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CH2M HILL

Since its beginning in 1946, CH2M HILL has been providing full-service engineering, construction, and operations across the United States. From coast to coast, CH2M HILL has partnered with municipal, state, federal, and private-sector clients to achieve their full strategic and operational agendas.

Throughout our 60 years in business, CH2M HILL has delivered innovative and practical technology solutions on a wide range of water, environmental, transportation, nuclear, manufacturing, power and energy, pharmaceutical, communications, chemicals, electronics, and biotechnology projects. The cornerstone of our success is the depth of resources and talent in our local offices and supporting regional offices in the United States. CH2M HILL employees live in the communities you serve and have a vested interest in helping you solve your toughest technical challenges both big and small.

<http://www.ch2m.com/corporate/>

Artistic Builders, Inc.

Artistic Builders and Charles Plunkett are pleased to be at the forefront of general contractors in San Antonio implementing LEED Green Building processes into their new building projects. ABI is proud to be the general contractor for several buildings at the Pearl Brewery, including the multi-use Full Goods building and Andrew Weissman's new restaurant, Il Sogno, both of which meet the USGBC's exacting LEED standards for sustainability, water conservation, energy efficiency, responsible material sources, and indoor environmental quality. We are very excited to participate in this workshop focusing on Green Infrastructure, which integrates seamlessly with LEED. Artistic Builders Inc. is committed to expanding participation in the local and national movement toward Green Building.

Artistic Builders, Inc.:

- Provides construction services of superior quality at competitive prices with steadfast commitment to the best interests of each project
- Fulfills architectural vision precisely, utilizing solid building fundamentals with skill, ingenuity and innovation
- Earns trust and confidence with dedication, dependability, communication, accountability and consistency

<http://www.artisticbuilders.com/home.html>

U.S. Green Building Council

Balcones Chapter

Our mission is to provide a visible catalyst for change in Central Texas. The USGBC supports the creation of communities that regenerate and sustain the health and vitality of all life. Through education, advocacy, and partnerships, we advance sustainable building

and land development practices throughout a 55 county region, including Austin and San Antonio. We can't do it without our sponsors. The pioneering handful that began the Central Texas Chapter of USGBC nearly six years ago has seen the chapter swell in membership to over 2,100 members from across the state. Our ranks include some of the most influential and respected environmentalists, engineers, architects, advocates, and educators in the country.

www.usgbc-centraltexas.org/

RVK Architects

Rehler Vaughn & Koone, Inc. (RVK) is a San Antonio-based design firm offering professional services in architecture, interior design, landscape architecture and computer visualization. The firm was founded in 1971 by Ken Rehler and currently has a staff of over 65 employees. The firm's practice has been built on a consistent philosophy: endeavoring to provide the same level of service to every client - an exceptional design, on time and within the budget. RVK recognizes that each client is unique and each design solution must be a creative response to the particular client's needs. This philosophy has proven to be successful with a portfolio of over \$950 million in completed construction. The firm has received numerous awards for design excellence, attesting to the quality of the firm's work and the consistently high level of client satisfaction. RVK maintains a diverse design practice and has completed work on a wide variety of project types for both public and private sector clients.

RVK is committed to total design quality by adopting an on-going philosophy of quality management assuring both design and technical excellence on each project undertaken. The firm has experience in fast-track, design-build and turn-key construction formats as well as conventional project sequencing. Their state-of-the-art architectural practice includes the latest computers, software and equipment keeping the firm at the leading edge of design and construction technology.

<http://www.rvk-architects.com/>

CPS Energy

CPS Energy is transforming itself from a company focused on providing low-cost power to a company providing competitively priced power from a variety of sustainable sources. To back up its commitment to sustainability, CPS Energy has already spent \$369 million on sustainability-related projects and plans to allocate another \$5.3 billion in the next 12 years.

<http://www.cpsenergy.com/>

Pate Engineering

Pate Engineers, Inc., (PATE) provides civil engineering services for a wide variety of public and private clients. Our practice focuses on the creation of projects to solve urban infrastructure problems. Established in 1970 as a one-man shop, PATE has grown to more than 300 professionals. With offices across Texas in Houston, Dallas, Austin, Fort Worth, Arlington and San Antonio, PATE offers proven experience, results and growth.

PATE professionals provide experience and in-depth knowledge of the markets they serve including knowledge about current technologies and the regulating bodies that govern the markets. PATE has built a reputation on solid accomplishments. Our project experience includes wastewater collection and treatment; water treatment and distribution; water storage tank design, inspection and rehabilitation; flood control and drainage; residential and commercial land development; utility district engineering support; transportation infrastructure; commercial, multi-family residential, retail and industrial building site development; and surveying, mapping and geographic information systems. PATE is the engineering company for The Verano Development in City South. <http://www.pateeng.com/about/default.htm>

Cement Council of Texas

The Cement Council of Texas provides technical information to those individuals and agencies that write construction specifications. The Council distributes technical bulletins published by the Portland Cement Association (PCA), the American Concrete Pavement Association (ACPA) and the National Ready Mixed Concrete Association (NRMCA), or local publications. Information may be shared with decision makers individually or through seminars that attract a large number of public and private practice engineers. <http://www.cementcounciloftexas.org/index.htm>

StormWater Structures

Providing innovative stormwater management solutions

StormWater Structures is a stormwater solutions provider for all market sectors, bringing methods and materials that raise compliance with all regulations, while lowering the associated costs of filtering and managing stormwater through all phases of a site, from initial construction through occupancy and operation.

www.stormwaterstructures.com/

Glenrose Engineering, Inc.

