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## **Kimberley Project wins Regional Building Award**

**Ri-Con Contractors has won the Best Regional Building project at the Master Builders – Bankwest Excellence in Construction Awards in 2009 for its construction work on the Home Valley Station located in the East Kimberley.**

Ri-Con Contractors was contracted by the Indigenous Land Corporation for a major design and upgrade of the Home Valley cattle station, which was completed in two phases.

Phase 1 included building a new workshop, stables, two camp ablution areas, twenty-three staff accommodation units and eighteen holiday cabins. Phase 2 involved the construction of twenty seven guest units, an art gallery and conference room, a manager's house, a commercial kitchen, two commercial swimming pools and a restaurant and bar.

In spite of the region having one of the worst wet seasons in years, the project was handed over on time.

Master Builders' Director, Mr Michael McLean, congratulated Ri-Con Contractors for winning the best Regional Building Project for 2009.

"Ri-Con Contractors have been impressive with their exceptional level of professionalism in all areas of building construction. Their work on the Home Valley Station epitomized the traditional skills of a master builder in a challenging environment."

"It is great to see such quality builders being recognized for the exceptional quality of their construction work. The versatility and willingness to complete jobs in Australia's most remote areas and islands have allowed Ri-Con Contractors to become a great resource to people located outside metropolitan regions," Mr McLean said.

The Master Builders Bankwest Excellence in Construction Awards showcase the quality of construction in the areas of structure, external finishes, services, internal finishes and civil works. Other areas considered by a panel of six independent judges were time management, value for money, innovation, site management, form and function.

The awards were presented at a gala function held at the Perth Convention Exhibition Centre on July 4<sup>th</sup> attended by a crowd of over 620 industry representatives and guests.

There were a record number of entries in 2009 that covered work valued more than \$1.5 billion, reflecting a strong commercial construction market across metropolitan and regional areas of the state.

Most of the WA winners will compete in the national Master Builders awards in Canberra on 7 November 2009.

For a full list of results please visit the Master Builders website at [www.mbawa.com](http://www.mbawa.com).

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