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LADERA RANCH RECEIVES PROJECT OF THE YEAR AWARD

IRVINE, Calif., February 18, 2005 — Ladera Ranch earned the Project of the Year award from the Orange County branch of the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE).

On February 17, 2005, ASCE held its annual awards banquet to recognize outstanding engineering accomplishments in Orange County's engineering community. Entries are judged on their complexity, scope, and unique engineering accomplishments. Hall & Foreman, Inc. (HFI) nominated the project on behalf of DMB Ladera Ranch, LLC., and all of the consultants who worked on Ladera Ranch.

The master planned community of Ladera Ranch, located in south Orange County, is designed to include over 8,000 homes, several shopping centers, an urban activities center, three elementary schools, a middle school, and numerous parks and recreational areas and 1,600 acres of natural open space.

The multi-disciplined professional consultant team assembled for the project exhibited unprecedented effort in collaborative planning, team communication and innovation to overcome various site challenges. The three prime civil engineering firms who were involved with the planning, design, and construction of Ladera Ranch were, HFI, Huitt-Zollars, Inc., and Hunsaker and Associates.

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Additional consultants serving on the team were Kurtz and Associates, Goffman, McCormick & Urban, Inc., Douglas Bender and Associates, Adams Streeter, PRP Engineering, Austin-Foust, WPA Traffic Engineering, Inc., Rivertech, Inc., and Paul Moote & Associates.

HFI's chief executive officer John C. Hogan, P.E., commended the project and its team members by stating, "HFI's very proud to be a part of a team that worked together to achieve our Client's goals."

Later in February, the Orange County Engineering Council (OCEC) will recognize Ladera Ranch by awarding it an Engineering Project Achievement Award. The award is part of the OCEC Engineering Recognition Program, which honors engineering excellence in Orange County. OCEC promotes the principles and advancement of engineering through the interaction of professional engineering societies and engineering companies operating in Orange County.

Founded in 1961, HFI specializes in civil engineering, land planning/development, land surveying, entitlement coordination, infrastructure funding, investigative engineering, municipal/public works, surveying and mapping, and landscape architecture services. With offices in Irvine, Rancho Cucamonga, Temecula, and Woodland Hills, HFI serves public and private clients on a variety of projects throughout California and Southern Nevada.

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John Hogan receiving the Engineering Project Achievement Award for Ladera Ranch from Phil Ridout, President of the Orange County Engineering Council.