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North Red Deer Regional Wastewater System receives 2019 APWA Public Works Project of the Year Award

Lacombe, Alberta (October 15, 2019) – The North Red Deer Regional Wastewater Services Commission (NRDRWWSC) is pleased to announce that the North Red Deer Regional Wastewater System received the American Public Works Association (APWA) Alberta Chapter’s Project of the Year Award, for Projects over \$10 Million, at the 2019 APWA Excellence in Public Works Conference and Tradeshow, held in Red Deer from October 7- 9, 2019.

The APWA Public Works Project of the Year Award was established to promote excellence in the management and administration of public works projects by recognizing the alliance between the managing agency, the consultant/architect/ engineer, and the contractor who, working together, complete public works projects.

Designed by Stantec, the North Red Deer Regional Wastewater System promises a cleaner future for communities in central Alberta. Completed on time and on budget, the project incorporates innovative approaches and leading-edge technologies to provide a modern wastewater solution for 25,000 residents living in central Alberta, and protect the sensitive watershed that supplies drinking water for 150,000 Albertans.

Commissioned in April 2018, the transmission system pumps wastewater to the state-of-the-art regional treatment plant in Red Deer. The project consists of a 28 kilometre pipeline, one odour management facility and two major lift stations.

The City of Red Deer Wastewater Treatment Plant also received extensive upgrades in order to accept wastewater from the North Red Deer Regional Wastewater System. The upgrades significantly increased the capacity of the plant, as it now services a population of over 150,000 people.

Quotes:

“The APWA Alberta Chapter was pleased to present the project of the year award to the North Red Deer Regional Wastewater Services Commission. It is always great to see commissions like this work collaboratively together to tackle a big project like this. Congratulations!”

- Peter McDowell, Past President, American Public Works Association Alberta Chapter

“I was pleased to accept this award on behalf of the North Red Deer Regional Wastewater Services Commission. Completed on time and on budget, the wastewater transmission system is a great, forward-thinking project that ensures our members have access to safe, reliable and effective waste water treatment services for the foreseeable future.”

- Ken Wigmore, NRDRWWSC Chair

“I would like to thank the Alberta Public Works Association for recognizing this project’s success. Our communities are stronger when we work together to solve regional issues and this is a perfect example of how partnering builds success.”

- *Mayor Richard Poole, Town of Blackfalds, NRDRWWSC Vice Chair*

“The City of Lacombe, along with our partner municipalities, are thrilled to be recognized once again for this progressive project. The wastewater transmission system provides for much-needed long-term sustainability in addressing the critical wastewater needs in our region, and supports development in our fast-growing communities.”

- *Mayor Grant Creasey, City of Lacombe, NRDRWWSC Director*

“Lacombe is fortunate to work with great contractors, consultants, and regional partners. It’s exciting to be recognized as leaders in public works, because it shows we are working hard to make sure taxpayers are getting value for their money.”

- *Matthew Goudy, Chief Administrative Officer, NRDRWWSC*

“The North Red Deer Regional Wastewater system highlights the importance of strong relationships between municipal neighbours, and shows what can be accomplished when all levels of government work together. This line makes life better for residents and businesses in central Alberta, and we are honoured for our role on this APWA Project of the Year.”

- *Reeve Paula Law, Lacombe County*

“We are honoured to be recognized as a part of this community partnership project that has a significant impact on Red Deer and region. This project is a strong example of how financial and environmental sustainability can be achieved through intentional partnership.”

- *Mayor Tara Veer, City of Red Deer*

“The north leg of the central Alberta Regional Wastewater System is a project that has made a significant impact on the communities it serves, with enhanced wastewater treatment and improved water quality. Stantec is proud to have worked alongside our partners and the local municipalities that have championed this celebrated project. While the recognition from our peers is something we are all proud of – at the end of the day, the safe, reliable system that will serve residents for the next 25 years is an achievement we truly cherish.”

- *Todd Simenson, Vice President, Regional Leader (Alberta North & Territories), Stantec*

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