

H. R. LABOUNTY SAFETY AWARD PROGRAM NOMINATION FORM



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Agency: Vista Irrigation District

Name of Employee Nominated: Oscar Chavez

Job Classification: Welder II

Reason for Nomination: Design/Build of a Shoring Test Station

Oscar realized that the District needed a way to reduce shoring repair turnaround time. District field staff have been trained by the manufacturer to make routine repairs on vertical aluminum shoring; however, there was no way to test the repairs and/or maintenance that staff had performed on the equipment before using it in the field. Realizing the need to test the shoring equipment before use, Oscar created a shoring repair/testing bench. The repair/testing bench aids in the following:

- performing basic repairs in a safe and secure manner
- allows for cylinder pressure testing
- allows for checking of seals and other hydraulic system leaks
- allows the District to maintain an adequate shoring inventory

The District applauds Oscar for taking the initiative to create this repair/test bench as it enhances our employees understanding of shoring materials and ensures that the shoring used in the field is maintained at a high standard and will keep our employees safe in the trenches. Please see photographs on the next page.

Nominated by: Frank Wolinski, Operations & Field Services Manager

Date: September 19, 2016

General Manager: Eldon Boone

Signature: Eldon Boone **Date:** 10/4/16

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