

WESTERN DREDGING ASSOCIATION

2023 Annual Safety Excellence Award
for a Dredging Company

Manson Construction Co.

Manson Construction Company is arguably the original safety champion of the WEDA family, beginning with its bold adoption of the Incident and Injury Free™ model in 2004. In Manson's mature safe work system "no injury is acceptable, and safety is not optional" is lived by all on the daily.

Steady gains along the journey led to the following historic safe work results in 2022:

- Manson posted zero recordable injuries for a 5-month continuous period
- Three regions with zero recordable injuries for the year
- Reduced overall injury severity
- 1.1 TRIR and 0.33 LTIR

Manson has been a good-faith partner, sharing numerous safety innovations and best practices with WEDA, including their version of the Significant Injury and Fatality (SIF) program, Communicate the Concern card, high-torque wrench, Jaws of Life tool and many others with our community.

WEDA presents this award to Manson Construction Co. with gratitude for their outstanding safety leadership contributions to the dredging industry.



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Sevenson Environmental Services Inc. Pledger Creek Remediation Project

Repeat WEDA Safety Excellence Award winner Sevenson Environmental has done it again with their Pledger Creek Remediation Project. They staffed the project with 25 on-site personnel and 15 pieces of heavy civil and marine equipment including excavators, dozers, push boats, scows, and 2 floating work platforms.

The project's location near and sharing roadways with an active manufacturing plant and Geotube® Dewatering operations presented continuously fluctuating high-hazard conditions. Dewatering gallery adaptations included ramps, a perimeter berm, site walks following new bag installations, and aluminum pick boards with handrails. Sevenson cited communication - early, often, and throughout the process - as a primary key to success.

Pledger Creek Remediation Project encompassed 66,304 total working hours with zero recordable injuries and zero negative impacts to the environment.

WEDA congratulates Sevenson Environmental Services Inc. and the Pledger Creek project team on their outstanding safety performance.



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Anchor QEA, LLC

Safety has been a core value at Anchor QEA since 1998, as demonstrated in their waterfront redevelopment, sediment remediation, and navigation dredging services. As they've grown, their robust health and safety processes continue to evolve with them, becoming fully embedded into their culture.

The company takes a proactive, positive approach to keeping employees safe. Their Playing It Safe and Stop Work Authority programs empower everyone to speak up and reinforce a culture of safety, and their Director of Health and Safety continues to drive the company's safety infrastructure forward.

Through these efforts, Anchor QEA has posted a TRIR at or under 0.26 for the past three years.

WEDA congratulates Anchor QEA, LLC on their outstanding safety performance.



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Port of Houston

As strategic leader for the Houston Ship Channel, the Port Houston Authority (PHA) is pivotal in the City's development of international trade.

In 2012, PHA launched an organizational strategy to establish the Port's first sustainable safety program. The most significant challenge was cultural awareness and behaviors within a federally identified critical infrastructure, excluded from OSHA standards.

Over several years, PHA successfully implemented incident analysis, risk assessments, and safety training to support the Port's SMS framework for document management and improvement, leading to positive KPI metrics.

At PHA, employees' safety mindset are the essential factor for strong showings in the Port's behavior-based safety audit system, safety committees, incident reporting, and periodic risk assessments.

WEDA congratulates the Port of Houston on their outstanding safety performance and dredging partnership.



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