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County's Contractor Awarded for Glenn McConnell/I-526 Project

S.C. Asphalt Pavement Association Award given for overcoming challenging work

A <u>Charleston County's Transportation Sales Tax Program</u> contractor has been awarded the South Carolina Asphalt Pavement Association Award. Sanders Brothers Construction Company of Charleston received the distinguished annual award from the S.C. Asphalt Pavement Association for overcoming challenging work on the <u>Glenn McConnell</u> /I-526 Improvement Project.

"Under the County's guidance, Sanders Brothers overcame challenges that resulted from the amount of extra effort involved, unforeseen construction issues and the overall quality of the finished work on this complicated project," said Ashley R. Batson, Esq., Executive Director, with the S.C. Asphalt Pavement Association. "The Glenn McConnell/I-526 Improvement Project had many difficult situations that were handled in a manner that resulted in minimum traffic flow problems in the busy Glenn McConnell project area."

Sanders Brothers Construction Company was also recognized for its quality control tests results and overall performance.

"The project would not have been a success without the joint effort by Bon Secours St. Francis Hospital and the surrounding businesses. They were very supportive of the project and remained patient as construction issues were encountered." said Devri Detoma, an engineer with Charleston County's Transportation Development Department, who oversaw the project and worked directly with Sanders Brothers Construction throughout the process.

Judges with the S.C. Asphalt Pavement Association also said that the nearby hospital and other commercial businesses that were directly affected by the project had complimentary remarks about the roadway improvement project. The S.C. Asphalt Pavement Association was started in 1966 as a statewide trade association of contractor member-firms engaged in the production of high quality hot mix asphalt.

The \$7.2 million Glenn McConnell Parkway/I-526 Improvement Project was completed in June of 2011. Work included improvements along Glenn McConnell Parkway from Essex Farm Road to Orleans Road. The project was requested by the City of Charleston and was funded by the Charleston County Transportation Sales Tax Program.

The public can get more information and see photos of the finished project online at http://www.ccroadwise.org/projects/gm_526_const/index.php. Visit the official website at www.ccroadwise.org for public meeting notices and up-to-date news and information about all Charleston County Transportation Sales Tax road projects.

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