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AMERICAN PUBLIC WORKS ASSOCIATION RECOGNIZES SUN LINK STREETCAR CONSTRUCTION MANAGER

The Southern Arizona Branch of the American Public Works Association (APWA) announced today that Joe Chase, P.E. has been awarded the 2014 Professional Award of Merit. Mr. Chase, a project manager for the City of Tucson Department of Transportation (TDOT), received the award today during the local APWA reception held at the TEP Downtown Headquarters.

Mr. Chase has been employed with TDOT for 14 years and has spent the past 14 months managing the construction of the Sun Link Streetcar Project.

“Mr. Chase has clearly demonstrated his commitment to the public works profession during his management of the streetcar project,” said TDOT Director Daryl W. Cole. “We at TDOT are very proud of him being recognized with this award. With the streetcar project, he has exhibited very efficient and innovative construction management practices, especially on a project of this magnitude.”



Joe Chase

The Sun Link Streetcar project is considered to be Tucson’s largest and most complex transportation construction project in the City’s history. The \$196 million project, co-managed by the City of Tucson and the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA), is expected to launch service July 25, 2014.

Construction began in March 2012 and was substantially completed in just over 19 months. The project included about \$19 million in much-needed infrastructure improvements along the 3.9 mile route between the downtown area and the University of Arizona campus. Over 35,000 feet of concrete embedded rail was installed along the route with 511 overhead contact system poles supporting 38,307 feet of contact wire.

For more information on the Sun Link Streetcar, visit www.SunLinkStreetcar.com.

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