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## **NTTA WELCOMES 2022-24 ROAD PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS**

Mentoring Partnership Seeks to Drive Growth of Diverse Firms

**PLANO, Texas – Feb. 16, 2022 –** The North Texas Tollway Authority introduced its 2022-24 Relationships and Opportunities Advancing Diversity (ROAD) program participants at its board meeting Wednesday.

This year's ROAD program has a total of 15 teams.

The ROAD program provides opportunities for new and emerging disadvantaged/minority-owned/woman-owned business enterprises (D/M/WBEs) to partner with established firms in a mentor-protege style program. It is designed to enhance technical and industry knowledge, so consultant companies can compete for future procurement opportunities at NTTA and similar entities in the North Texas region.



NTTA Board of Directors with members of NTTA's 2022-24 ROAD program class

"Our award-winning ROAD program has been a fundamental driver of NTTA's business diversity efforts for more than 12 years," said NTTA Board Chairman John Mahalik. "We value the partnerships and relationships that have been forged by the many companies that have participated over the years."

This is NTTA's seventh class since the program's inception in 2008. To date, 65 teams have completed the program. Several consultants that once participated as proteges have "paid it forward" by becoming mentors in later classes, the ideal growth path of a ROAD program participant.

Many of the prime contractors below have participated in the ROAD program since its inception.

2022-24 ROAD PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS	
MENTORS	PROTEGES
Archer Western Construction	Eagle Barricade

Atkins North America	EPB Associates
BGE	Lambeth Engineering Associates
EJES Incorporated	Global Civil Solutions
GEI Consultants	iCivil Engineering
HDR	Transcend Engineers and Planners
HNTB Corporation	Integrated CM Solutions, ICMS
Jacobs	Simon Engineering
LJA Engineering	Bird Advocacy & Consulting
Locke Lord	Simmons Legal
Michael Baker International	Nathan D. Maier Consulting Engineers
RS&H	M-TO- PROS Development
SAM-Construction Services	Beyond Engineering & Testing
Thomas Gallaway Corporation dba Technologent	Sology Solutions
VRX	DGR Consultants

For more information about NTTA diversity programs, visit NTTA.org

## **About NTTA**

<u>The North Texas Tollway Authority</u>, a political subdivision of the state of Texas, is authorized to acquire, construct, maintain, repair and operate turnpike projects across the North Texas region. The <u>nine-member board</u> is comprised of Chairman John Mahalik; Vice Chairwoman Jane Willard; and Directors Tim Carter, Lynn Gravley, Mojy Haddad, Pete Kamp, Marcus Knight, Scott Levine, and George "Tex" Quesada.

NTTA is composed of member counties Dallas, Denton, Collin, and Tarrant. It also serves Ellis and Johnson counties. NTTA owns and operates the Dallas North Tollway, President George Bush Turnpike, Sam Rayburn Tollway, Addison Airport Toll Tunnel, Lewisville Lake Toll Bridge, Mountain Creek Lake Bridge, Chisholm Trail Parkway, and 360 Tollway. It raises capital for construction projects through the issuance of turnpike revenue bonds. NTTA toll projects are not a part of the state highway system and receive no direct tax funding. Tolls are collected to repay debt and to operate and maintain the roadways.

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