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Crow Wing County Highway Engineering Team earns State Award for Paving Project

Crow Wing County Highway Engineering team was awarded the 2017 Merit Award for Best in Class for asphalt paving from the Minnesota Department of Transportation.

The award for asphalt paving was given for the improvements performed on County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 23. CSAH 23 was resurfaced from the south county line to TH 18 for a total of 14 miles. In addition to improving the driving surface, 14 culvert replacements were performed along with 2 areas of subgrade improvements. Paved shoulders were also included to increase safety.

"The eight-member engineering team did an outstanding job on delivering this project," said Crow Wing County Assistant Engineer, Rob Hall. "From original project scoping more than 4 years ago, to plan development and construction oversight, the completion of the project represents a significant improvement for residents in the area. I am especially proud of the group for not only this project, but for delivering 20 projects totaling an investment of more than 11 million dollars during the 2017 construction season."

The project was combined with improvements to CSAH 25 as one contract. When combined, the two projects accounted for more than 60,000 tons of bituminous pavement and represented a 2.9-million-dollar investment to the County highway system.

The engineering team along with its contractor, Anderson Brothers, were judged on items such as finished ride quality, test results on materials used and quality of the work product. They delivered a 2-million-dollar improvement design with a plan set that was easily interpreted and bid by the contractor, performed construction inspection to ensure quality and delivered an accurate engineers estimate for budgeting.

The paving plan was ranked against other rural state and highway improvements across the state of Minnesota and was determined to be the top submitted project.

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