

THE WRIGHT STUFF



"IT'S THE NEW EPOXY INSPECTOR. HE THINKS WE HAVE TO BLOW UP THE HOLES FIRST."

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WRIGHT ENGINEERS HOT FIRM 2005

Management consulting and research firm ZweigWhite has identified the 100 fastest-growing U.S. architecture, engineering, and environmental consulting firms for its annual ranking, The Zweig Letter Hot Firm List. This annual list features the design and environmental firms that have outperformed the economy and competitors to become industry leaders.



Wright Engineers earned the number-seventeen spot on the national list. Wright and the other Hot Firms will be recognized at a special reception and dinner hosted by ZweigWhite and Deltek Systems at The Zweig Letter Hot Firm Celebration & Conference, to be held October 26-28, 2005, in Chicago.

Mark Zweig, publisher of The Zweig Letter, says, "The firms that made this year's Hot Firm List should be proud. Committing to growth is the only option for architecture, engineering, planning, and environmental consulting firms that want to sustain themselves over the long term. The hottest firms in the business those that are sustaining fast growth and consistently outperforming the economy are the ones that attract talented staff and coveted clients."

Zweig-White is the nation's leading source of management consulting, information, and education for the design and construction industry.

EXPANSIVE SOIL FOUNDATION SOLUTION

As developers run out of good soil to build on, much of the remaining land is in areas where varying degrees of marginal soil is prevalent. To address this issue, Wright Engineers has teamed with Pacific Housing Systems, Inc. to develop a raised post-tension slab foundation system designed especially for expansive soils found in and around the Las Vegas, Southern California and Phoenix areas.



The innovative new design includes a monolithic concrete pour over a void material anchored in the ground with rotary installed helical steel anchors called Winslow Geo Anchor™. This system has been shown to reduce building cycle-time and curtail future warranty issues. Pacific Housing Systems (PHS) has installed thousands of these foundations in California over the past 12 years with a zero failure rate.

"The Winslow Geo Anchor foundation system is a strategic alternative for developing expansive soil sites," says Daniel Bartlett of Wright Engineers. "There is a real potential for overall project cost savings in using this system."



In addition to the Winslow Geo Anchor raised post-tension system, another PHS foundation solution for expansive soil conditions is the WAFFLEMAT, an innovative foundation forming system in a waffle design. WAFFLEMAT has been used in California in over six million square feet of living area.

For more information, contact Wright Engineers or visit pacifichousingsystems.com.

*"As long as you're going to be thinking anyway, think big."
-Donald Trump*



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