





# BIRD CONSTRUCTION INC. TSX: BDT









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"Backlog" (also referred to in the construction industry as "work on hand") is the total value of all contracts awarded to the Company, less the total value of work completed on these contracts as of the date of the most recently completed quarter. This includes all contracts that have been awarded to the Company whether the work has commenced or will commence in the normal course. It includes all of the Company's remaining performance obligations in its contracts with its clients. It does not include amounts for variable consideration that are constrained, agency relationship construction management projects, and estimated future work orders to be performed as part of master services agreements.

"Pending Backlog" is the total potential revenue of awarded but not contracted projects including where the Company has been named preferred proponent, where a contract has not been executed and where the letter of intent or agreement received are non-binding. It may also include amounts for agency relationship construction management projects, preconstruction activities and estimated future work orders to be performed as part of master services agreements. Management does not provide any assurance that a contract will be finalized, or revenue recognized in the future.

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#### **CURRENCY**

Unless otherwise indicated, all currency in this presentation is presented in Canadian dollars.

### **COVID-19 UPDATE**

#### EMPLOYEE HEALTH AND SAFETY

- Pandemic response plan and a rigorous COVID-19 health and safety program in place.
- Best practices in place for managers and site teams: self-assessment tools, enhanced cleaning protocols and hygiene measures, physical distancing practices, new COVID-19 measure audits, and additional personal protective equipment requirements.
- Online COVID-19 information centres and remote work practices facilitated by information technology.

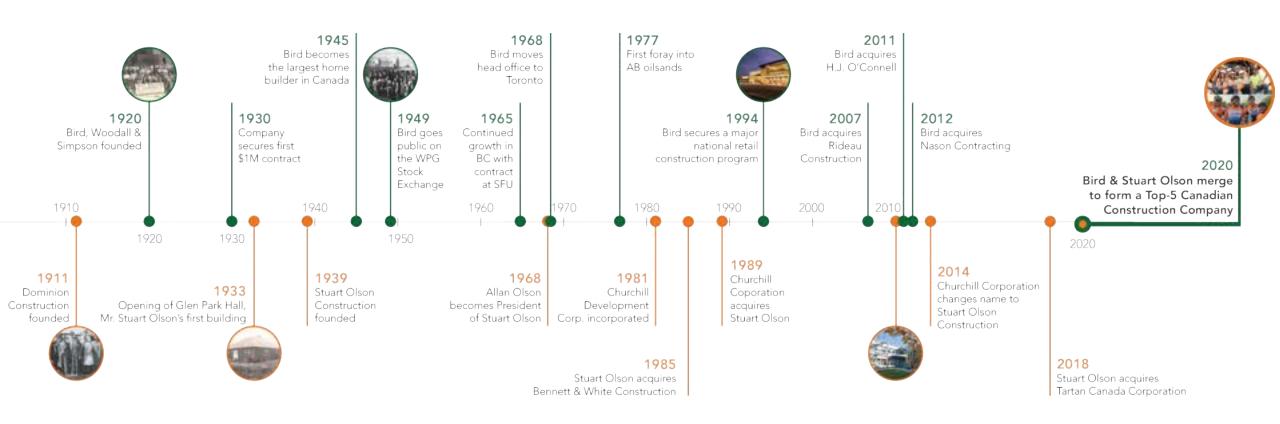
# FINANCIAL IMPACT

- Bird experienced **delays in project conversions** from Pending Backlog to Backlog, as well as in project tenders and awards, which negatively impacted 2020 revenue by ~\$175M, with continuing impacts into 2021.
- The Company has experienced temporary or partial shutdowns in Q1 2021 in BC due to Public Health protocols. Projects in Atlantic Canada and Manitoba continued to be delayed.
- These delays will have a **negative impact on first half 2021 revenues and profitability** as active projects are impacted and customers defer decisions as the pandemic persists.
- Management does not anticipate to qualify for CEWS to the same level in 2021 as 2020, which will exert downward pressure on profitability margin year-over-year, as the Company expects to maintain its workforce.

