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# Press Release

## Discovery Corridor Wastewater Transmission System recognized as 2015 Catalyst Project

On July 22, 2015 The Clark Regional Wastewater District (District) and contractor Tapani Inc., of Battle Ground, Washington, were recipients of the “2015 Catalyst Project” for construction of the first phase of the Discovery Corridor Wastewater Transmission System (DCWTS). The award was received at the Top Projects event, which is produced annually by the Vancouver Business Journal and sponsored by the Southwest Washington Contractors Association. The inaugural Catalyst award was given to the DCWTS in recognition for the leadership and vision behind this important project, which will be instrumental in realizing economic opportunities in Ridgefield and the I-5 Discovery Corridor for generations.

The DCWTS is a multi-phase program to provide sewer capacity for the City of Ridgefield and the Discovery Corridor. Phase 1 of the DCWTS, currently under construction, is a \$25 Million project to construct a new wastewater pipeline connecting the Ridgefield/Interstate 5 junction area to the Salmon Creek Wastewater Management System. The project will support future economic development and help the District provide efficient, high-quality sewer service at the lowest possible cost. The project is a result of decades of collaboration between state and local agencies.

District Board President Neil Kimsey acknowledged that “this is a tremendous validation of many years of hard work by many leaders at the state and local level. It also confirms we are making the right investment in the right location at the right time to move the needle on economic opportunity for our community.” He went on to commend the extensive cooperation and partnerships that made this project possible, “The District would like to give special thanks to its partners that are an integral part in the success of this project. Organizations sharing the vision behind the DCWTS and playing a critical role include the City of Ridgefield, Port of Ridgefield, Washington State Department of Transportation, Washington State Department of Ecology, the Washington State Public Works Board, former Senator Joe Zarelli, OTAK and CH2M HILL.

The District’s Contractor, Tapani Inc., began construction on June 16, 2014. Since that time, more than eight (8) miles of pipe have been installed. Construction is still underway, including installation of dual force mains in the median of Interstate 5 between the Battle Ground Highway and Ridgefield junction. The project remains on-schedule and on-budget and is expected to be operational early in 2016.

For more information on the project visit [www.crwwd.com/projects/dcwts](http://www.crwwd.com/projects/dcwts) or contact Shawn Moore at (360) 993-8849 or [smoore@crwwd.com](mailto:smoore@crwwd.com).

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