



DBIA Rocky Mountain Region

Design-Build Institute of America (DBIA)

2012 Civic Award

The DBIA Rocky Mountain Region 2012 Civic Award was presented to the project team for the Fort Carson Physical Fitness Facility, Fort Carson, Colo., pictured above.

Team members included the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (owner), Big-D Construction (design-builder), Architectural Nexus (architect), CTI (general contractor) and Baker Engineering.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Eric Moe, Puma Steel
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The Design-Build Institute of America (DBIA) is a unique

organization in which owners, contractors, architects, engineers, subcontractors and suppliers all come together to learn and share how to make a project a success.

Design-build is becoming the preferred delivery method for many owners in the Rocky Mountain Region, embracing architects, engineers and constructors (AEC) under a single contract. When construction professionals from all phases of a project are brought together to produce creative design, innovative construction solutions and eliminate potential problems early in the process, the result is an entire team with a vested interest in the project's success.

The DBIA Rocky Mountain Region had a phenomenal year! I attribute our

success to these factors: a great group of leaders and volunteers, a strong and dedicated local membership, a superior executive director and generous corporate contributors. Without their support, our accomplishments would be significantly lessened.

In 2012, our region educated more than 80 owners in our monthly programs and annual conference. We also attracted more than 200 participants to our first Uber Conference for owners, water/wastewater, transportation and vertical construction. We built a new website to focus on our regional members that will also provide better tools and more resources while actively recognizing our sponsors.

Our student chapters now include CU, CSU and CU-Denver, where we assisted the organization of a new chapter this year. Our board helped spearhead DBIA's first national student competition, and our first-place student team attended the DBIA national conference.

Our organization also supported an industry-wide protest of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for its increased use of single-step design-build—a

practice that DBIA believes defeats the collaborative purpose and creativity of design-build, while adding expense to the process. Some firms spend hundreds of thousands of dollars per year on proposal expenses alone, and many cannot afford to compete on single-step jobs.

DBIA Rocky Mountain Region was able to help work toward change in 2012 that will positively impact the future of design-build and the construction industry. I invite you to become a member of DBIA RMR. Join us at one of our local programs, attend our 2013 regional conference, or sign up for an educational course to support our mission and continue the momentum of this valuable organization. ■

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2012 Student Competition

The DBIA Rocky Mountain Region, led by Educational Chair Dennis Ashley, hosts an annual student competition. The winners of each region were invited to the DBIA National Conference in New Orleans to receive recognition at the first DBIA National Student Competition which was held Nov. 7–9, 2012.

Congratulations to the first place Rocky Mountain regional winner of the first Annual DBIA National Student Competition: Colorado Builders of Colorado State University. Team members were Andrew Wood, Brian Derkash, Alex Stein and Megan Miller. ■

Water/Wastewater Committee Reaches Out to Owners

By Justin Whittaker

J.R. Filanc Construction Company, Inc.

DBIA Rocky Mountain Region's Water/Wastewater Committee was formed in 2010 to give water/wastewater owners and practitioners an avenue to obtain relevant and specific education, training and networking opportunities. In the past, DBIA's water/wastewater focus has been at the national level, with a large annual water/wastewater conference. The committee's goal is to create a grass-roots approach and regular focus on design-build for the regional water/wastewater industry through outreach via lunch programs, regional conferences, education, training, networking and more.

Our industry's new drinking water standards, new discharge limits, environmental orders, and ditch water calendar constraints are all driving the design-build delivery method and the growth of this regional committee. Design-build can be a tremendous asset to an owner when there is a major schedule driver for a project.

Many smaller owners and/or projects can benefit with the consolidation of design and construction into one design-build contract. With lower cost, less time and a single point of contact, projects can be delivered quickly with ease. Many small projects in the region are being delivered using design-build. For example, a small metering vault modification project needs to be completely designed, built and online in less than 30 days due to irrigation ditch water schedule constraints. Under a traditional delivery method, that schedule would be extremely difficult to achieve.

The committee has two tracks and six presentations at the upcoming regional DBIA conference, and is developing a project delivery method selection matrix tool for owners. The selection matrix tool is being funded and developed by the DBIA Rocky Mountain Region Water/Wastewater Committee, Colorado Contractors Association and the University of Colorado. This tool will allow owners to better evaluate their water/wastewater projects and the appropriate delivery method. The project delivery selection matrix tool will be the focus of one of the morning educational sessions at the May 3 Regional Conference. ■

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2013 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 17, 2013

DBIA Rocky Mountain Region Collegiate Awards Bowling Fundraiser
Brunswick Zone, Lakewood, Colo.

May 3, 2013

DBIA Rocky Mountain Region's Regional Conference

The Rocky Mountain Region 2013 Regional Conference will be held on Friday, May 3, 2013 at the Ritz Carlton Downtown Denver. Sponsorships and exhibit space information available soon on our website, www.dbiarockymountain.org. DBIA and AIA CEU credits will be available.

May 17, 2013

DBIA National Course: Design Management Fundamentals (Denver)

This new course, along with DBIA's Design Management Guide, explores the fundamental aspects associated with successful management of design within an integrated delivery framework. (8 CEUs) For more information and to register, visit www.dbiarockymountain.org

June 26, 2013

DBIA Rocky Mountain Region 11th Annual Golf Tournament
The Ridge at Castle Pines,
Castle Rock, Colo.

August 9, 2013

DBIA Rocky Mountain Region 8th Sporting Clay Tournament
Kiowa Creek, Bennett, Colo.

December 12, 2013

DBIA Rocky Mountain Region Annual Meeting & Awards Luncheon

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