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## **NDDOT's Sorlie Bridge project wins regional award in America's Transportation Awards competition**

The North Dakota Department of Transportation has won a regional award in the 2016 America's Transportation Awards competition, which is sponsored by the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO), recognizing the best transportation projects across the nation. The project, **Sorlie Bridge** was selected as the regional winner in the Under Budget, Small Project category.

The \$4.6 million project on the Sorlie Bridge connecting the communities of Grand Forks, ND and East Grand Forks, MN, was completed in 2015. The project included bridge rehabilitation, painting, modern lighting, pavement markings and other improvements. During the entire project, the bridge remained open to motorists.

As a regional winner, this project will next be considered for inclusion in the "Top Ten" projects in the competition, which will be announced in September, and these projects will then compete for the Grand Prize and the People's Choice Awards. This year a total of 84 projects were nominated from 40 states.

For more information about Sorlie Bridge go to:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ABM3K2y1Egk>