#### FLEXIBLE COST STRUCTURE AND STRONG BALANCE SHEET

- Proactive management and measures to optimize and create a flexible cost structure.
- Maintained a strong balance sheet and strong liquidity position throughout the pandemic.
- · Reduced discretionary spending and deferred capital expenditures.

## OVER 100 YEARS BUILDING CANADA



## BIRD CONSTRUCTION (TSX:BDT)

\$1.5B

FULL-YEAR 2020 REVENUE

\$41.6M

FULL-YEAR 2020 **ADJUSTED EARNINGS**  \$81.9M

FULL-YFAR 2020 ADJUSTED EBITDA \$2.7B

BACKLOG at December 31, 2020 \$467.2M

MARKET CAP at March 26, 2021



26.5%

2-YR SHAREHOLDFR RETURN (Incl. Dividend) \$0.39

**ANNUALIZED** DIVIDEND

+82%

**EMPLOYEES ARE** SHAREHOLDERS<sup>(1)</sup>



5,000+**EMPLOYEES** 



NATIONAL **PRESENCE** 





# DIVERSE **EXPERTISE**

Delivering solutions from coast-to-coast, serving a broad scope of end-markets.

Comprehensive range of construction services from new construction for industrial, commercial, and institutional markets; to industrial maintenance, repair and operations services, heavy civil construction, and contract surface mining; as well as vertical infrastructure including, electrical, mechanical, and specialty trades.



















### FULL-SUITE SERVICE OFFERING

#### **DIVERSIFIED REVENUE STREAMS**



Reflecting its broad scope, Bird's clients include leading firms in the energy, mining, commercial, institutional, retail, multi-tenant residential, industrial, water and wastewater, renewables, nuclear, and civil sectors. **Bird generates consistent diversified revenue streams** through its enhanced service offerings across a multitude of markets and industries.



## CONSTRUCTING A STRONG FOUNDATION

#### DRIVING SUPERIOR SHAREHOLDER VALUE CREATION

• Balanced and disciplined approach to capital allocation

#### TARGETING SUSTAINABLE PROFITABLE GROWTH

- Managing risk profile through diversification
- Recurring revenue focus
- Consistent margin improvement

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL, GOVERNANCE**

 Building value for communities through responsible and sustainable operations and building relationships with a client-first focus

#### INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY VALUE

• Technology solutions that drive efficiency, performance and safe, proactive worksites

#### **MERGERS AND ACQUISITIONS**

• Focus on Stuart Olson integration, maximizing value, and realizing synergies

#### **FOUNDATIONAL SUCCESS**

- Building our diverse team of experienced professionals, creating a high-performance, inclusive, and engaging culture
- Strong balance sheet provides the Company the ability to build up

## **STRONG TEAM OF CONSTRUCTORS**

# LEVERAGING OUR TALENTED LEADERSHIP TEAM

 Executive leadership and operational leadership composed of experienced professionals each with over 25 years in the industry

## DEEP BENCH STRENGTH AND RECRUITING FOR THE FUTURE

• Building a high-performance culture centred on great people

Competitive people programs and dynamic platform for career growth

#### ROBUST PEOPLE PROGRAMS SUPPORTING CONTINUOUS LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT

- Bird employee management training program
- Field leadership and site management development programs
- Eagles Flight Leadership training
- Highly-aligned workforce through employee share purchase program

# CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT AND INNOVATION FOCUS

- Leveraging technology solutions to support the business, mitigate risk, and equip employees with robust and effective tools, programs, and platforms
- Regular and rigorous review of existing and future technology tools

