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Manson Construction Co. General Superintendent David Nielsen Wins 2024 Golden Beaver Supervision Award

Seattle, Washington – Manson Construction Co is proud to announce that General Superintendent David "Dave" Nielsen has been recognized as the recipient of the 2024 Golden Beaver Supervision Award.

A Manson employee since 1976, Dave Nielsen has more than four decades of demonstrated leadership in the marine construction industry. He specializes in large-scale, complex marine and waterfront structures, including preconstruction, demolition, and construction. "Dave understands the risks and what it takes to get the job done: people, equipment, and resources," says Manson President and CEO John Holmes. "He has outstanding judgment--a trait that is not just acquired over time but is a combination of intuition, knowledge of the craft, and experience."

Dave's success as a manager is due to a proven track record of promoting and enforcing safe production among crews, subcontractors, and partners in all daily operations. Dave's leadership style reflects an attitude of flexibility, innovation, effective communication, and hands-on management. With an inherent sense of care and concern for people, Dave has consistently gone above and beyond to ensure projects are completed in accordance with the design and requirements of



Figure 1: Manson General Superintendent David Nielsen on a project site in full PPE.

the Owner and often well ahead of schedule. He led all field operations for the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge Demolition Phase 1 project for Caltrans to completion more than a year early (at a cost savings of over \$20 million to the Owner), as well as the I-35 "St. Anthony Falls" Bridge for MNDOT, which was opened to traffic in just 11 months--more than 3 months ahead of schedule.

Dave maintains a proven track record of working with all field personnel to promote jobsite safety and effective communication. He works to ensure everyone is on the same page--from crew and peers to clients and stakeholders. He is attentive and intentional when he listens, and he listens more than he speaks. He is a very strong planner and understands the need to plan early--utilizing input from experienced personnel and those who will perform the work.

Dave leads by action and commands respect. We can think of no one better suited for the 2024 Golden Beaver Supervision Award. Manson congratulates Dave on this well-deserved honor.

About Manson

Manson Construction Co. was founded in 1905 as a small piledriving business supporting the early development of Seattle's waterfront. Today, Manson's legacy of quality marine services continues to grow at locations throughout North America. We bring innovative solutions and engineering expertise to high-profile infrastructure and energy projects. With every job, Manson rises to the occasion to meet the ever-evolving, complex marine infrastructure needs of North America and the global community.

About the Beaver Awards

Founded in 1955, the Beavers is a distinguished community of construction industry professionals dedicated to promoting goodwill and recognizing outstanding skills and integrity. The 2024 awardees were recognized at a January 19th dinner event at the JW Marriott at LA Live in Los Angeles.

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