



## **G2 Consulting Team Earns ACEC Excellence Award**

*G2 team recognized for one of Michigan's top engineering projects*

**TROY, MI** – G2 Consulting Group, a nationally recognized Troy, MI-based geotechnical, geoenvironmental and construction engineering services firm, was selected as a 2014 “Honorable Conceptor” award winner by The American Council of Engineering Companies of Michigan (ACEC/M).

G2, along with its partner HH Engineering Ltd, was honored for work at the I-94/Sargent Road interchange in Jackson County, MI, a key transportation route for this area – especially when Michigan International Speedway is holding a race or the University of Michigan is hosting a football game. When MDOT began considering a major reconstruction of this area, the team understood careful planning would be required to keep traffic flowing. What was not so apparent was how subsurface conditions would increase project complexity.

“The award is gratifying,” says Dave Wanless, G2 Project Manager. “We looked a number of traditional engineering solutions that just wouldn’t meet the project timeline and budget. The solution we designed kept the project moving and ultimately saved the most public money.”

Mark Grazioli, P.E., Jackson MDOT TSC manger, said that G2’s design in the wetlands area exceeded MDOT’s expectations. “The selected option had significantly lower cost and shorter construction duration with fewer impacts on adjacent roads and traffic. The success of the project was due to overall cooperation and coordination by all parties involved,” he said.

G2 Consulting Group was retained by HH Engineering to investigate the geotechnical conditions beneath the job site and provide recommendations for bridge and roadway design and construction. Particular emphasis was placed on the challenges associated with embankment construction through several wetland areas. “Using a stabilization blanket and wick drains to accelerate settling, embankments were constructed in less than 3 months, enabling construction to proceed on schedule with minimal disruption to I-94,” shares Mark Smolinski, G2’s president.

### **About G2 Consulting Group:**

G2 Consulting ([G2consultinggroup.com](http://G2consultinggroup.com) and [twitter.com/G2\\_consulting](https://twitter.com/G2_consulting)) is a geotechnical, geoenvironmental, and construction engineering firm that has delivered hundreds of telecommunications, land development and civil infrastructure projects for two decades across the United States. Based in Troy, Mich., G2 also has offices in Ann Arbor, MI and suburban Chicago, Ill.

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