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### ***2003 Engineering Excellence Award Winner Announced Outstanding Arizona Public Works and Private Sector Projects Recognized***

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October 2003—Phoenix, AZ—Entellus, Inc. received top honors for its entry of the project “Broadway Road Drainage Improvements: Turning the less than ordinary into...Extraordinary!” This project was submitted to the ACEC of Arizona in the category of “Transportation.” Entellus was pleased to celebrate this honor with the City of Mesa, the project’s owner and Entellus’ client.

To say that Broadway Road was an ordinary street is an inadequate description—it was a liability. A large drainage channel running down the middle of the roadway created an unsafe condition—literally, “an accident waiting to happen.” The City of Mesa made the decision to remove the liability of this open channel and contacted Entellus to provide a design solution for a new drainage facility. Entellus provided the City with a design concept, final design, and full construction administration services through a new state-of-the-art, aesthetically pleasing, multimodal transportation corridor.

By leveraging its understanding of the City of Mesa’s needs through its long-term service relationship, Entellus provided the City of Mesa with a finished product that transformed a liability into an extraordinary asset. This project provided the City of Mesa with the following:

- Preserved essential drainage capacity within an already developed urban environment.
- Provided reduced overall risk to the City of Mesa by completely eliminating a historical inherited safety hazard.
- Optimized use of existing right-of-way (No new right-of-way required!).
- Increased level of service for vehicular, pedestrian and cycling modes of transportation.
- Leveraged knowledge and understanding developed from a long-term relationship between the client and consultant.
- Provided enhanced quality of life for all entities adjacent to the roadway corridor.

Entellus was able to take a problem area and turn it into an amazing roadway corridor. They were able to incorporate the City's needs to fix other issues in-situ, providing "cradle to grave" services, which included not only design, but also full construction administration. The project was completed at nearly \$750,000 under budget and not only met the goals of the owner and client, but was completed within the time constraint so as not to negatively impact the local community.

The litmus test of client satisfaction is repeat business. Entellus continues to provide the City of Mesa with design services on other projects. So long as they are given the opportunity to serve their clients on projects such as Broadway Road, Entellus relishes the opportunity to turn the less than ordinary into...Extraordinary!