

XL 5100 III excavator has **DESIGNED-IN VERSATILITY** that pays off for regional water district.



Accomplishing a range of both construction and maintenance jobs with a single machine is a huge plus for the Tarrant Regional Water District, based around Fort Worth, Texas. As part of its flood control and water quality concerns, the district maintains a stretch of the Trinity River over 40 miles in length, where a Gradall® model XL 5100 III was being used to create a bike path.

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“We use Gradalls for lots of different jobs along the river,” said Doug Mobley, Equipment Coordinator and Fleet Manager for the district. They include building and maintaining roads, repairing river banks and spreading rip-rap. ❖ The district performs similar functions at four major reservoirs and has constructed 150 miles of water pipelines, 27 miles of floodway levees, more than 40 miles of river trails and a 260-acre wetland water reuse project aimed at increasing future water supplies for some 1.6 million people in the North Central Texas area. ❖ The district benefits from the productivity that can be achieved by one man and one Gradall excavator. On the bike path project, the model XL 5100 III was used to move soil, create precise drainage slopes and create the right grade for paving along the river. ❖ While spreading soil with the telescoping, tilting boom, the operator further benefited from a new convenience feature that’s standard on all Series III machines. A button on one of the joystick controls initiates a “bucket shake” function, which makes efficient soil distribution even more convenient. Another new standard feature is air conditioning – something operators appreciate in hot Texas weather. ❖ While the crew frequently leaves the XL 5100 III on job sites overnight, returning it to the safety of the equipment yard is also easy. Like other highway speed excavators, the XL 5100 III can be driven back to the yard at night. Unlike its predecessor models, the XL 5100 III has just one engine to operate the carrier and the upperstructure, which provides less routine maintenance and controls the initial purchase price of the machine. ❖ For more information about Gradall’s Series III models, contact your Gradall distributor or visit our web site at www.gradall.com



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