

# Making the Slate Clean

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES ARE HUDSPETH & ASSOCIATES' SPECIALTY. BY KELLY McCABE

With three distinct business units offering environmental remediation solutions and general construction services, Hudspeth & Associates can literally clean any mess. The Englewood, Colo.-based company has three business divisions: asbestos, lead and mold abatement; environmental remediation; and general construction.

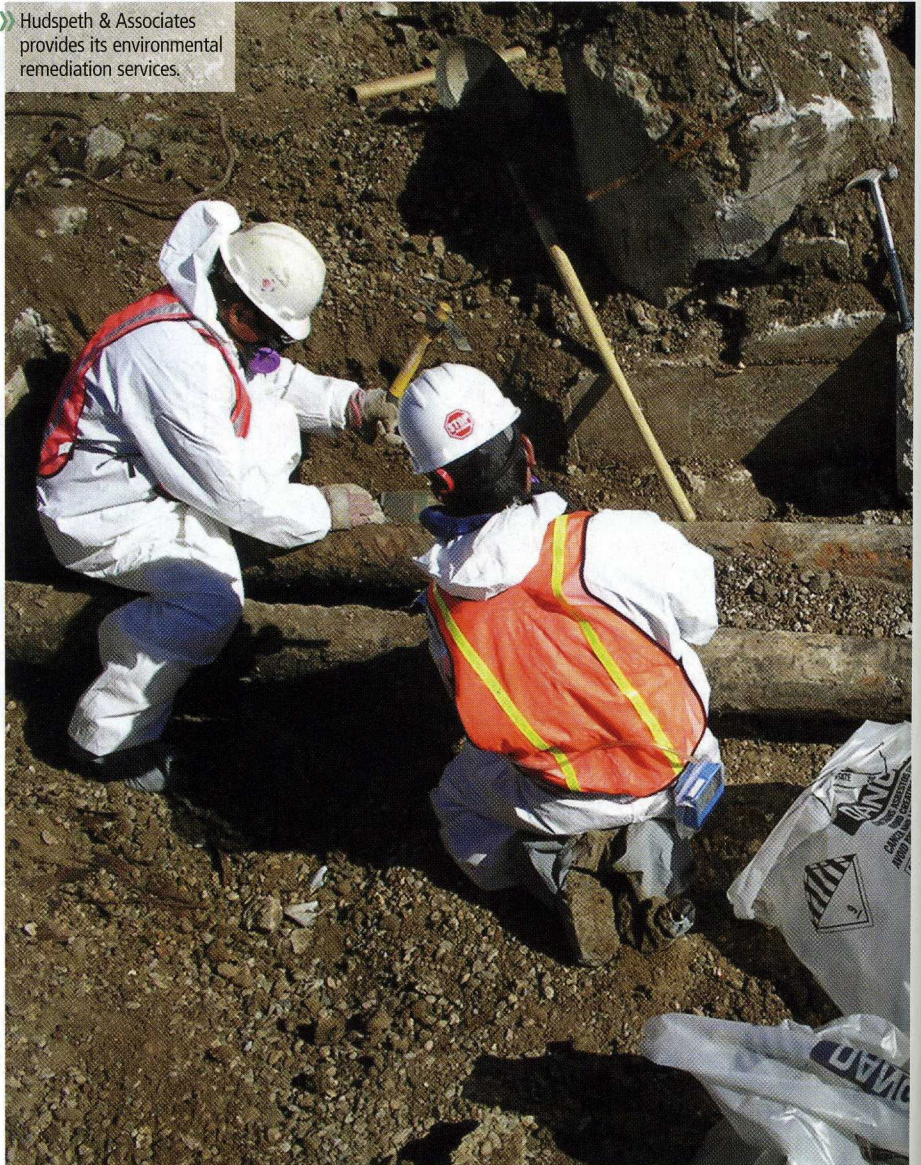
"We truly provide a full service," owner and President Robert Levitt says. "Not many organizations can bond environmental projects and construction projects, so our full suite of services is our differentiating factor."

Hudspeth's abatement division includes "guys in personal protective suits" who perform the service in buildings, soil and utilities, he says. "Having successfully completed thousands of abatement type projects in occupied and unoccupied facilities, our readily available resources allow our professionals to take on any size project," the company says.

The remediation division provides clients with environmental solutions, which include handling of non-hazardous and hazardous materials, soils, sludge and debris. Hudspeth owns heavy equipment, such as tracked excavators, loaders, tandem trucks, etc., which it applies to remediation projects for numerous military, federal and high-profile commercial facilities throughout the United States. The remediation division also provides earthwork, civil work and demolition services at refineries and performs the installation of underground utilities for clients such as Kum & Go convenience stores.

"Our highly trained personnel have the knowledge, experience and required certifications to successfully implement numerous site cleanup technologies and the handling of hazardous and non-hazardous soils, sludge and debris," the company states. "[We] also perform the removal and installation of 500 to 20,000-gallon underground storage tanks and above-

Hudspeth & Associates provides its environmental remediation services.



## Hudspeth & Associates

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- 2008 revenues: \$15 million
- Headquarters: Englewood, Colo.
- Employees: 150 to 180
- Services: Asbestos, lead and mold abatement; environmental remediation; and general construction

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The company's general construction division, which was started in 2006, remodels and builds ground-up structures such as Air Force barracks, convenience stores, gas stations and

fitness centers. "We figured that if we remediate and demolish it, we might as well build it," Levitt states. "We started it because a client of ours asked us to, because we provided our core competencies well. So they asked us if we could do certain types of services for them.

"This way, with the construction industry, you can be a lot more pragmatic in managing the company," he continues. "Environmental projects are typically reactionary: it's relative to land development and is usually an afterthought. But the construction division has allowed us a backlog of work."

Hudspeth & Associates has additional offices in Grand Junction, Colo., and Las Vegas. It typically performs work in the West, but "we'll go nationwide for certain clients," Levitt says. Darrell Hudspeth and Levitt founded the company in 1998 as an environmental consulting firm. "Because the market was so flooded with

