

NJ ASPHALT PAVEMENT ASSOCIATION

NEWSLETTER

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We continue our commitment to inform our members about important industry news and issues. To that end, we welcome story contributions, member highlights, and any suggestions to include newsworthy information.

Please contact Stacey Lindenmuth, staceyl@njapa.com, in the Association office if you have any press releases, company news or other information you would like to share with the Association.

NJDOT Releases Roadway System Report

NJDOT has released their Annual Report to the Governor and Legislature on New Jersey's Roadway System. This report is mandated by State Law to be completed annually and provides a wide-range of pavement related data. The most recent version of the report is [linked here](#).

Legislation to Require Use of Glass in Asphalt Mixes Introduced

Senator Bob Smith (D-17) has recently introduced Senate Bill 4145 which requires the use of glass in asphalt mixtures for NJDOT projects. The bill has been reviewed by both the NJAPA Technical Committee and the NJAPA Environmental Committee. The consensus from both groups was that while NJAPA has no objection to the use of glass in asphalt pavements broadly, the material has not been used in NJ for many years for a variety of reasons. Further the legislation as written raises a number of questions including definitions of waste glass and fine asphalt mixtures, who would be responsible for having the material approved as an aggregate and included on the State Qualified Products List, and how would the State determine availability and pricing of the material as a component of a larger bid package as

required by the bill. It was also noted that glass has a tendency to attract vermin and create a foul odor.

In addition, should the State want to require use of an inexpensive, readily available, and proven material for use in asphalt production, it is the position of NJAPA that they should be working to increase RAP percentages rather than adding requirements for the use of recycled glass. To review Senate Bill 4145 [click here](#).

NJDOT Establishes New Tack Sampling Procedure

NJAPA in concert with UTCA have been working on the issue of Tack Coat failures for the last several years. NJDOT has advised industry that the pass rate for tack coat has improved significantly however there are still occasional failures. It is the position of NJDOT that Tack Coat is a critical component of bond strength and bond strength in turn is a critical indicator of pavement life. NJAPA and UTCA have been working to develop a fair and measured procedure to resolve issues involving Tack Coat failure, short of removing and replacing the pavement section. We will update the industry as this issue progresses, please see the newly established Sampling Process [HERE](#).

NJDOT Provides Updated Project List

NJDOT has recently provided the NJAPA with an updated list of upcoming projects planned for bidding. Please review the list [HERE](#).

CONEXPO-CON/AGG 2020 Returns to Las Vegas

Don't miss the opportunity to attend this major construction industry conference **March 10-14, 2020** in Las Vegas. To register for the event, [click here](#).

NJAPA Holiday Luncheon Supports Scholarship Fund for NJAPA Member Families. Register, Donate and Support Today !!!

The NJAPA Holiday Luncheon will be held on Thursday, December 5, 2019 at the Galloping Hill Golf Course, Kenilworth, NJ. Our luncheon speaker will be award-winning illusionist and comic magician Jared Sherlock. We will also be accepting raffle prizes. Proceeds for the luncheon will benefit the NJAPA's William Abbott Scholarship. Each year the association awards numerous scholarships to deserving students who are directly related to NJAPA members.

To donate a raffle prize, [click here](#) or to sponsor the luncheon speaker, [click here](#) and to register [click here](#). If you have any questions, please contact Stacey Lindenmuth in the NJAPA office at (609) 838-1867 or email her at staceyl@njapa.com

NJAPA Members Tour Rowan CREATEs, Receive Update on Cutting Edge Asphalt Technology Research

The Center for Research and Education in Advanced Transportation Engineering Systems (CREATEs) at Rowan University recently hosted the NJAPA Producer's Council for a Research Update and Facility Tour.

Rowan University is actively researching a wide range of topics with potential long-term impact on our industry including work on High RAP Mixes using Rejuvenators, Evaluation of Flexible Overlays on Composite Pavements, Semi-Circular Bend Test for NJDOT, and Pavement Preservation Strategies Using Pavement ME Design.

Rowan University has been an extraordinary partner to the industry as well as an important economic engine for Southern NJ. Should you wish to tour the facility or learn more about their programs, please contact the Association office.

Save the Date for these Important Industry Events

NJAPA Holiday Luncheon- December 5, 2019

NJAPA Board of Directors Meeting- December 12, 2019

NAPA Annual Meeting- February 2-5, 2020

Sales Training for Construction Materials- March 5, 2020

NJAPA Paving Conference- March 19, 2020

NJAPA Awards Dinner- May 7, 2020