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## news release

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### CDM EARNS TOP HONOR IN NATIONAL DESIGN-BUILD COMPETITION

*... Innovative groundwater remediation for Wichita wins Design-Build Institute of America Award ...*

WICHITA, Kansas – CDM has won the National Design-Build Award in the “Water Under \$15 Million Category” from the Design-Build Institute of America for the Gilbert and Mosley project in Wichita, Kansas. The award recognizes the city of Wichita and CDM’s unique groundwater contamination solution – delivered on a design-build basis – that provides significant resources for environmental education and promotes economic development in Wichita.

The Gilbert and Mosley project site encompasses more than 3,800 acres and contains a portion of the city’s downtown. The groundwater beneath the site is contaminated with chlorinated solvents and other compounds, threatening human health and the environment and adversely affecting economic development in the area.

Through an innovative approach that established alternate cleanup levels, CDM helped reduce the volume of groundwater requiring treatment by 40 percent, saving the city of Wichita an estimated \$8 million when compared to the initial cost projections. The groundwater treatment system, which CDM designed, built, and operated during its first year, treats more than 1.2 million gallons of contaminated groundwater per day, and the treated water is reused in fountains, aquariums, and other water features in the new environmental education center. The project has protected the health of Wichita citizens, provided a valuable community resource, and promoted more than \$300 million worth of economic development.

The project also recently garnered top honors in the American Academy of Environmental Engineers Excellence in Environmental Engineering Competition – winning the prestigious Superior Achievement Award – and earned a national honor award in the American Council of Engineering Companies Engineering Excellence Awards Competition.

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