Awards Presentation

The AGC/WSDOT Lead Team will contact the winning project team and present the Partnership for Excellence in Contract Administration awards during the Annual AGC/WSDOT Joint Meeting and the WSDOT Annual Statewide Project Engineer’s Conference.

Application Package

Each Entry must include the following:

1. A single completed nomination form signed by both the Contractor and the Project Engineer.
2. A brief overview of the nominated project.
3. A brief narrative from the Project Engineer and the Contractor’s Project Manager summarizing how they were able to achieve the key categories described in the brochure (finalists may need to provide additional information, either in writing or via conference call).
4. Appendices representing additional pertinent information in support of the narrative presentation such as pictures, newspaper articles, newsletters, letters from the public, test results, etc.

Note: The nomination package may be in black and white or color and it is preferred to be either stapled together or in a single clear report cover with “Grip Strip” binding. Ring binders, notebooks, spiral binders, or other similar binders are specifically disallowed. The nomination package may also be submitted via e-mail to:

gasched@wsdot.wa.gov or takd@wsdot.wa.gov.

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Nomination Form

Form may also be accessed at the WSDOT Construction Office Webpage: www.wsdot.wa.gov/business/construction/

“Partnership for Excellence in Contract Administration” Award

Project Name: ____________________________
Contractor Name: __________________________
Project Engineer: ___________________________
Date Project Accepted: _______________________

Category of Award (please circle one category)

Eastern Washington
- Project Less than $3,000,000
- Project $3,000,000 to $10,000,000
- Projects Greater than $10,000,000

Western Washington
- Project Less than $3,000,000
- Project $3,000,000 to $10,000,000
- Projects Greater than $10,000,000

Statewide
- Special mention City/County or Other Project Administered by the WSDOT/Contractor Team

Brief Overview of Nominated Project

Description of Team’s accomplishments that warrant this nomination (please attach Overview and Narrative)

Appendices (please attach Appendices, 13 reproducible items Maximum)

_______________________________________________
WSDOT Applicant Team Signature

_______________________________________________
Contractor Applicant Team Signature

Completed nomination package must be received on or before October 30, 2015

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Partnership for Excellence in Contract Administration

Award Nomination

"Recognize and encourage extraordinary achievement by the Contractor/WSDOT partnership responsible for delivering transportation projects in a timely, professional, and responsive manner while also considering the needs of others who are affected by the project."

Key Elements

Key elements of effectiveness include a partnered atmosphere with empowered project team members who are able to recognize and overcome obstacles, initiate effective public involvement, maintain effective and open communication between all stakeholders, and streamline project administration where appropriate.

Eligibility

To be eligible for an award, the team’s accomplishments must be nominated for a project that has been “Accepted” by WSDOT in accordance with 1-05.12 of the Standard Specifications on or before October 15, 2015. In addition, those projects which have been granted Physical Completion by this date or have been granted Substantial Completion with only Plant Establishment work remaining, may be nominated provided both the Contractor and WSDOT team leaders state in the nomination package that there are no outstanding unresolved issues.

Determination of Western Washington/Eastern Washington will be based upon the Region boundaries of the Region in which the physical work took place.

Projects completed before October 15, 2014, may be submitted as soon as they meet the eligibility requirements shown above. The WSDOT Construction Office will keep them on file until the time of final judging.

Evaluation Criteria

The following are the six (6) categories for the Partnership for Excellence in Contract Administration awards. Each category will be weighted 100 points each for a total of 600 points possible.

Customer-Focused Administration
- Effectively mitigates impacts to the public, adjacent businesses, and residents.
- Employs and effective public involvement program.
- Effectively communicates the project and its impacts with stakeholders and customers.

Innovative Problem Solving
- Establishes effective means for community recognition of the project, the difficulties the project faces, the team’s efforts and successes in overcoming challenges.
- Effective use of subcontractors and/or resource support groups.

Overcoming Extraordinary Challenge
- Emergency contracting.
- Special or unique features that were encountered.
- Use of unique construction methods.
- The team’s ability to overcome adversity.
- Something extraordinarily different about this project than work on an adjacent project or previous efforts.
- A uniqueness of the project itself or some aspect of implementing or delivering the project.

Effective Contract Administration
- Establishment of effective change orders.
- Materials Documentation requirements that are provided early.
- Materials Documentation that is received (timely, with the product) prior to installation.
- The Region’s ability to manage and certify materials used in a timely manner.
- Timeliness of the project’s materials and other required contract paperwork.
- Shop drawings and other submittals are provided early and are complete.
- Ability to close project in a timely manner, all Affidavits of Wages Paid are submitted.
- Open and frank Contractor PE evaluations indicating good performance.
- Effective assistance provided to each other in support of these goals.

Timely Completion of Project
- All aspects of the work are completed in a timely manner from, paperwork to project completion.
- Effective use of project schedule.
- Environmental issues are effectively addressed.
- Compliance with labor requirements by both the Prime Contractor and subcontractors.
- The progress of work is enhanced in some manner.
- Effective or innovative management of traffic in an effort to reduce impacts and expedite project completion.

Safety
- Employs effective worker safety.
- Employs effective protection of the public’s safety.
- Effectively uses the various safety tools and devices available.
- Effective measurement and responsiveness to accidents occurring on the project, both internal project personnel and external accidents involving the public.

Selection Process

Nomination applications for the awards outlined in this announcement must address the specific criteria identified by each category above. All nominations must be received on or before October 30, 2015.

Awards to be Presented

A panel of impartial judges will review all nominations submitted for a possible award, for the category submitted. However, at the panel’s discretion, and upon review of the nominations submitted, a decision may also be reached to forego an award altogether for a particular category. The eight (8) categories for a possible award announcement are:

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1 Award – Statewide
- 1 Award – Special Mention City/County or Other Project Administered by WSDOT/Contractor Team
Nomination Form

“Partnership for Excellence in Contract Administration”
Award

Contract Number: ______________________________________________________

Project Name: __________________________________________________________

Contractor Name: _________________________________________________________

Project Engineer: __________________________________________________________

Date Project Accepted: _____________________________________________________

Category of Award (please underline one category):

Eastern Washington

- Projects Less than $3,000,000
- Projects $3,000,000-$10,000,000
- Projects Greater than $10,000,000

Western Washington

- Projects Less than $3,000,000
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Statewide

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Brief Overview of Nominated Project

Description of Team’s Accomplishment That Warrants This Nomination

1. Customer Focused Administration:

2. Innovative Problem Solving:

3. Overcoming Extraordinary Challenge:

4. Effective Contract Administration:

5. Timely Completion of Project:

6. Safety:

Appendices
(Please attach appendices, 13 Reproducible Items Maximum)
Completed nomination form, overview, narrative, and any other appendices must be received on or before October 31, 2013.

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