



**EXCELLENCE IN  
CONSTRUCTION PARTNERING**  
Fifth Annual Awards



2024 Nomination Packet

# Award Overview

## Overview & Eligibility

As part of our fifth annual Excellence in Construction Partnering Awards, the Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) and the Associated General Contractors (AGC) of Idaho value project partnering to help complete transportation projects across Idaho in a timely, professional, and responsive manner.

Do you have a project in mind that stands out from the rest? If so we are asking you to nominate that project and team for the 2024 ITD/AGC Excellence in Construction Partnering Awards.

**Both construction contracts underway today and those built within the last 18 months are eligible, including statewide highway and local road projects (multi-year projects can apply yearly).**

Together we want to recognize team solutions, share lessons learned, and highlight best practices for infrastructure projects of all types and sizes per the criteria below.

## What occurs with good construction partnering?

Good construction partnering is defined as...

- Efficient resolution of issues and project closeout
- Enhanced Work Zone Safety by the project team and public awareness
- Higher levels of trust and personal satisfaction
- Increased collaboration between all stakeholders
- Delivering a quality project as a team

## What is the criteria for nominations?

A project team of ITD and contractor employees that stand out for their ability to...

- Resolve complex issues
- Improve communication on the project with all audiences
- Utilize innovative solutions
- Incorporate team building activities
- Honor stakeholders
- Achieve a common goal

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# Application Package Requirements

## A valid application package must include:

1. A single, complete nomination form (page 4) reviewed and signed by both the Contractor and the District Engineer (electronic signatures will be accepted).
2. Three to five project photos displaying different views of the project.

*Optional: This year we are also accepting 3-5 minute video submissions. If you would like to submit a video, please address all nomination form questions in your video and submit along with photos. Videos and large photos can be uploaded to this shared [OneDrive Folder](#).*

**Please submit your signed nomination form and project photos via email to [ITDCommunication@itd.idaho.gov](mailto:ITDCommunication@itd.idaho.gov) no later than 7:00 PM MDT on October 21, 2024.**

**In the subject line, please include contract number and project name.**

# Judging Evaluation Criteria

## Projects will be judged using the following evaluation criteria:

### Safety

- Enhanced Work Zone Safety by the project team and public awareness
- Employed effective protection of the public's safety
- Effectively used the various safety tools and devices available
- Effectively measured and responded to accidents occurring on the project, both internally and externally

### Customer-Focused Results

- Effectively mitigated impacts to the traveling public, general public, adjacent businesses, and residents
- Effectively communicated the project and its impacts with stakeholders and customers
- Established effective means for community recognition of the project, the difficulties the project faced, the team's efforts, and successes in overcoming challenges

### Innovative Problem Solving

- Extraordinary obstacles overcome during the project
- Extraordinary coordination and/or cooperation with other adjacent work
- Disputes that were resolved timely to the benefit of all parties and customers
- A team that focused on outcomes rather than processes and utilized an effective disputes resolution process

### Overcoming Extraordinary Challenges

- Emergency contracting
- Complex, unique, or unexpected features that were encountered
- Use of unique construction methods
- The team's ability to overcome adversity
- A uniqueness of the project itself or some aspect of implementing or delivering the project

### Effective Contract Administration

- Effectively administered change orders
- Materials documentation tracked, up-to-date, and completed
- Compliance with all labor requirements (Wages, DBE, MSVWBE, Apprentice)
- Open and frank contractor/PE communication/evaluation
- Effectively provided assistance to each other in support of these goals

### Timely Completion of Project

- All aspects of the work completed in a timely manner
- Timely use of project schedule
- Environmental issues effectively addressed
- The progress of work was enhanced in some manner
- Innovative management of traffic in an effort to reduce impacts and expedite project completion

### Judging Process

Applications will be reviewed by a panel of judges consisting of ITD/AGC personnel and local partners. The panel will review applications by October 31, 2024. Nominations have the potential of earning gold, silver, bronze or honorable mention Partnering Recognition Awards.

**Winners will be announced in early November.**



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**- 2024 Nomination Form -**

Contract Number/Route/Milepost:	Construction Engineer:
Project Name:	Date Project Started:
Contractor Name:	Date Project Completed if applicable:
Email:	Phone #:

**1. Did the Contractor/ITD team participate in a Partnership Workshop or informal partnering?**

Y  N

**2. Did the Contractor/ITD team resolve a complex issue or overcome an extraordinary challenge using the principles of good construction partnering found in the 2024 ITD Construction Partnering Guide?**

Y  N

**3. Category of Award (select one):**

***State Highway Projects (select size):***

- Projects less than \$5 million
- Projects \$5 million - \$10 million
- Projects greater than \$10 million

***Local Road Projects (select size):***

- Projects less than \$3 million
- Projects greater than \$3 million

**4. Application:**

Please provide an overview of the project explaining scope of work, cost, and schedule. Please also provide examples of how the project achieved each of the following six criteria:

- (1) Safety First
- (2) Customer-Focused Results
- (3) Innovative Problem Solving
- (4) Overcoming Extraordinary Challenges
- (5) Effective Contract Administration
- (6) Timely Completion of Project

***Project Overview (5,000 characters or less):***

***Safety First (1,000 characters or less):***

***Customer-Focused Results (1,000 characters or less):***

***Innovative Problem Solving (1,000 characters or less):***

***Overcoming Extraordinary Challenges (1,000 characters or less):***



***Effective Contract Administration (1,000 characters or less):***

***Timely Completion of Project (1,000 characters or less):***

***How did you use partnering to solve problems (5,000 characters or less):***

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ITD Applicant or Local Agency Contact Name

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ITD or Local Agency Applicant Signature

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Contractor Applicant Signature

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**For questions regarding the awards  
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