

2013 3M-ACRS Diamond Road Safety Award Winner

Hay Point Expansion Stage 3 Winner Announcement

A Queensland mining project, the Hay Point Expansion Stage 3 (HPX3) Project, has won the prestigious 3M-ACRS Diamond Road Safety Awards at this year's Australasian College of Road Safety (ACRS) conference in Adelaide. The BHP Billiton Mitsubishi Alliance (BMA) Team won the accolade on Thursday night, 7 November 2013, at the ACRS conference dinner attended by around 200 road safety professionals and specialists from Australasia. Team leader Vince Powell from the HPX3 project accepted the award on behalf of the 5-member project team.

ACRS National President Mr Lauchlan McIntosh said the calibre of this year's entries was exceptional. "This again demonstrates the valuable contribution that many road safety projects are making to reducing unnecessary deaths and injuries from road crashes."

"The actions of the Hay Point Expansion Stage 3 (HPX3) Project team have had a direct impact on the safety of all workers and the general community who use the Hay Point Road. This project has been instrumental in building collaborative partnerships between its members and leading agencies such as the International Road Assessment Program (iRAP) relating to the safe transport of workers and all who use these public roads. It is an excellent example of a company making a major contribution to public road safety."

"It is important to note that there is great potential for transferability/replication of the program across many regions. The 3M ACRS Award will increase the profile of the project and encourage others to use the concepts."



3M-ACRS Diamond Road Safety Award presentation

From left: Agota Berces (3M), Chris Frost, Jarrod Erbs and Vince Powell from BHPB, Claire Howe (ACRS Executive Officer), and Lauchlan McIntosh (ACRS President)



Vince Powell, Team leader from BHPB, accepting the award

Due to the high calibre of entries, a Highly Commended award was given to the City of Wanneroo for the initiative shown in committing to working towards the VISION ZERO approach to road safety injuries on the Council's road network. Judges again felt this was a highly transferable project, and one which the College would be proud to support into the future.

Watch the [Youtube Video introducing the 2013 Award](#) here.

This year there were 18 finalists across Australia striving to win the 3M-ACRS Diamond Road Safety Award. Other valuable programs covered indigenous training, learner driver mentors, seat belts on school buses, educational and audit programs, roadside driver drug testing, the Fatality Free Friday campaign, truck emergency breakdown procedures, road awareness programs, and a heavy vehicle initiative to name a few.

The team leader from the winning project will travel to the USA to attend America's largest road safety conference in San Antonio, Texas, and 3M Headquarters in Minnesota to learn about 3M's innovation in road safety next February 2014.