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FREEDOM PARK NAMED PROJECT OF THE YEAR

Tampa, FL - Freedom Park (formerly the Gordon River Water Quality Park) in Collier County, Florida, received the Team Project of the Year Award for 2009 from the Florida Association of County Engineers and Road Superintendents (FACERS) on July 2, 2010, in Tampa.

The park hosts 3,800 feet of boardwalks, 2 miles of walking trails, and a 2,400-foot educational building, and introduced the planting of more than 10,000 new native plants and trees. And through the application of an interconnected system of multi-depth ponds, polishing marshes, and wetlands, the 50-acre park is a natural water quality treatment facility that provides flooding relief and tertiary treatment of stormwater runoff from the Gordon River Extension Basin.

PBS&J provided construction engineering inspection support to the county for this project, including a full-time resident inspector, request for information response, value engineering support, change request validation and approval, shop drawing review, permitting, and plans updates.

This is the second award the park has won since opening in October 2009. In December the project was recognized by *Southeast Construction Magazine* with the 2009 Best Engineering, Award of Excellence.

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