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all 106,000 square feet of it. Using its Sienderwall system of precast panels detailed with brick and limestone finishes, Smith-Midland created a look that blends in perfectly with the surrounding neighborhood. The panels at the top of the building are load-bearing to accommodate the roof loadings. In addition to the cost and time savings, the use of Slenderwall panels allowed for significantly upgraded architectural detailing at an economical price.

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## CUP Awards Showcase Possibilities of Precast

One look at the winning projects in the 2007 Creative Use of Precast award program shows the almost infinite range of possibilities for designing and building with precast concrete products. The CUP awards were presented Feb. 9 at NPCA's Salute to Excellence during MCPX and the Winter Conference in Denver, An independent panel of precast experts judged the entries in Above Ground and Underground categories.

This year's winning projects range from a luxury highrise apartment complex to a tornado shelter for a mobile home in the Above Ground category, and from a sewer diversion that protects a fish habitat to a double three-sided box culvert bridge design in the Underground category. Here's a summary of the winning projects:

## Above Ground Category

First Place
Smith-Midland Corp.
Jefferson at Inigo's Crossing
Jefferson at Inigo's Crossing is a luxury apartment complex that is strong,
functional and cost-effective with the exterior clad entirely with precast concrete -

