

## **PRESS RELEASE**

## Winter Johnson Group Completes Scaly Slimy Spectacular Amphibian & Reptile Experience facility at Zoo Atlanta

(April 1, 2015) ATLANTA, GA - Winter Johnson Group, a joint venture between Winter Construction and Johnson Construction Services has completed construction of Zoo Atlanta's new Amphibian and Reptile facility, Scaly, Slimy, Spectacular. The new \$18 million,14,000 square foot exhibit, was successfully completed in 18 months.

The Scaly, Slimy, Spectacular facility includes a 45-foot tall iconic glass dome that houses more than 70 species and features 60,000 gallons of aquatic exhibits, including a crocodile waterfall exhibit, and approximately 9,700 square feet of custom-designed rockwork throughout.

Due to the complex nature of the design which includes a curved curtainwall dome structure, the Winter Johnson team used BIM software, Autodesk Revit® and Navisworks®, to provide a detailed digital model for better coordination with the architect, subcontractors and Zoo Atlanta. Early on, the project team was able to anticipate and resolve several design conflicts working from the complete digital model in the preconstruction phase.

All work was completed in close proximity to zoo animals, requiring extra safety precautions and adherence to special requirements for the well being of the Zoo animals.

The exhibit opens to the public on April 2, 2015.

## About Winter Johnson Group:

Winter Johnson Group, a joint venture, is comprised of Winter Construction, a privately owned and operated Atlanta-based construction management and general contracting company and Johnson Construction services, a minority-owned contracting company in Atlanta. Winter Johnson Group provides construction and environmental services to clients in the hospitality, retail, government, education, corporate/office, religious, healthcare, historic restoration, industrial and multifamily markets in the Southeast and Mid-Atlantic. For more information visit: www.winterjohnsongroup.com

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