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*of Florida*

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### **ACEC-FL's Engineering Excellence Award Winners for 2021 Announced**

The American Council of Engineering Companies of Florida (ACEC-FL)'s Engineering Excellence Awards (EEA) acknowledges Florida engineering firms for their innovative applications and elaborate projects. This year, five grand and six honor awards will be presented at the 2021 FES/ACEC-FL Annual Conference Banquet held August 6, 2021 at The Breakers Palm Beach. One Grand Conceptor award winner will be chosen from the grand awards as the overall best engineering project from the state of Florida and the recipient will be announced during the banquet.

All grand award winners may also participate nationally in the 2021 American Council of Engineering Companies' (ACEC) Engineering Excellence Award competition known as "the Academy Awards of the engineering industry."

The ACEC-FL Public Relations Committee selected an illustrious board of judges representing government, transportation, education, environmental/water resources, geotechnical, public works, and real estate/land development. The judges included: JC Arteaga, AIA, NCARB, CBO, CGC, TBI, BCO, LEED AP BD+C, DBIA, *HNTB Corporation*; Cassandra Borchers, AICP, *Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority*; Curtis Burkett, PE LEED AP, *City of Daytona Beach*; Dameion Donaldson, PE, *Electrical Design Associates, Inc.*; Will Hawthorne, PE, *Central Expressway Authority*; and Terry Puckett, PE, *Florida Department of Transportation Districts I and VII*.

The judges rated projects and studies based on uniqueness and innovative applications; future value to the engineering profession; perception by the public; social, economic, and sustainable development considerations; complexity; and successful fulfillment of client/owners' needs, including schedule and budget. A special thank you to ACEC-FL Public Relations Chair Jennifer Nix-McGerald, CPSM of WGI, Inc. for facilitating this competition.

The winners in alphabetical order are:

#### **GRAND firm/projects**

CHW Professional Consultants  
*City of Gainesville CRA South Main Street Improvement (Destination South Main)*  
Client: City of Gainesville/CRA  
Category H: Transportation

DRMP  
*SR 528 (Beachline) Widening*  
Client: Florida's Turnpike Enterprise  
Category H: Transportation



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EAC Consulting, Inc.

*MDX - SR 836 Operational, Capacity and Interchange Improvements*

Client: Miami Dade Expressway Authority

Category I: Special Projects

McKim & Creed, Inc.

*Tampa Bay Next I-275 Corridor*

Client: Florida Department of Transportation, District 7

Category D: Surveying/Mapping Technology

Pond | Michael Baker International JV

*Jacksonville Regional Transportation Center at LaVilla*

Client: Jacksonville Transportation Authority

Category H: Transportation

## **HONOR**

AVCON, Inc.

*Casselberry City Center Mixed Use Development*

Client: City of Casselberry

Category I: Special Projects

DRMP

*Alachua County Public Schools Mobile Wi-Fi Distribution*

Client: Alachua County Public Schools

Category D: Surveying/Mapping Technology

Hanson Professional Services, Inc.

*SR 26/West Newberry Road Corridor PD&E Study*

Client: Florida Department of Transportation, District 2

Category A: Studies, Research and Consulting Engineering

HNTB

*Osceola Parkway Interchange*

Client: Reedy Creek Improvement District

Category H: Transportation

Kimley-Horn

*Rehabilitation of North Airfield at FLL*

Client: Broward County Aviation Department

Category H: Transportation

SCS Engineers

*Countyline Corporate Park*

Client: Florida East Coast Industries

Category E: Environmental



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