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Dear Metro ExpressLanes Project Team,

Congratulations! The Metro ExpressLanes Project Team has won the 2013 Partnered Project of the Year Award, Ruby Level from the International Partnering Institute (IPI)!

The Partnered Project of the Year Award recognizes teams who distinguish themselves by implementing IPI's best practices and by building high-trust working relationships on their projects. Winning teams demonstrated commitment to the partnering process, achieved excellent results and delivered an outstanding project.

Judging factors included success in applying IPI's best practices and the principals of partnering; project results achieved; inclusion of all stakeholders and project participants in the process; problems overcome; lessons learned; and evidence of a culture change. The applications were evaluated using a points-based system and teams were eligible to receive awards at one of three levels: Diamond, Ruby, and Sapphire.

The Metro ExpressLanes Project Team has earned the John L. Martin Partnered Project Award of the Year, Ruby Level, which is the second highest award. Your trophies will be presented at the IPI's Awards Ceremony on Thursday, May 16, 2013 at the San Francisco International Airport Aviation Museum. You can find more information on our website ([www.partneringinstitute.org](http://www.partneringinstitute.org)) or register by clicking on the link provided in the accompanying email. We hope you will bring your entire project team to be recognized!

Congratulations again on a partnering job well done! Your efforts have helped to continue to change the culture of construction. We look forward to the honor of celebrating with your team and presenting the IPI Partnered Project of the Year trophies at the Awards Ceremony.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Rob Reaugh", is positioned above the printed name and title of the sender.

Rob Reaugh  
Executive Director  
International Partnering Institute

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