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Communities in Development

➤ Contrary to prevailing wisdom, construction of golf communities hasn't come to a complete stop. True, the capital isn't flowing as freely as before, but there are still some earthmoving machines out there at work. Although there are no guarantees for their future, here are 12 communities that are moving ahead, even in this tough climate.

Albany

New Providence Island, Bahamas

Tiger Woods is one of the investors at this community centered around the Albany House estate. When the resort opens, the amenities will include a golf course designed by Ernie Els and a marina big enough for Tiger's 155-foot yacht.

albanybahamas.com

Bahia de los Sueños

La Paz, Mexico

After years in development, word is that Tom Doak's first course in Mexico is ready to open very soon. The waterfront desert layout will be the showcase of this resort community located along the Sea of Cortez.

bahiasuenos.com

Baker's Bay

Great Guana Cay, Bahamas

Work is progressing on Tom Fazio's first course in the Bahamas. Scheduled to open next year, the layout will continue the longstanding relationship between Fazio and the developer, Discovery Land Company.

bakersbayclub.com

Brunswick Forest

Leland, N.C.

The planned spring opening of the Tim Cate-designed Cape Fear National will add another activity for residents of the 4,500-acre community, where there are many real estate options among the 11 neighborhoods.

brunswickforest.com

Christophe Harbour

St. Kitts, West Indies

Developed by Kiawah Development Partners, this community will feature a Tom Fazio layout and a yacht club at its natural harbor, which will be home to a marine village.

christopheharbour.com

CostaBaja

La Paz, Mexico

Many of the amenities, including the 250-slip marina and the beach club, are already in place and are awaiting the planned 2010 opening of Gary Player's first design in Mexico.

costabajaresort.com

Kingston on Lake Oconee

Buckhead, Ga.

The Gary Player-designed course located along the shores of one of Georgia's largest lakes is still under construction, but the developers are already looking ahead by offering incentives like 10 years of free golf for the first purchasers.

kingstononlakeoconee.com

PGA Village the Bahamas

Cat Island, Bahamas

Ground has been broken on the first resort community outside the United States to be licensed by the PGA of America. Rees Jones has been tapped to design the first course at this 1,906-acre property.

pgavillagethebahamas.com

Pristine Bay

Roatan, Honduras

Octogenarian Pete Dye is as busy as ever. He is finishing up a 7,179-yard layout, scheduled to open in the spring, on a tropical island 30 miles off the coast of Honduras.

pristinebayresort.com

Reynolds Blue Ridge

Blowing Rock, N.C.

Originally developed by Bobby Ginn, Reynolds Signature Communities has taken over the property that used to be known as Laurelmore. Reynolds has hired Rees Jones to finish the course at the 6,000-acre property.

reynoldsblueridge.com

River Rock

Cashiers, N.C.

River Rock will feature Phil Mickelson's second course design, following his successful debut at Whisper Rock in Scottsdale, Arizona.

riverrocknc.com

White Oak Golf & Equestrian Community

Tryon, N.C.

This community located between Charlotte and Asheville will bring together two popular British Open champions: Arnold Palmer, who is designing the course, and Padraig Harrington, who will make it his home club in the United States.

whiteoaklife.com