

## CASE STUDY



### PROJECT DETAILS

**Project Name:**

Baumann Wisconsin  
Ginseng

**Location:**

Wausau, WI

**Project Architect:**

Smartline Design

**Project Contractor:**

S.D. Ellenbecker

**Key Products:**

Hollowcore

## Hollowcore Maximizes Functional Space within Central Wisconsin Ginseng Facility

**Solutions:** Hollowcore planks optimize installation speed

With nutrient-rich soil, Central Wisconsin is one of the best regions in the world to grow ginseng, a root commonly used for its herbal properties. Baumann Wisconsin Ginseng, the largest producer of American ginseng in the state, began tracking their product from farm-to-table to ensure its authenticity. This tracking system provided an opportunity for growth, allowing them to expand their drying and storage space. County Prestress' hollowcore proved ideal for the project.

S.D. Ellenbecker of Athens, WI was contracted to build the multi-purpose structure. Hollowcore was used for its high-performance strength, allowing long spans to be constructed without the need for additional columns, providing greater functionality for the root drying facility. The expansive space was also beneficial for storing large farm equipment.

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County Prestress' hollowcore offers speed of installation and structural benefits. Hollowcore is manufactured to specification and prepared to be installed upon delivery, optimizing construction timelines. Hollowcore can be installed year-round. This facility was constructed during the winter months to prepare for the growing season ahead. Hollowcore provided a long-lasting storage solution with minimal disruption to agricultural operations.

County Prestress manufactured and delivered 9,240 SF of hollowcore to construct this expansive agricultural structure that Baumann Wisconsin Ginseng can utilize for many decades.



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