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**Football facility construction begins**

*Summary: Area residents may have felt the earth move under their feet on Monday as work began on the joint football facility that will be used by the Morris Area High School and the University of Minnesota, Morris.*

(May 17, 2006)-Area residents may have felt the earth move under their feet on Monday as work began on the joint football facility that will be used by the Morris Area High School and the University of Minnesota, Morris.

As the general contractor for the project, Riley Bros. Companies began preparing the site with heavy equipment, to which Dave Aronson, UMM's project coordinator, commented, "We don't use shovels for a groundbreaking, we go with earth movers."

The \$2.8 million facility, which will be located near the city's water tower between UMM and MAHS, is expected to be completed in time for the fall 2006 football season. UMM received money for the project in its 2005 state bonding allocation. MAHS included money for the project included in its elementary school building budget.

To view an aerial photo of the facility's location, visit [fbfacility](#). For details about the football facility, visit [www.morrissuntribune.com/](http://www.morrissuntribune.com/)

[Photo by Brian Curtis, UMM Athletics]

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