

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, <u>staceyl@njapa.com</u>, in the Association office if you have any press releases, company news or other information you would like to share with the Association.

NJDOT Commissioner Tours TilconNY- Mount Hope Facility

NJDOT Commissioner Diane Gutierrez-Scaccetti recently toured the TilconNY Mount Hope quarry and asphalt production facility. Commissioner Gutierrez was joined by Deputy Commissioner Joe Bertoni on the visit which included a productive meeting with NJAPA Executive Committee members. Our discussions focused on efforts to increase recycled content in asphalt mixes as well as the outlook for New Jersey's Capital Program and planned Paving Program for Fiscal Year 2023.

NJAPA thanks the Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner for making time to meet and to see our facilities in operation first hand. NJAPA often arranges facility tours for policy makers as it allows them to see first-hand the challenges and complexities our members manage on a daily basis and also provides a better understanding of the value of our industry to the economy, the environment and quality of life in New Jersey.



Women of Asphalt Branch Established for New Jersey

The Women of Asphalt is a national organization which strives to advance and support women in the asphalt industry and has invaluable benefits to be had including connecting with women around the country working in various positions within the asphalt community, mentoring programs, networking events within your state and at World of Asphalt, and employment leads.

NJ has recently established a Women of Asphalt Branch. We will be holding our inaugural event on Thursday, October 20, 2022 at TopGolf in Edison, NJ. Join us for 2 hours of unlimited TopGolf, conversation, buffet, beer and wine. The New Jersey Asphalt Pavement Association is sponsoring

this event so there is no cost to attend. However, space is limited and advanced registration is required. For more details about our event please click <u>HERE</u>.

For more information about Women of Asphalt, please visit <u>www.womenofasphalt.org</u>

Please contact Stacey Lindenmuth in the NJAPA office at staceyl@njapa.com to register for the event.

NJAPA Holiday Luncheon Sponsorship Opportunity/Donate a Raffle Prize

The NJ Asphalt Pavement Association is planning our Annual Holiday Luncheon scheduled for Thursday, December 1, 2022 at the Galloping Hill Golf Course in Kenilworth, NJ. Proceeds of the luncheon benefit the NJAPA William Abbott Memorial Scholarship Fund.

The Scholarship Fund provides financial assistance to approximately 30 NJAPA member families every year. Your support is critical to continuing this important effort.

We are asking NJAPA members to assist in sponsoring our program which will help fully fund our annual Scholarship program. Please <u>click here</u> for the sponsorship form.

Also, we are asking our members to donate a raffle prize or make a monetary contribution to the raffle. Monetary contributions will be used by the Association to purchase additional raffle prizes. Deadline to donate a raffle prize is Friday, November 25, 2022. Please <u>click here</u> for the raffle prize form.

If you have any questions, please contact Stacey Lindenmuth at staceyl@njapa.com or call her in the Association office at (609) 838-1867.

Thank you for your support!

CIAP Career Fair

On January 11, 2023, the Construction Industry Advancement Program will hold its 21st Annual Career Fair for civil engineering, engineering studies, construction management and construction engineering technology students who have been selected into the CIAP internship/scholarship program. CIAP is looking for employers to participate in this event who are interested in hiring interns to work in the tri-state area for the summer of 2023. Your firm must be a contributing member of CIAP to participate in the Career Fair. The Career Fair will be held at Forsgate Country Club, Monroe Twp., NJ.

If your firm is looking to take advantage of this valuable resource and participate in the Career Fair, please complete the <u>registration form</u> and email to <u>jschiff@accnj.org</u> or fax to (732) 225-3105. There is no cost to attend this event. If you have any questions or are unable to attend the Career Fair but have an interest in hiring summer interns, please contact Jill Schiff at (732) 225-2265 or <u>jschiff@accnj.org</u>.

NJAPA Continues to Promote Increased Recycling for Asphalt Mixes

In our ongoing effort to increase opportunities for use of recycled materials, NJAPA staff and members have held numerous discussions with legislators, local elected officials, engineering groups and other stakeholders. As part of this outreach effort we have developed a one page infographic which outlines the benefits of recycled asphalt. You can access the infographic HERE.

NJDOT Announces Material Escalation Grants for Small Business

Recently passed legislation created a Small Business Grant program for NJDOT contractors, subcontractors, and material suppliers to submit applications for material escalation costs.

The following are the Grant Program eligibility requirements:

- · NJDOT projects bid before April 1, 2020
- · Materials purchased or invoiced after March 1, 2020
- · Experienced an increase of 5% or more
- \cdot Registered in New Jersey as an SBE firm \cdot Grant recipients must be registered with NJ Start https://www.njstart.gov/bso/.

The Grant program will remain open for 90 days with the potential of an additional 30-day period pending availability of funds. You can learn more about this program at <u>Grant Application and Agreement</u> (state.nj.us)

National Asphalt Pavement Association Promotes Road Forward Initiative

The Road Forward: A Vision for Net Zero Carbon Emissions for the Asphalt Pavement Industry – A member driven and expert-defined research and implementation road map, calls on the U.S. asphalt community to advance technologies, products, and processes to achieve Scope 1, 2, and 3 net zero carbon emissions by 2050. The direction set forth in The Road Forward conforms to the basic ideas of the Paris Agreement as well as the findings of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change.

"This is one mission and one vision for the entire industry to point us where we need to go to proactively lower emissions and accelerate beyond the industry's past efforts in environmental stewardship and sustainability," NAPA Vice President of Engineering has stated.

You can learn more about this important initiative by visiting <u>Climate - National Asphalt Pavement</u> Association

New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory Commission Issues Guidance for Workplaces

The New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory Commission has issued guidance for workplaces as a first step towards formulating and approving standards for Workplace Impairment Recognition Expert certifications.

The guidance and "Reasonable Suspicion Observation Report Form" issued by NJ-CRC is meant to support employers right to create and maintain safe work environments, and to affirm employees' right to due process.

Among other things, the guidance iterates that employees cannot be acted against solely due to the

presence of cannabis in their body, that but employers have the right to drug test on reasonable suspicion of impairment.

The New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory Commission establishes and enforces the rules and regulations governing the licensing, cultivation, testing, selling, and purchasing of cannabis in the state. You can access the guidance document <u>HERE</u>

Registration Now Open for Con-Expo

CONEXPO/CON/AGG, North America's largest construction trade show is back on March 14-18, 2023 in Las Vegas. Don't miss your chance to meet the people who make the machines, compare equipment, and build long-lasting relationships in the construction community.

Tickets are now on sale. Please <u>click here</u> to register.

Upcoming Meetings and Events

October 19, 2022 - NJSAT Dinner, Pines Manor, Edison, NJ - click here to register

October 20, 2022 - Women of Asphalt Meeting, TopGolf, Edison, NJ - click here to register

December 1, 2022 - NJAPA Holiday Luncheon, Galloping Hill Golf Course, Kenilworth, NJ - <u>click</u> <u>here</u> to sponsor the luncheon and/or c<u>lick here</u> to donate a raffle prize

February 5 - 8, 2023 - NAPA 2023 Annual Meeting, Loews Miami Beach, Miami, FL

March 7, 2023 - NJ Asphalt Paving Conference, Forsgate Country Club, Jamesburg, NJ

March 14 - 18, 2023 - CONEXPO-CON/AGG - Las Vegas, NV - click here to register

Contact the NJAPA office if you have any questions. (609) 838-1867

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