## COMMITTED TO DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

- Mandatory Indigenous Cultural Awareness Training Program
- Progressive Aboriginal Relations certified Canadian Council for Aboriginal Business
- Inaugural member of the Aboriginal Procurement Champions Group
- Employer Champion for National Strategy for Supporting Women in Trades



foundational success

## TRANSFORMATIONAL ACQUISITION





TOTAL CONSIDERATION

\$1B

BACKLOG

+\$600M

PENDING BACKLOG +\$900M

REVENUE





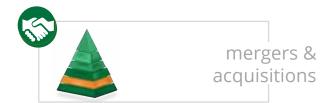






**FOCUSED** 





## INTEGRATION UPDATE - SYNERGIES

#### Bird closed its acquisition of Stuart Olson in the third quarter of 2020

Fourth quarter 2020 represents first full quarter of Stuart Olson results



- Stuart Olson was accretive to full-year adjusted earnings in 2020
- Progress has been made in identifying and realizing the previously announced \$25M in forecasted synergies.
- Annualized Adjusted EBITDA synergies of \$10M are expected to ramp up through 2021.

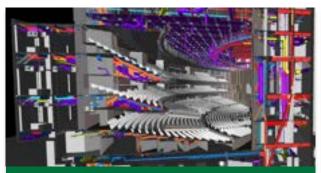


- The annualized interest savings target of \$10M was achieved and \$5M amortization cost savings were realized.
- Of the \$10.0 million in EBITDA synergies, we have set in motion \$6.9 million in annualized cost savings.



- We have identified, and are realizing, further cross-selling opportunities and expect these opportunities to accelerate over time.
- Securing contracts that provide recurring revenue streams and excellent visibility to forward revenues.
- The addition of Stuart Olson has further balanced our risk profile of our Backlog through 12 end market diversification and contracting methods.

## LEVERAGING INNOVATION & TECHNOLOGY



BUILDING INFORMATION MODELLING AND VIRTUAL DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION

Utilizing integrated multidisciplinary performance models such as BIM/VDC to mitigate risk, enhance processes, and support the bottom line of our business, and our clients.



MAINTENANCE, REPAIR, AND OPERATION MANAGEMENT

Multi-year maintenance and turnaround contracts supporting major oil & gas clients through bundled service offerings, facility maintenance, and predictive technologies.



LEVERAGING INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS

Leveraging a variety of tools from virtual reality, drones, infrared scanning, and automated project software to strengthen our service offerings and save our clients time and money.



SMART BUILDING PERFORMANCE TECHNOLOGY

Lifecycle building performance services through optimization, and integrated technologies from the planning stages, through to commissioning, and post-warranty.



innovation and technology value

# STACK **MODULAR**

Turnkey solution bridging the gap between site and modular construction. Structural steel modular buildings up to 40-storeys for multi-family, hospitality, senior (long-term care) and student housing, and resource clients.

**RAPID DELIVERY** ACROSS CANADA & THE USA

**OPPORTUNITIES** MARKET POISED FOR GROWTH

**SCHEDULE AND COST CERTAINTY & PREDICTABILITY** 

**GREEN** REDUCED WASTE AND HIGH ENERGY EFFICIENCY PRODUCT







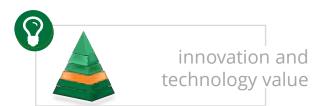
## MASS **TIMBER**

Bird is a North American leader in wood construction with unmatched expertise, experience, and supply chain knowledge.

>\$1.27B COMPLETED OR UNDER CONSTRUCTION

>\$234M PRECONSTRUCTION

>\$1.02B OPPORTUNITIES ACROSS CANADA











## BRINGING VALUE TO COMMUNITIES



#### **ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP**

- LEED certified projects and professionals
- First Zero Carbon Certification project in Canada
- Leader in Mass Timber renewable and captures carbon
- Waste diversion programs
- Project specific mitigation plans for air emissions, water, soil, and waste

>200 LEED Certified Projects **26**<sup>(1)</sup> Mass Timber projects completed or underway



#### **SOCIAL** RESPONSIBILITY

- Support for health care foundations, food and clothing banks, community events, and youth initiatives
- National scholarships program
- Strong national Indigenous relations
- Mandatory Indigenous Cultural Awareness Training Program
- Recent re-certification of Bronze-level PAR certified and an inaugural member of the Aboriginal **Procurement Champions Group**

