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Monona Drive Reconstruction Project in Monona, Wisconsin Wins National Award for Excellence in Concrete Pavements

Madison, WI. (December 14, 2011) – The American Concrete Pavement Association (ACPA) has named recipients of its 22nd annual “Excellence in Concrete Pavement” awards, which recognize quality concrete pavements constructed in the United States and Canada.

The awards were presented at the closing banquet ceremony as part of ACPA’s 48th Annual Meeting in Indian Wells, California.

The awards program encourages high-quality workmanship in every concrete pavement project and serves as a forum for sharing information about highly successful projects. Projects are evaluated and voted on by judges from across the country and represent various stakeholder groups in the transportation-construction community. The program recognizes contractors, engineers, and project owners who completed outstanding projects.

ACPA presents awards in both gold and silver levels. Judging is based on a point system, with independent judges awarding points for quality construction, addressing unique and unusual challenges, innovation, traffic management, and other criteria.

The awards fall into 14 categories applicable to construction and preservation of highways, roadways, airports, and industrial pavement facilities.

The Gold Winner for the Municipal Streets and Intersections (>30,000 SY) Category was the reconstruction of Monona Drive in Monona, Wisconsin, constructed in 2010. Honored for their excellent work on this project were (contractor) Trierweiler Construction Company of Marshfield, Wisconsin; (owner) City of Monona, Wisconsin; (consulting engineer) Strand Associates of Madison, Wisconsin; and (sponsor) Wisconsin Department of Transportation South West Region of Madison, Wisconsin.

“It was very evident from the beginning of the construction of the Monona Drive project that it was going to be a special one. The businesses, City of Monona, the Department and the contractors were all so well prepared for the project”, said Kevin McMullen, President of the Wisconsin Concrete Pavement Association. “The quality of engineering and construction of this project was excellent. Everyone involved in the project deserves credit for building the best city street in the nation. I was honored to celebrate with Trierweiler Construction and Strand Associates at the award ceremony and very honored to accept the award on behalf of City of Monona and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation. And, I look forward to honoring them as soon as possible in Wisconsin”, he further added.

Municipal Streets & Intersections (>30,000 SY) — Gold

- Project:** Monona Drive, Monona, Wis.
- Contractor:** Trierweiler Construction Company
- Owner:** City of Monona
- Engineer:** Strand Associates, Inc.

Monona Drive (County BB) carries up to 32,000 vehicles per day and is the city’s main business roadway. Constructed in 1967 as a four-lane undivided concrete roadway, this 1-mile section had many issues, including a crash rate three times the state average;

deteriorating pavement with severe spalling and joint failure; no bike accommodations; and incomplete pedestrian accommodation.

The Cities of Monona and Madison, Dane County, area business owners, residents, and consultant, and the contractor worked together to create a functional, durable, and attractive concrete roadway. The project called for 35,000 square yards of concrete pavement with bike lanes; 1,000 square yards of colored and textured concrete for crosswalks, median treatments, and truck aprons; a raised median that incorporated both stamped colored concrete and landscaping; 25,000 lineal feet of curb and gutter; and 60,000 square feet of sidewalk.

Another hallmark of the project was the reduction in the number of driveways by almost 50 percent, a key factor in the goal to reduce accidents. Aesthetics were improved through landscape easements, landscaped terraces, decorative lighting, stone walls, street furniture, and more than 3,400 plantings.

About the ACPA and WCPA

The ACPA is the national trade association for the concrete pavement industry. The Wisconsin Concrete Pavement Association (WCPA) is ACPA's local affiliated organization. ACPA and WCPA represent members in marketing/promotion, government affairs, and research/technical support associated with concrete pavements used for highways, airports, streets, and roads.

ACPA's and WCPA's members include paving contractors, cement companies, equipment manufacturers, material and service suppliers, ready-mixed concrete producers, allied associations/organizations, bonding and insurance companies, consulting firms, and other allied organizations and individuals.

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