



Granite Team Honored with 2012 Alliant Build America Award by Associated General Contractors of America

Granite also recognized with Marvin M. Black Excellence in Partnering awards

WATSONVILLE, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Granite Construction Incorporated (NYSE: GVA) announced today that a Granite-led joint venture project, the Intercounty Connector (ICC), was awarded the 2012 Alliant Build America Award by the Associated General Contractors of America (AGC) at their Annual Convention in Honolulu, Hawaii. The award recognizes the nation's most impressive construction projects of 2011.

"Granite is honored to receive this prestigious award by the AGC," said Michael Donnino, *senior vice president and group manager for Granite Construction Incorporated*. "The strong relationships developed with the owner, partners and local community helped us create common project goals and drive the projects' success."

The joint venture team, comprised of Granite, G.A. & F.C. Wagman, Inc. and Corman Construction, was one of 16 teams recognized with the 2012 Alliant Build America Award. The Granite-led team was noted for its ability to work closely with partners, teams and owners by communicating effectively, leading by example and for implementing innovative solutions.

Contract A of the ICC Project in Montgomery County, Maryland consisted of 7.2 miles of controlled access tri-lane divided highway, featuring 18 steel or precast girder bridges and a signature arch bridge over one of the most environmentally sensitive areas in the D.C. Metro Region. The joint venture team brought on an environmental team to monitor water quality, reforestation, air quality, construction noise and spill prevention. Throughout the project, the team held more than 100 community meetings and public outreach hearings to provide updates and special information for the approximately 10,000 residents within 500 feet aligning the corridor.

"The foundation of any successful project is teamwork," said Kristine Young, AGC president. "When you have a group of dedicated, skilled people working together to achieve the same goal, anything is possible."

In addition, two Granite projects, the Interstate 880/State Route 92 Interchange Reconstruction Project, in Hayward, California, a joint venture with Flatiron, and the State Route 202L, Interstate 10 High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) Lanes Design Build project in Chandler, Arizona, a joint venture with Pulice Construction, each received the prestigious Marvin M. Black Excellence in Partnering Special Recognition Award. These project teams were noted for their ability to work exceptionally well with partners and owners to deliver innovative solutions to accomplish positive results.

About Granite

Granite is one of the nation's leading infrastructure contractors and is member of the S&P 400 Midcap Index, the FTSE KLD 400 Social Index and the Russell 2000 Index. Through its wholly owned subsidiary, Granite is one of the nation's largest diversified heavy civil contractors and construction materials producers serving public- and private-sector clients nationwide. In addition, Granite has one of the oldest and most robust ethics and compliance programs in the industry and has been the recipient of the Ethisphere Institute's World's Most Ethical Companies list for three years in a row. For more information please visit www.graniteconstruction.com.

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