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Flagler Greenways Pedestrian Bridge wins 'National Recognition Award' from the American Council of Engineering Companies

February 28, 2024 – Flagler County was notified Tuesday morning that the Flagler Greenways Pedestrian Bridge over State Road 100 has earned the "National Recognition Award" from American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC) in the 2024 Engineering Excellence Awards (EEA) competition – the "world's greatest celebration of engineering excellence." The award will go to Kisinger Campo and Associates, the engineering company that designed the bridge for the county.

"Kisinger, Campo, and Associates did an excellent job designing a unique, one-of-a-kind structure that would enhance the State Road 100 corridor leading to Flagler Beach," said Flagler County Engineering Department Project Manager Amy Stroger, who oversaw the project. "The inspiration for the design was drawn from the Aframe shape of the Flagler Beach Pier."

The Flagler Greenways Pedestrian Bridge is situated between Colbert Lane and Old Kings Road. It added more than two miles of added trails to serve as a multimodal connection for the robust trail system that already exists in Flagler County. Benefits to the community are that it provides pedestrians and bicyclists with a safe way to cross a major, high-speed, four-lane thoroughfare. The ramps on and off the bridge are ADA compliant.

Stroger is thrilled about the accolades the bridge is receiving. This is its third award in as many months.

The Northeast Florida Regional Council in December 2023 announced that the Flagler Greenways Pedestrian Bridge was the recipient of its Annual Regional Awards for Excellence in the category of Transportation. Later that same month, it was one of seven "top tier" projects that took the "Grand Award" at the American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC) Florida Engineering Excellence Awards – making it eligible to enter the national ACEC Engineering Excellence Awards competition, which honors projects worldwide.

"This is amazing," Stroger said. "Every project is important, and excellence is always our (Flagler County Engineering Department's) goal. We are humbled and honored by this recognition."

The National Recognition Award is a prestigious distinction honoring projects demonstrating exceptional engineering excellence at the national level. Kisinger Campo and Associates, Flagler County, and the Flagler Greenways Pedestrian Bridge will be recognized at the ACEC Engineering Excellence Awards dinner and program – a black-tie event – held on May 15 in Washington D.C.

"This is a wonderful project that adds so many benefits to our community," said County Administrator Heidi Petito. "What an honor it is to be recognized nationally for this project. Everyone who worked on this project did a great job."

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