



FNF PROJECT MANAGER RECEIVES PARTNERING AWARD

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FNF Project Manager, Jake Bottcher, receives an ADOT Partnering Spirit Award

On Wednesday, January 22nd, the project team for the Meteor City TI OP held a Partnering Closeout workshop to share lessons learned for the first ever Geosynthetic Reinforced Soil-Integrated Bridge System (GSR-IBS) project in Arizona. In addition to project discussion and lessons learned, the team took time to celebrate Partnering Spirit Award recipients, which included FNF Project Manager, Jake Bottcher.



Left to Right: Tom Goodman (ADOT) Jon Lenzmeier (ADOT), Jake Bottcher (FNF)

Jake received this award for his dedication to the partnering principles FNF's Partnering Champion for the project.

With the use of the GRS-IBS innovative bridge technology being new to ADOT, extensive partnering was crucial to ensure that work was properly executed. GRS-IBS uses high-strength modular blocks, compacted soil, and geosynthetic reinforcement to quickly construct bridge abutments. A traditional approach would have required a 3 to 4-month closure of I-40; however, this team was able to remove the old bridges and construct the new ones having them ready for traffic in just 18 days. Congratulations to Jake and the rest of the project team.



Day 1
Both Bridges demolished in just 6 hours



Day 3
GRS-IBS abutments



Day 10
Box beams placed



Day 18
Bridges ready for traffic