination with the Charlotte-Mecklenberg Utility Department was also required to allow construction above their sanitary sewer tunnel.

The major sitework items included the following:

- Building pads for 1,100,000 square feet of gross leasable area
- 5,663 parking spaces
- 1,100,000 cubic yards of excavation
- 4,400 linear feet of 4-lane parkway



A unique aspect of the project was the opening of the J.C. Penney department store two months prior to the mall opening. Pharr was responsible for establishing the construction sequence and developing a traffic control plan to facilitate this situation. Within a year of the opening, plans were begun for the addition of a fifth department store. Pharr was responsible for all sitework issues, including formulating a traffic access plan to minimize disruption of the mall's daily activities during construction.