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RE: **2026 ACEC Arkansas Engineering Excellence Awards**

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ACEC Arkansas is pleased to announce the winners of the 2026 Engineering Excellence Awards (EEAs), which recognizes Arkansas engineering projects that demonstrate a high degree of achievement, value, and ingenuity. Judged by a panel of industry professionals from around the state, projects were evaluated based on uniqueness, future value to the engineering profession, sustainable considerations, and successful fulfillment of the client's needs. The awards will be presented at the annual EEA celebration March 5 at the **Chenal Country Club in Little Rock, AR**. The Grand Conceptor Award and People's Choice Award will be announced the evening of the Gala.

### **Category Winners**

#### **A: Studies, Research, and Consulting Engineering Services**

##### **Project Winner:**

**Firm:** Garver LLC.

**Project:** ARDOT Project Dashboard

##### **Honor Awards:**

**Firm:** Olsson

**Project:** Springdale Water and Sewer Master Plan

**Firm:** Garver LLC.

**Project:** Ebbing ANG Base Stormwater Master Plan

**Firm:** Crist Engineers, Inc.

**Project:** Wastewater System Master Plan

**Firm:** McClelland Consulting Engineers

**Project:** Bryant Parks Master Plan

## **C: Structural Systems**

### **Project Winner:**

**Firm:** Martin/Martin, Inc.  
**Project:** Alice Walton School of Medicine

### **Honor Awards:**

**Firm:** Garver, LLC  
**Project:** Fourche Creek Scour Repair

## **E: Environmental**

### **Small Project Winner:**

**Firm:** Olsson  
**Project:** Northwest Arkansas Energy & Environment Innovation Plan

### **Large Project Winner:**

**Firm:** Halff  
**Project:** Gravel Ridge SID #213 – Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements

### **Honor Awards:**

**Firm:** Crafton Tull  
**Project:** HWY 70W Transfer Station Rebuild

## **F: Water and Wastewater**

### **Project Winner:**

**Firm:** Crist Engineers, Inc.  
**Project:** 4,000,000 Gallon Elevated Water Storage and Surge Tank

### **Honor Awards:**

**Firm:** Crist Engineers, Inc.  
**Project:** Crossett Sewer Improvements

**Firm:** Crist Engineers, Inc.  
**Project:** Arkadelphia Water and Sewer Relocations

**Firm:** Crist Engineers, Inc.  
**Project:** Wastewater Treatment Facility Headworks Improvements

## **G: Water Resources**

### **Project Winner:**

**Firm:** Michael Baker International  
**Project:** South Fork Saline River Bank Repair at Deerpark Road

### **Honor Awards:**

**Firm:** Pickering Firm, Inc.  
**Project:** Shirey Bay WMA Infrastructure Renovations

## **H: Transportation**

### **Project Winner:**

**Firm:** Burns & McDonnell Engineering Company, Inc.  
**Project:** 30 Crossing Design-Build

### **Honor Awards:**

**Firm:** Burns & McDonnell Engineering Company, Inc.  
**Project:** 8th Street Safety & Capacity Improvements

**Firm:** McClelland Consulting Engineers  
**Project:** Lake Catherine Marina Improvements

**Firm:** Halff  
**Project:** Faulkner Lake Road

**Firm:** Crafton Tull  
**Project:** Uptown Rogers Connectivity

**Firm:** McClelland Consulting Engineers  
**Project:** JP Wright Loop

**Firm:** CEI Engineering Associates, Inc.  
**Project:** S. Arkansas Street Gateway

**Firm:** Olsson, Inc.  
**Project:** Fayetteville Midtown Corridor

**I: Special Projects:**

**Small Project Winner:**

**Firm:** Michael Baker International  
**Project:** Saline County Airport Taxiway Safety Area Improvements

**Large Project Winner:**

**Firm:** Halff  
**Project:** FSM Runway 8-26 BAK-12/14 Aircraft Arresting System

**Honor Awards:**

**Firm:** Olsson, Inc.  
**Project:** City of Fayetteville Civic Plaza

**Firm:** McClelland Consulting Engineers, Inc.  
**Project:** Alice Walton School of Medicine

**Firm:** McClelland Consulting Engineers, Inc.  
**Project:** Opera in the Ozarks

## **L: Small Projects**

### **Small Project Winner:**

**Firm:** Crafton Tull

**Project:** Easterseals Academy Inclusive Playground

### **Honor Awards:**

**Firm:** McClelland Consulting Engineers, Inc

**Project:** Carol Ann Cross Park Playground Improvements

**Firm:** Garver, LLC

**Project:** Highway 167 Emergency Bypass

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