

WESTERN DREDGING ASSOCIATION

Is pleased to present the 2020 Annual Safety Excellence Award for a Dredging Contractor to

JE McAmis, Inc.

Founded in 1973, JE McAmis, Inc. (JEM) operates in all areas of heavy civil construction including marine construction and dredging.

In 2019, JEM worked an array of projects with safety exposures along waterways and beach areas with public interface. Projects included dredging in the Snohomish River for the Seattle District USACE, rock removal below the Bonneville Dam Spillway for the Portland District USACE and dredging multiple sites along the Oregon Coast.

Coastal projects involved several different ports, all requiring close partnership between JEM and the Portland District USACE. One such site was Port Orford which required commercial fishing vessels to be lowered from the dock by crane for safe launch and retrieval while dredging operations were underway.

JEM credits their safety success and their ability sustain a rolling 3-year average TRIR of 0.0 to: (1) prioritizing training during the slow season and using a training matrix to ensure each person has the skills they need to work safely; (2) increasing the visibility of maintenance by tracking protocols on whiteboards in shared spaces; and (3) using near miss reporting to expand their data set beyond recordable incidents and take the opportunity to proactively close safety gaps identified by employees.

WEDA congratulates JE McAmis, Inc. on their outstanding safety performance across the company and throughout their project work.