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Contractors honored for outstanding work

Several private contractors are receiving accolades from WisDOT for their role in building high-quality transportation projects in Wisconsin last year. The firms were honored Jan. 21st at the annual Contractor/Engineer Conference in Middleton. Categories, winning contractors and projects include:

- **Grading:** RJS and CJS, a Joint Venture, of Superior, for its work on an \$11.2 million urban reconstruction project along US 2 in Ashland.
- **Asphalt paving:** Northeast Asphalt, Inc. of Greenville for work on a \$4.1 million project along US 51 in Oneida County. The 12.2-mile project involved pavement reconstruction and the addition of passing lanes.
- **Concrete paving:** Zignego Company, Inc. of Waukesha, for a \$5.5 million project along a 1.6-mile segment of WIS 32 in Ozaukee County.
- **Small structures:** Lunda Construction Co., Inc. of Black River Falls for work on the US 151/County D Interchange to WIS 175 in Fond du Lac County.
- **Large structures** (two awards): Marquette Constructors (a consortium of Lunda Construction of Black River Falls, Edward Kraemer and Sons of Plain, and Zenith Tech of Waukesha) for reconstruction of Milwaukee's Marquette Interchange; and Lunda Construction Co. of Black River Falls for work on the \$30 million Maple-Oregon Street Bridge in Sturgeon Bay.
- **Airport construction:** The Outstanding General Aviation Airport Construction Award went to Monarch Paving Co. of Eau Claire for a \$1.8 million project to extend the runway and add a taxiway at the New Richmond Municipal Airport; the Outstanding Commercial Service Airport Construction Award went to Trierweiler Construction and Supply Co. of Marshfield for a \$2.6 million runway safety improvement project at the La Crosse Municipal Airport.

Federal grants support rural transit

Governor Jim Doyle has approved 11 grants totaling over \$2.4 million for projects that will help non-urbanized areas develop or expand public transportation. Wisconsin is the only state in the nation to receive the federal funding from the Supplemental Transportation Rural Assistance or STRAP program. Eligible applicants include local governments, transit and regional planning commissions and tribal governments. The latest awards represent the third of four funding cycles – the fourth grant cycle will be announced this coming spring. More information including a list of projects can be found at: www.dot.wisconsin.gov/opencms/export/nr/modules/news/news_1110.html_786229440.html.

Upcoming events

Public meetings on *Connections 2030* plan: Feb. 3, Kenosha; Feb. 11, Superior; Feb. 12, Eau Claire. www.dot.wisconsin.gov/projects/state/2030-draft-meetings.htm
May 21, 2009, WisDOT Transpo Expo, www.dot.state.wi.us/news/events/expo.htm

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