



# ACHEN-GARDNER CONSTRUCTION

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## Celebrating Employee Ownership

**Achen-Gardner Construction is a 100% employee-owned ESOP** (Employee Stock Ownership Plan), meaning every employee-owner has a vested interest in the success of each project that they are working on.

October is National Employee Ownership Month, and we highlighted why we love being an ESOP with some fun videos, games, and educational resources for our current and prospective employee-owners.

Our ESOP includes Achen-Gardner Construction (Arizona), Emery Sapp & Sons (Missouri and Arkansas), Hutchens Construction (Missouri and Arkansas), Premier Testing Laboratories (Missouri), and our newest addition, Rummel Construction (Arizona). In total, more than 2,600 employee-owners across two regions are working together under our ESOP. [Visit our website for more ESOP information.](#)

## Welcome Rummel Construction!

We are excited to share that our parent company, Emery Sapp, has welcomed Rummel Construction, Inc. (Rummel) into our family! This partnership brings together a group of premier civil construction firms whose values, goals, and entrepreneurial spirit align exceptionally well. [Visit our blog for more information.](#)







## Chandler Heights Update

We are working on improvements in the intersection of Arizona Avenue and Chandler Heights Road as part of the multi-phased **Chandler Heights Utility Relocations CMAR** project. We worked to reduce the impact on the traveling public as we installed a 12" sewer main and two manhole bases during a weekend traffic closure. [Visit our website for more project information and photos.](#)



## New Reservoir

The Town of Carefree's new 300,000-gallon pre-stressed concrete reservoir is nearing completion. Our crews are currently backfilling the reservoir, which will be covered in natural desert landscaping except for the top eight feet of the side facing Tom Darlington Drive. This work is being completed as part of our **Carefree Water Consolidation CMAR** project. [Visit our website for more project information and photos.](#)



## Conference Wrap-Up

Our Achen-Gardner team had a great time talking with everyone at the "Everyday Superhero" themed **Arizona Conference on Roads & Streets** on September 28-30<sup>th</sup> at the Hilton El Conquistador Tucson. We showcased roadway and wet utility projects and handed out fun and useful giveaways including our new comic book! [Check out our Achen-Gardner comic book to see how our everyday superheroes build award-winning projects.](#)



## I-17 Project Update

We are making progress on the Arizona Department of Transportation **I-17 Dunlap Avenue to Deer Valley Road Pavement Rehabilitation** project. Achen-Gardner is working with Emery Sapp & Sons (ESS) to remove the existing asphalt pavement and repair the existing concrete pavement. Crews will also be diamond grinding existing concrete pavement to provide a smooth roadway surface. [Visit our website for more information.](#)

*Achen-Gardner is a local, employee-owned firm and a member of a nationwide family of contractors, of which ESS is the flagship.*

## New Project

We were recently selected to provide pre-construction and construction services for the City of Chandler's **Detroit Basin/ Gazelle Meadows Park Storm System & Associated Improvements CMAR** project. We look forward to working on this exciting project with the City of Chandler and Entellus.