



Midwest Construction Magazine Awards Rausch Construction Company, Inc

Best of 2009

Midwest Construction's annual contest recognizes excellence in heavy construction and design in Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin, Missouri, Iowa, Ohio, Michigan, and Minnesota. The entries were sorted into categories and were judged on project management, quality, innovation, challenges overcome, safety, and impact to the community and the construction industry.

CDOT Wabash Avenue Underbridge Connection and Riverwalk Landscape/ Urban Design Project of the Year



This Chicago Department of Transportation project is the longest phase to date of the Chicago Riverwalk, extending from State Street Bridge, under Wabash Avenue Bridge, and towards Michigan Avenue. Work began with demolition of landscaping, sidewalks, sheet pile caps, granite pavers, and lighting. 35,000 sq. ft. of sheet pile wall, over 630 lin. ft., was driven to extend the usable Riverwalk an additional 17 ft. into the river. The area between the new sheet pile wall and the existing dock wall was backfilled with over 9,000 tons of granular fill. Construction of the sheet pile caps, structural slabs, and concrete

sidewalks followed the backfill operation. Extensive finishes such as granite and limestone benches, new metal handrails along the face of the river, site lighting, and landscaping complete the site as a popular pedestrian walkway, recreational area, and tourist destination. Rausch Construction Company, Inc. self-performed sheet piling, rebar installation, concrete work, demolition, and stone backfill, utilizing Rausch-owned marine and heavy civil equipment.



CDOT Jackson Drive Bridge Reconstruction Civil/ Public Works Division Award of Merit



The Jackson Drive Bridge Reconstruction Project rebuilt all of the bridge's structural elements. The project began with demolition of the existing structural elements and roadway pavement. New foundations, piers, abutments, bridge superstructure, roadway, and sidewalks were constructed. This project also included restoration of the bridges architectural features as well as installation of new precast balustrades, ornamental

lighting, and new stairs to the Metra platform below the bridge. Over 2000 cu. yds. of concrete, 190 tons of rebar, and 600,000 lbs of steel beams were used for the construction of this project.

