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Finalists announced for Roothing Excellence Awards

The finalists in the annual Roothing Excellence Awards were announced today by Roothing New Zealand chief executive Chris Olsen.

Eleven entries from throughout the country have been named finalists in four categories sponsored by InfraTrain New Zealand, Shell Bitumen and Goughs, with category winners eligible for the Roothing New Zealand Supreme Award.

The award winners will be announced at a gala dinner attended by Transport Minister Steven Joyce and industry leaders at the Duxton Hotel in Wellington on 7 September.

Mr Olsen says there has never been a better time to celebrate excellence in the roading industry.

“With the Government’s recent focus on enhancing economic growth through investments in roading infrastructure, now is the best time to showcase achievements in this sector,” Mr Olsen says.

The awards recognise excellence in the planning, design and construction of significant roading projects, as well as the development and implementation of best practice and collaboration in the roading industry.

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Finalists in the 2009 Roothing Excellence Awards:

Shell Bitumen Excellence Award for Major Road Project (Over \$4 million)

- HEB Construction, BECA Infrastructure and NZTA – SH2 Mangatawhiri Deviation
- Northern Gateway Alliance and NZTA – Northern Gateway Toll Road

- Opus International Consultants, HEB Structures and Manukau City Council – Cavendish Link

Goughs Excellence Award for a Minor Road Project (Under \$4 million)

- Fulton Hogan, GHD Ltd and NZTA – State Highway 60, Eureka Bend Reinstatement
- Fulton Hogan, Opus International Consultants and NZTA – Oamaru Monument Relocation and Thames Street (SH1), Oamaru Safety Improvements
- Fulton Hogan Gisborne, Opus International Consultants and NZTA – The Goldsmiths Realignment (State Highway 35)
- MWH NZ Limited and Fulton Hogan – Crown Range Zig Zag Upgrade Project

InfraTrain New Zealand Industry Best Practice Award – People

- City Care Limited – Increasing Safe Behaviours at City Care
- Downer EDI Works – Team Up To Safety: Building Safety Through Teamwork
- Northern Gateway Alliance and NZTA – Northern Gateway Toll Road

InfraTrain New Zealand Industry Best Practice Award – Environmental Sustainability

- AECOM – Healing Te Rerenga Wairua Cape Reinga Upgrade

About the Roding Excellence Awards:

It is the fifth year that the Roding Excellence Awards have been run by Roding New Zealand – the industry representative body for a wide range of contracting companies whose core business involves building and maintaining the country's roading and land transport infrastructure.

The competition is open to all organisations that administer roads, such as the New Zealand transport Agency or local authorities, as well as contractors and consultants. Entries must be a road or pavement that vehicles drive on, or is used by pedestrians, including sports and race tracks, and airports. Projects must have been completed between 20 July 2007 and 10 July 2009. Marks will be awarded in areas such as innovation, uptake of the initiative, results of the initiative, and benefit to the sector.