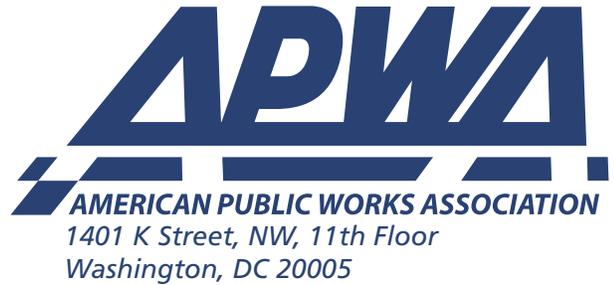


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Dallas High Five Interchange honored as Public Works Project of the Year

Kansas City, Mo.—The Dallas High Five Interchange was recently named a Public Works Project of the Year by the American Public Works Association (APWA). The Texas Department of Transportation, managing agency, along with primary contractor Zachry Construction Corporation and primary consultant HNTB Corporation will be presented with the award during APWA’s International Public Works Congress and Exposition held in September in Kansas City, Mo.

APWA Projects of the Year awards are presented annually to promote management and administration excellence of public works projects by recognizing alliances between managing agencies, contractors, consultants and their cooperative achievements. This year APWA selected 19 projects in five categories: Disaster or Emergency Construction/Repair, Environment, Historical Restoration/Preservation, Structures and Transportation.

Awarded in the Transportation category, more than \$100 million range, the Dallas High Five Interchange is the first five-level interchange in Dallas’ history. As tall as a 12-story building, the massive concrete structure is relieving a bottleneck that has strangled city traffic for years. The Interchange consists of just under 60 lane miles of new roadway (comparable to the width of the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex), stretching 3.4 miles east and west and 2.4 miles north and south (equivalent to about 100 New York City blocks).

At the intersection of Interstate 635 (LBJ Freeway) and U.S. 75 (North Central Expressway), the interchange is designed to improve traffic flow, driving conditions and safety for more than 500,000 commuters each day. It was completed 13 months ahead of its original 60-month construction schedule and replaces an outdated three-level modified partial cloverleaf interchange built in the 1960s. Through four years of construction, the project required more than 2.2 million cubic yards of earthwork, 350,000 cubic yards of concrete produced onsite, 300,000 square feet of retaining walls and 74,000 linear feet of drainage pipe. The effort also included construction of 37 permanent bridges and six temporary bridges, encompassing 2.3 million square feet of bridge deck.

For more information or to obtain a press pass for attendance at the awards ceremony during APWA’s International Congress and Exposition in Kansas City, Mo., contact Becky Wickstrom, bwickstrom@apwa.net or (202) 218-6736.

About APWA

The American Public Works Association (www.apwa.net) is a not-for-profit, international organization of more than 27,000 members involved in the field of public works. Originally chartered in 1937, APWA serves its members by promoting professional excellence and public awareness through education, advocacy and the exchange of knowledge. With 67 chapters throughout North America, APWA is headquartered in Kansas City, Missouri, and has an office in Washington, D.C.

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