Glenrose Engineering is a woman-owned consulting business in Austin, Texas since 1987. We solve environmental problems using innovative design based on sound scientific principles. Our project areas include:

- Storm Runoff Treatment Design
- Stream and Riparian Restoration
- Municipal Engineering Services
- Environmental Assessments
- Groundwater Assessments
- Permit and Litigation Support
- Monitoring System Design
- Environmental Site Design
- Environmental Statistics
- Site Remediation

Our clients include industries, municipalities, government agencies, sovereign tribal nations, land developers, attorneys, and environmental organizations. Our work has included projects in California, New Orleans post-Katrina, Canada, Mexico, and Scotland.

<http://www.glenrose.com/>

Raintainer

Raintainer is the proactive stormwater container solution! We strive to further the goals of Low Impact Development through public education, public involvement, and post-construction. Raintainer values community-wide engagement as a means to making our cities greener!

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Big Grass Bamboo

Asian bamboo and the environment have a not-so-secret love affair. This tall grass renews itself four times as fast as hardwoods and can reforest areas damaged by clear-cutting. This miracle grass is sustainable, versatile and ounce-for-ounce stronger than steel. We buy directly from rural craftspeople to ensure consistently excellent quality for you while helping them preserve their traditions. And when you bring their craftsmanship into your own home, their work becomes part of your life. Big Grass Bamboo works directly with local family producers in Thailand and Mexico and our products are free of chemical treatments. Big Grass Bamboo rainwater containers are handcrafted, sturdy and beautiful enough to place in your front yard.

www.biggrass-bamboo.com

EcoCreto

EcoCreto, LLC, is a U.S. based company, with manufacturer of EcoCreto Enhanced Pervious Concrete™ production facilities, sales staff, and research and development located in Austin, Texas. EcoCreto Enhanced Pervious Concrete™ was developed in 1990 in Mexico City to help replenish the quickly depleting groundwater aquifers and was introduced to the US in 1997.

With the ever pressing issues of urban sprawl as many rural areas are quickly becoming developed into shopping centers and subdivisions, the impact of stormwater run-off from impervious surfaces such as parking lots, sidewalks and roads has challenged our environmental balance. This increasing amount of impervious area has created an imbalance in the natural ecosystem leading to flash floods, pollution of our rivers, streams and lakes, and the depletion of our groundwater.

<http://www.ecocreto.com/home.html>

About Our Partners

U. S. Environmental Protection Agency

Green infrastructure is an approach to wet weather management that is cost-effective, sustainable, and environmentally friendly. Green Infrastructure management approaches and technologies infiltrate, evapotranspire, capture and reuse stormwater to maintain or restore natural hydrologies.

At the largest scale, the preservation and restoration of natural landscape features (such as forests, floodplains and wetlands) are critical components of green stormwater infrastructure. By protecting these ecologically sensitive areas, communities can improve water quality while providing wildlife habitat and opportunities for outdoor recreation. On a smaller scale, green infrastructure practices include rain gardens, porous pavements, green roofs, infiltration planters, trees and tree boxes, and rainwater harvesting for non-potable uses such as toilet flushing and landscape irrigation.

http://cfpub.epa.gov/npdes/home.cfm?program_id=298

City of San Antonio

Planning and Development Services Department

The Planning and Development Services Department is responsible for orderly development of our City and for protecting the health, safety, and quality of life of the citizens of San Antonio through implementation of the City's Master Plan Policies, regulation of land and building development. In addition, the department seeks to facilitate an efficient and effective development process that supports the Master Plan Policies, growth, and economic development. These processes include comprehensive, neighborhood, regional, and community planning, and granting authority to develop land, construct, and occupy buildings.

Since City development involves partnerships with other City departments and outside agencies, the department seeks to facilitate the coordination of these reviews to provide responsive customer service throughout the development process and to produce neighborhood and community plans that include goals and action steps for land use, housing, economic development, community facilities, and transportation networks.

<http://www.sanantonio.gov/dsd/>

Greater Edwards Aquifer Alliance

The Greater Edwards Aquifer Alliance (GEAA) promotes effective broad-based grassroots advocacy for aquifer protection throughout the twenty-one county Edwards Aquifer region. GEAA works with 45 member organizations to build statewide support for conservation and sustainable management of the Edwards Aquifer Ecosystem. Our overall goal is to protect the Edwards and Trinity aquifers, contributing watersheds, and the flora and fauna, history and culture of the Texas Hill Country.

GEAA has become recognized as the regional voice for aquifer protection - earning numerous awards and recognition of our efforts by national, regional and local publications and media. During State Legislative sessions GEAA proves invaluable in educating policy makers, elected officials and the general public about measures to protect our water resources. GEAA has successfully developed and implemented a model of working locally as individual groups, while sharing technical, legal and other resources regionally, and advocating for a regional vision and regional solutions to the threats to our water, wildlife, scenic lands and rural communities.

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<http://www.aquiferalliance.org>

Bexar County

Infrastructure Services Department

The Infrastructure Services Department is responsible for developing and maintaining County: roads, bridges, vehicles, equipment, parks, and facilities. We strive to ensure environmental compliance, fire safety, good working relationships, and high standards of professional management for Bexar County.

<http://www.co.bexar.tx.us/bcinf/>

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality strives to protect our state's human and natural resources consistent with sustainable economic development. Our goal is clean air, clean water, and the safe management of waste.

<http://www.tceq.state.tx.us/>

San Antonio Water System

Our water operations and water protection programs are designed to protect public health and the environment. We are committed to protecting our natural resources, so that this region continues to be an ideal place to visit or raise a family.

We are genuinely committed to developing partnerships based on mutual respect and trust. Our reputation as a valued partner is derived from our willingness to listen and to identify opportunities that build on the strengths of others. We are recognized by our peers as the provider of choice in the region and a national model for large water systems.

<http://www.saws.org/>