

KCA/KDOT PARTNERING AWARD WINNERS FOR 2011

District 1:

< \$500,000

Kansas Heavy Construction, LLC and the **Horton KDOT Construction Office**
(\$426,745) Project # 3U2294-01

- Sanitary sewer, grading & surfacing project located in the city of Atchison, KS.
- Floods of 2011 pushed the project back with some damage to the existing sewers.
- Beginning with complete re-phasing of the project, an intense effort to keep the business owners involved, and excellent communication through weekly progress meetings resulted in a smooth and well delivered project.

\$500,000 to \$3,000,000

Herzog Contracting Corp. and the **Horton KDOT Construction Office**
(\$649,326) Project # U073 106 KA1925-01

- Mill & HMA Overlay on US 73 in Leavenworth County.
- This project was done as the floodwaters rose. The construction team worked together closely to work around impending road closures with minimal impact to the traveling public.
- Herzog & KDOT had tremendous trust built up from past projects which made this project run very smoothly. Herzog came in knowing the specs and took ownership in exceeding them, plus cleaning up damage & potholes on any connecting road (beyond the scope of the contract) which made for a "Picture Perfect" close to this project.

Over \$3,000,000

Miles Excavating, Inc. and the **Bonner Springs KDOT Construction Office**
(\$21,700,000) Project # 7-46 K7925-02

- Bridges, grading and surfacing on K-7 in Johnson County, KS.
- The project engineer and contractor's superintendent communicated daily and held weekly progress meetings to address access issues, re-phasing adjustments & a very tight timeframe.
- Mutual trust was developed through the life of the project and that honest and consistent communication created many win-win solutions.

District 2:

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< \$500,000

Klaver Construction Co. and the Marion KDOT Construction Office

(\$78,745) Project # 177-31 KA 2599-01

- Emergency Bridge repair in Geary County.
- This project exemplified trust with everyone involved. Materials were delivered quickly because of Klaver's relationship with the supplier and communication between KDOT, Klaver and the subs were excellent.
- Innovation, trust and communication between KDOT, Klaver, Cillison & Sons, Wildcat Concrete, and Concrete Supply of Topeka made this an award winning project.

Over \$3,000,000

Koss Construction Company and the Marion KDOT Construction Office

(\$64,195,884) Project # 61-59 K 8253-01

- Reconstruction and alignment of K-61 in Reno County.
- There were 15 subcontractors, including 2 different grading contractors .
- The experience of KDOT, Koss & the subs plus the application of basic partnering principles created tremendous collaboration, resulting in 2 crossovers being eliminated, significant weather obstacles minimized, and completion on time with no claims.

District 3:

\$500,000 to \$3,000,000

King Construction Co., Inc. and the Hays KDOT Construction Office

(\$675,987) Project # 70-26 KA 1594-01

- I-70 bridge repair in Ellis County
- This project could have been brought to a halt with the discovery of the unworkability of the expansion joints. Collaboration of King Construction's staff, KDOT Construction people and KDOT's bridge design staff quickly worked through options to come up with a plan that solved the problem in a timely manner.
- Long standing trust and respect between King Construction and the Hays Construction office is what kept this project from experiencing huge cost overruns and time delays.

District 4:

< \$500,000

Killough Construction and the Iola KDOT Construction Office

(\$292,298) Project # 1 U 2284-01

- Grading and Surfacing in the City of Humboldt in Allen County.
- Preconstruction meetings brought light two distinct problems in this project for the City of Humboldt. All parties met and came up with workable solutions that met the criterion of on-time and on-budget.
- A tone for partnering was set early by the construction team and those partnering goals were met through hard work resulting in a quality project for the city.

• **District 4: (Continued)**

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\$500,000 to \$3,000,000

LaForge & Budd Const. and the Pittsburg KDOT Construction Office

(\$1,389,159) Project # 67 KA 0840-01

- Grading and Surfacing of Elk Road in Neosho County
- Everyone involved with this project embraced and practiced the spirit of Partnering. The Prime introduced several innovations which saved time and reduced cost.
- The Prime Contractor said “This was the best urban road reconstruction project that we have had the privilege to work with KDOT on in the last 30 years.” KDOT’s Construction Engineer said, “This project was a textbook example of how partnering delivered a major improvement for the taxpayers of Neosho County ahead of schedule... and with no major impacts.”

Over \$3,000,000

Sherwood Construction and the Independence KDOT Construction Office

(\$41,495,100) Project # 169-63 K 8241-01

- US 169 East of Coffeerville in Montgomery County
- It was a very complicated project where respect, communication and professional negotiation kept it on track. Communication with utilities, business interests, their employees, and the city of Coffeerville were critical to the project’s success.
- While there was some disagreement on a few issues, everyone involved kept partnering at the forefront and conflict resolution professional and constructive.

District 5:

< \$500,000

Wildcat Construction Co., Inc. and the Wichita West KDOT Construction Office

(\$292,298) Project # U 054-087-01 KA 2630-01

- Kellogg Avenue Emergency Bridge Repair in Sedgwick County.
- Critically important was the partnering approach to business that had already been established between KDOT and Wildcat Construction in Wichita. Trust and communication made this project work well in the limited timeframe needed to open the bridge back up to traffic.
- Because of this trust and respect, the project agreement was actually fully executed only days before the project was completed.

\$500,000 to \$3,000,000

Smoky Hill, LLC. and the Pratt KDOT Construction office

(\$1,098,977) Project # 281-76 KA 0843-01/281-76 U 2189-01

- This project was tied together including 5 blocks of grading, concrete pavement, and pavement markings on the main street of Pratt, KS.
- Smoky Hill re-organized the construction plan with a high emphasis on public safety. Weekly progress meetings were held and included local business and the city of Pratt.
- The project was completed 30 days early and within budget. The City Manager of Pratt wrote in a letter, “Having been involved with municipal government projects for over 30 years, the 2011 Pratt main street project was the most successful project I have ever been involved with.”

District 5: (Continued)

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Over \$3,000,000

Dondlinger & Sons Const. and the **Wichita West KDOT Construction office**

(\$16,263,457) Project # 135-087 KA 1006-02

- Wichita 47th street South & I-135/KTA Interchange including grading, surfacing and bridges in Sedgwick County
- This complicated and challenging project was a study of successful communication and collaboration. The project superintendent was on top of what was needed and worked together very well with all involved to insure it happened. He anticipated unforeseen events/issues by providing back up plans whenever something came up.
- The bridge foreman made a point of thanking all involved for one of the best projects he was privileged to be a part of.

District 6:

\$500,000 to \$3,000,000

J & R Sand Co. and the **Syracuse KDOT Construction office**

(\$1,300,000) Project # 51-106 KA 2039-01

- Mill and overlay in Stevens and Seward Counties.
- This project had immediate unforeseen difficulties when the milling cut down to unstable old cold recycle material. J&R Sand and KDOT tried several solutions before coming up with a successful one.
- Outstanding communication, collaboration, and respect led this project to a successful outcome for everyone involved -with the KDOT project manager to say, "Our office is looking forward to working with J&R Sand in the future. What a great contractor and crew to work with."

Over \$3,000,000

Smoky Hill, LLC. and the **Garden City KDOT Construction office**

(\$3,707,052) Project # K 156-28 K 9877-01

- K-156, Mary St. & Jennie Barker Road intersection grading and surfacing in Finney County
- Partnering began long before the project actually started with utility issues and more than 80 plan revisions.
- Exceptional communication and collaboration to change sequences and traffic control (to name a few issues) resulted in a quality project being completed on time despite significant utility delays.