

Equipment Operator of the Year

Dennis Cook

The City of Waco Street Division nominates Dennis Cook for the Equipment Operator of the Year for 2009. Dennis has been employed with the City of Waco for 13 years and 11 months. He is knowledgeable and proficient in virtually every piece of equipment that the Street Department owns, including the following:

- Concrete Truck
- Dump Truck
- Pug Truck
- Asphalt Laydown Machine
- Backhoe
- Crack Sealers
- Rollers
- Scan Road
- Grader
- Water Truck
- Concrete Cutting Saws
- Small Equipment (hand tools)

Dennis also has the ability to train others and is always willing to assist in anyway possible for the success of both our employees and department.

He is willing to train the new hires within our department or those that are being trained to learn another job due to changes within the department.

During the fall of 2009, we had major changes within our department and we knew who to rely on training the employees for their new assigned job in operating different equipment. Not only did Dennis assist in training others, but also had to learn his new assigned job, Concrete Operations. As an example, he trained other operators on Asphalt Maintenance (lay down machine) and Base Failure Operations (placing cement stabilized base and backhoe operation).

Dennis has set an example to others as shown by his record of continuing education, training and safety courses, and awards:

- Bridge Maintenance, 2009
- Texas Department of Transportation Planning Work Zone Traffic Control, 2008
- Confined Space & Trench Safety Training, 2007
- Advanced Microsoft Excel, 2005
- Excavation Safety, 2005

- Certificate of Appreciation –2009
- “Thank You Certificate”, 2009
- Certificate of Recognition, Teamwork Award, 2008
- Certificate of Acknowledgement, 2009
- Great Job Certificate
- Employee of the Month Award
 - February 2007
 - May 2006
 - April 2002

Dennis Cook is a model-employee who is always willing to help and help others become successful in their job duties, he sets the importance of teamwork, and sets quality leadership that employees respect and appreciate. We believe that Dennis Cook is truly worthy of receiving this award for setting the example that the City of Waco looks for in an employee.

TEXAS ENGINEERING EXTENSION SERVICE

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Dennis L. Cook

has successfully completed

Bridge Maintenance

AWARDED OCT 3 0 2009

8 Hours

July 15 - 16, 2009

Continuing Education Units Earned .80

[Signature]
Gary F. Sera, Director
Texas Engineering Extension Service

Ralph Banks, Instructor
Waco, TX

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Dan Gray, Executive Division Director



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Transportation Training and Services

Certificate of Completion

awarded to

Dennis Cook


in recognition of participation in

Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT)
Planning Work Zone Traffic Control

OCT210

January 29-30, 2008

Location: Waco, Texas
Training Hours: 16.00


Assistant Vice President
Division for Enterprise Development

Certificate of Attendance

Awarded to

Dennis Cook


Confined Space & Trenching Safety Training
4 Hours

Presented by


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Les Horne, Loss Prevention Manager

9-27-08
Date


Instructor

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Phillip B. Hayes
Executive Director & CEO

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*The Texas A&M University System
Texas Engineering Extension Service
Engineering, Utilities and Public Works Training Institute*

Dennis L. Cook
has attended
Excavation Safety

June 29, 2005
Continuing Education Units Earned .80

Don Hart
Engineering, Utilities and Public Works Training Institute
Texas Engineering Extension Service

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Robert J. Smith
Director, Texas Engineering Extension Service

CERTIFICATION OF APPRECIATION



THIS CERTIFICATE IS AWARDED TO

Dennis Cook

FOR THE HARD WORK AND DEDICATION OF THE
REPAIR ON PRIMROSE CREEK

*City of Ukiah
Street Division*

STEVE VOILES,
PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR

Steve Voiles

KENNETH FICKEL,
OPERATIONS SUPERVISOR

Kenneth Fickel

THANK YOU!

Presented to

Dennis Cook

*For a job well done extending
Rose Street*

City of Waco
Street Division

Ron LeMay
Operations Supervisor
Ron LeMay
Date 5-21-89

Steve Volles
Program Administrator
Steve Volles
Date 5/21/89

City of Waco Employee Recognition Award



CITY OF WACO

DENNIS COOK

STREET'S TEAM

2008

**TEAMWORK AWARD
(GROUP A)**

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Larry D. Groth'.

Larry D. Groth, City Manager

CERTIFICATE OF
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

This certificate is awarded to

DENNIS COOK

For your participation in a job well done at St. Louis Alley

CITY OF WACO
STREET DIVISION

Ronald Kelly
Ron LeMay
Operations
Supervisor
Date 5-21-09

Steve Volles
Steve Volles
Program
Administrator
Date 5/21/09

GREAT JOB



Dennis Cook

Thank you for your Hard Work and a Job Well Done on the
upgrade of the Street Dept. yard

Ron LeMay

Ron LeMay, Operations Supervisor

Steve Voiles

Steve Voiles, Program Administrator

	Cook, Dennis		
	Training	Student	
7:30-8:30	Instruct Backhoe	Germain	BMI
8:30-9:00	Instruct Backhoe	Reyes	John R. Reyes
9:00-9:30	Instruct Backhoe	Torres	C. Torres
9:30-10:00	Break		
10:00-10:30	Instruct Backhoe	Segrate	J. Degrate
10:30-11:00	Instruct Backhoe	Thompson	
11:00-11:30	Instruct Backhoe	Middlebrook	DM
Lunch			
12:30-1:00	Instruct Backhoe	Butler JR.	Jack Butler
1:00-1:30	Backhoe Rodeo	Sulak	John Sulak Vicente Rodriguez
1:30-2:00	Instruct Backhoe	Rodriguez	
2:00-2:30	Instruct Backhoe	Watts	Watts
2:30-3:00	Break		
3:00-3:30	Calculating Material-Trng Room	Voiles	St. V. Voiles

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From: [Kristina M. Ramirez](#)
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Subject: Central Texas Branch Support of Chapter Field Award Nominations
Date: Friday, January 15, 2010 2:44:26 PM

Linda:

Please accept this email as an official letter of support from the Central Texas Branch for the following field award applications:

Field Excellence Award – City of Waco Street Division
In-House Project of the Year – City of Waco Street Division
Equipment Operator of the Year – City of Killeen, Keith Farber
Equipment Operator of the Year – City of Waco, Dennis Cook

Each of these applicants has shown true dedication to the field of Public Works and would be good examples for other Public Works professionals.

Sincerely,

Kristina Ramirez
2010 Central Texas Branch President