Keeping theme parks clean, safe

Universal Studios has awarded CH2M HILL a third global master services agreement. Through this “on-call” contract, the firm will help Universal maintain a clean and safe environment at all Universal theme parks, movie production studios, movie locations, Wet ‘n’ Wild theme parks, and CD manufacturing facilities worldwide.

By all accounts, CH2M HILL employees have enjoyed working at Universal facilities in California, Florida and Spain, making suggestions to improve health and safety. Most notable was a project supporting the making of volcano movies in Hollywood several years ago. Staff had to convince authorities to allow the building of a working volcano in the Los Angeles area—no easy task.

"Personally, I like going to the movie studio at corporate headquarters and going to lunch in the cafeteria, which is always full of big-time actors and directors, often in costume, having their lunch break during movie shoots," said Jon Harris, client service manager.

CH2M HILL is being considered for work at Universal’s new facility in Shanghai, China, and recently improved the water park at Port Aventura, Spain. Universal also has a theme park in Osaka, Japan, and will be building new facilities in Europe and China.

CH2M HILL wins two Grand Awards

American Academy of Environmental Engineers, the largest professional association of its type, has awarded CH2M HILL two Grand Awards. Both projects are Oregon-based. The firm’s site master plan for the Tri-City Water Pollution Control Plant in Clackamas County won in the Planning category. The McMinnville Riverbend Landfill Drip Irrigation Leachate Reuse System won in the Small Projects category.

CH2M HILL developed a poplar tree farm to beneficially irrigate leachate to poplar trees, thereby satisfying water and nutrient demands. Client George Duvendack said, “By all measures, the project has been a success because of the individuals dedicated to the project, and their professionalism.”

"Without commitment, you will certainly accomplish the ordinary.”

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