**Progressive Aboriginal** RELATIONS





#### **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

- A strong culture of ethical conduct
- Recognition of the benefits of promoting Board diversity
- Whistleblower Policy
- Regular in-camera meetings, without officers and management present
- Regular performance evaluations

**90%** Independent Board Members 20% of Bird's Directors are women >82%<sup>(2)</sup> of Employees are Shareholders



Inaugural Sustainability Report Released in 2020 Annual Report on Tuesday, March 30, 2021

### BUILDING SUSTAINABLE GROWTH











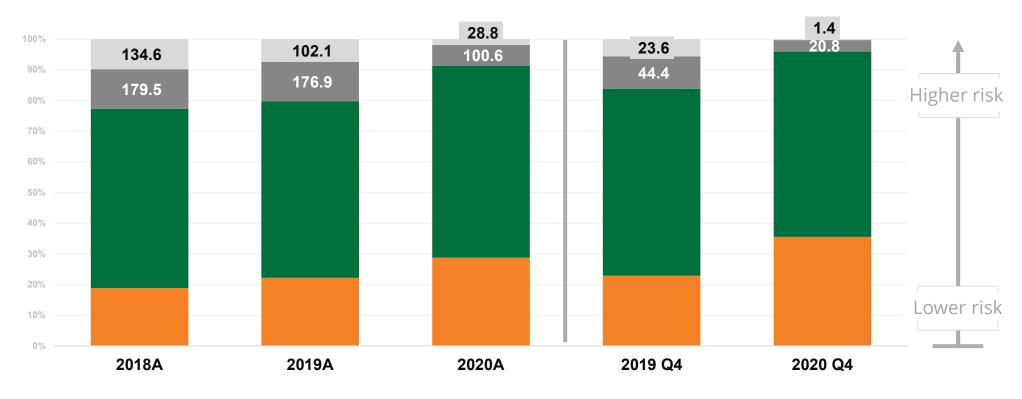


#### **DIVERSIFYING RISK REVENUE** BY CONTRACT TYPE

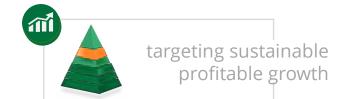
#### in millions of Canadian dollars



- Design-Build-Finance
- · Complex Design-Build
  - Stipulated Sum Unit Price
- Specified Design-Build
- **Construction Management**
- **Integrated Project Delivery** 
  - Cost-Plus



- Increased diversification across services, end-markets and geographies; wellbalanced portfolio of low-to-medium risk projects.
- Over 90% percent of revenue is considered low-to-medium risk and supports the company balanced revenue mix target. Focus on maintaining balance going forward.



## **NEW CONTRACT AWARDS**









NIVERSITY NANAIMO CORRECTIONAL \$154M









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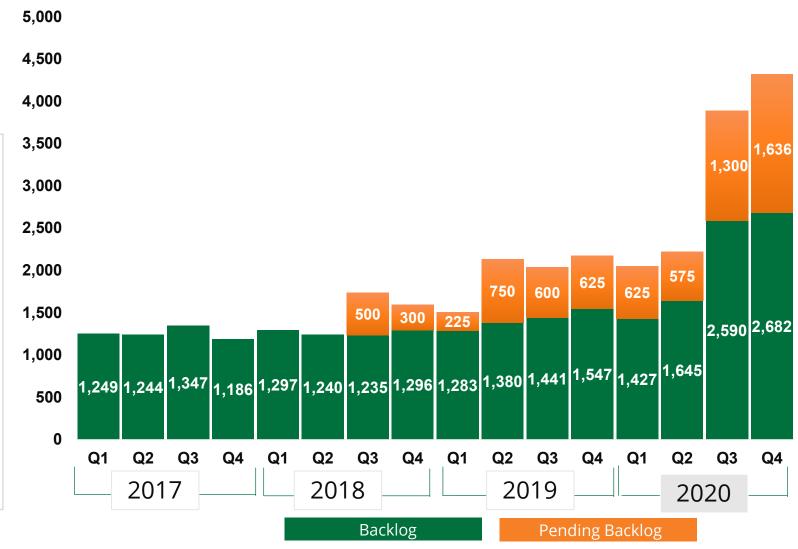
## STRONG BACKLOG & PENDING BACKLOG<sup>1</sup>

