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## ACEC Ohio Engineering Excellence Awards Announced Recognizing Top Engineering Projects across the State

**COLUMBUS, OHIO (March 14, 2017)** – The American Council of Engineering Companies of Ohio (ACEC Ohio) recently recognized 29 projects as part of their annual Engineering Excellence Awards Competition. The award program brought well-deserved public recognition to Ohio's engineering industry by spotlighting engineering projects that demonstrate a high degree of uniqueness, ingenuity and value.

"The talent and achievements the engineering community shares at this award ceremony is truly inspiring," stated Beth Easterday, President of ACEC Ohio. "They are building connections and enhancing communities every day."

The highest-rated project is recognized with the ACEC Ohio Grand Award. Other entries are recognized with Outstanding Achievement Awards and Honor Awards. The 2017 Grand Award winner was the Scioto Greenways Project, entered by Stantec. The Main Street Dam impounded 2.3 miles of the Scioto River in Columbus which caused the river to be a slow-moving, overly wide pool of sediment laden water. This project involved three components: removing the dam, restoring the Scioto River and creating 33 acres of new green space. The project cited a healthy riverfront will enable recreation and improve connectivity allowing the City of Columbus to thrive and ensure maximum economic, ecological and social benefits.

Companies are invited to enter their best projects, either construction designs or engineering reports and studies, in the state competition. Entries are evaluated by a panel of judges who rate each entry on the basis of its uniqueness and originality; technical value to the engineering profession; social and economic considerations; complexity; and how successfully the project met the needs, including time and budget constraints, of the client.

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