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**Novak Construction Breaks Ground in Central Indiana - New Portillo's in Fishers**

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Located on 116<sup>th</sup> Street just east of I-69, the highly anticipated 9,000 square foot Restaurant broke ground this morning, Friday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> led by Portillo's and Novak Construction. Portillo's CEO, Keith Kinsey joined by Sam Herston (Director of Rest. Development), Walter Sydor (Portillo's In-House Architect), Sherri Abruscato (Portillo's COO) and Mayor Scott Fadness were present at the ceremony.

This 4 acre site includes new site utilities, concrete sidewalks and curbs, asphalt paving, and full site improvements. The 250 seat restaurant will be a CMU structure with brick veneer and architectural steel elements. It will include a patio and double drive-thru. This location will feature a Prohibition-era theme that will include a roof top water tower and a suspended antique vehicle.

Project Director and Novak Vice President-Restaurant Group, Dan Moriarity, noted that Novak Construction is very excited to bring Portillo's to this rapidly growing Fishers area.

This location is scheduled to open in the Fall of 2017. Novak also has two other Portillo's projects currently under construction in Normal, IL and Woodbury, MN.

**ABOUT NOVAK CONSTRUCTION**

Celebrating its 37<sup>th</sup> year, Novak Construction ([www.novakconstruction.com](http://www.novakconstruction.com)), founded by John Novak in 1980, is a top tier, nationally-recognized General Contractor and Construction Management firm known for its well-rounded portfolio and many projects in the retail, industrial, corporate, institutional, healthcare, hospitality, and multi-family/mixed-use sectors. Novak Construction has consistently been named as one of Chicago's Top General Contractors. In October 2015, Novak Construction Company was awarded AIA Chicago's Design Excellence Award - General Contractor for its *By The Hand Club for Kids* project.

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