in millions of Canadian dollars

# **59%** of Backlog expected to convert into Revenue over the next 12 months

#### **DECEMBER 31, 2020**

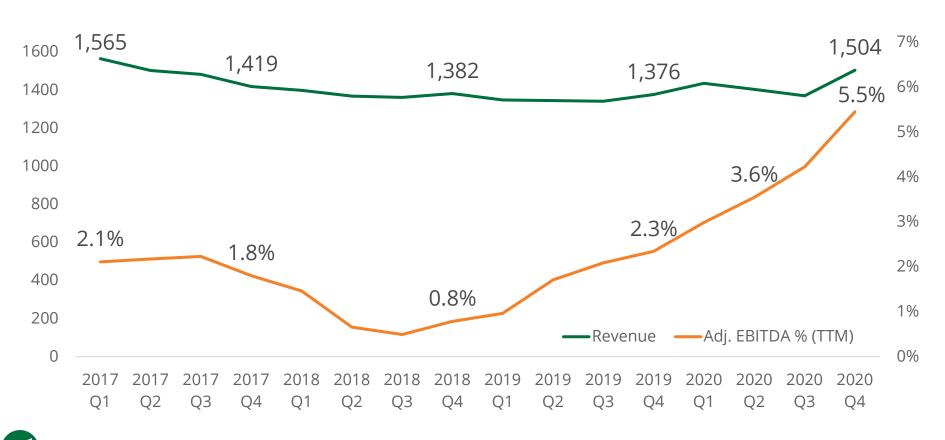
- Year-end Backlog was approx. \$2.7B
- Year-end Pending Backlog was \$1.6B
- Backlog increase of 73.4% year-over-year
- Increase primarily due to the acquisition of Stuart Olson which added \$996 million to Backlog at acquisition date
- Pending Backlog now includes a greater proportion MSA contracts. These contracts represent a recurring revenue stream over the next one to six years



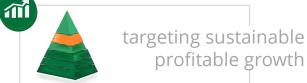
#### **INCREASING ADJUSTED EBITDA MARGIN**

in millions of Canadian dollars

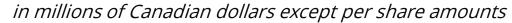
#### TRAILING TWELVE MONTH (TTM) ADJUSTED EBITDA

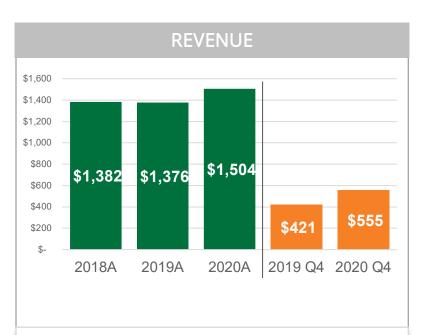




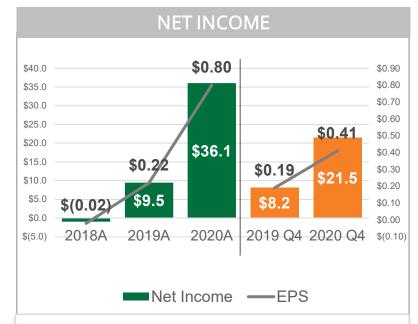


## REVENUE, NET INCOME AND ADJUSTED EARNINGS

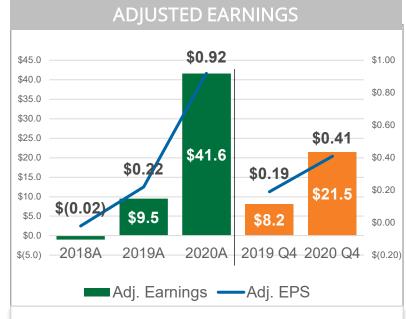




- Q3'20 revenue of \$345.1M is down year-over-year from \$378.6M
- 2020TTM at Q3 revenue growth yearover-year despite headwinds from COVID-19 pandemic and includes \$14M from Stuart Olson



- Q3'20 Net Income of \$8.8M improved year-over-year from \$6.8M
- 2020TTM at Q3 EPS growth yearover-year despite headwinds from COVID-19 pandemic and acquisition & integration costs



- Q3'20 Adjusted Earnings of \$12.4M improved year-over-year from \$6.8M
- 2020TTM at Q3 Adjusted EPS growth year-over-year despite headwinds from COVID-19 pandemic



targeting sustainable profitable growth

## **STRONG FINANCIAL POSITION**

Q4 2020

30.6%

LT DEBT TO EQUITY 1.20

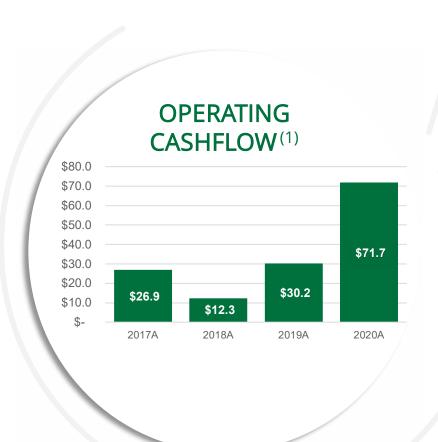
CURRENT RATIO (0.29x)

ADJUSTED NET DEBT/ TTM ADJUSTED EBITDA<sup>(1)</sup>

- Q4'20 announced new syndicated credit facilities \$165M revolving credit facility and a \$35M committed, non-revolving term debt facility
  - Accordion feature for up to additional \$50M
- Leverage remains one of the industry's lowest, providing flexibility to successfully grow the business organically or through mergers/acquisitions

DECEMBER 31, 2020 in millions of Canadian dollars	
Non-restricted cash	\$ 96.7
Restricted cash	\$ 55.2
Held in joint operations accounts	<u>\$ 60.2</u>
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 212.1
Adjusted net debt	\$ (23.8)
Shareholder Equity	\$ 212.6

#### **BALANCED CAPITAL** ALLOCATION PRIORITIES





CAPEX (2)









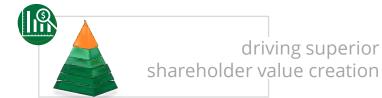
MERGER & **ACQUISITION OPPORTUNITIES** 





**LONG-TERM** DEBT **REPAYMENT** 

Repay all or a portion of the \$25M drawn on the revolving committed syndicated facility



### WHY INVEST IN BIRD

Maintaining A Strong Balance
Sheet With Significant
Financial Flexibility

A **Leading** Canadian Construction Company

Delivering Long-term
Shareholder Value

Diversified National Presence

Diversifying Book
Of Business And
Increasing Recurring Revenue
Streams

Maintaining Backlog Risk Profile Within Acceptable Parameters

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Proven Track Record Of Growth Through Accretive M&A Key Focus On Overall
Pro Forma Margin
Improvement Upon Full
Integration Of Stuart Olson

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# QUESTIONS





## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS



Healthy Backlog of \$2.7B and Pending Backlog<sup>(2)</sup> of \$1.6B



**HEALTHY** 

**BACKLOG** 

Strong Balance Sheet and healthy pipeline of opportunities entering 2021

Q4 2020<sup>(1)</sup> \$555M 32% **RFVFNUF** 133% \$61.5M **GROSS PROFIT** \$40.0M 150% ADJUSTED EBITDA \$21.5M 164% **ADJUSTED EARNINGS** 116% \$0.41 ADJUSTED EPS

FY 2020<sup>(1)</sup>

\$1.5B 9%

**RFVFNUF** 

\$126.3M

78%

**GROSS PROFIT** 

\$81.9M

153%

ADJUSTED EBITDA

\$41.6M

338%

**ADJUSTED EARNINGS** 

\$0.92

318%

**ADJUSTED EPS**