

NJ ASPHALT PAVEMENT ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

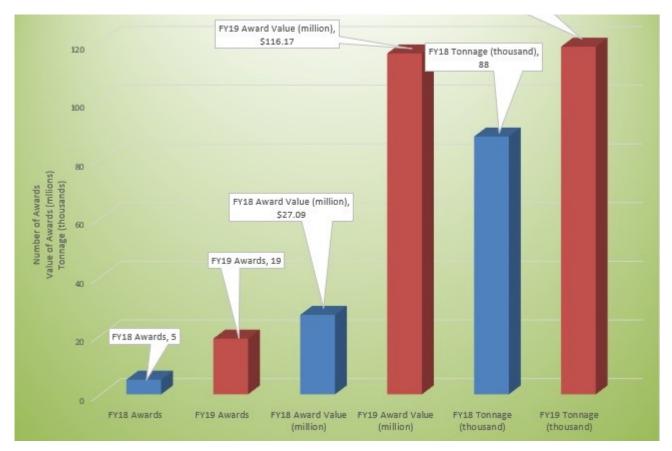
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We continue our commitment to inform our members about important industry news and issues. To that end, we welcome story contributions, member highlights, and any suggestions to include newsworthy information.

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 Finishes Fiscal Year 2018 with Flurry of Paving Projects First Quarter of FY19 Even Stronger

At the end of the 2018 fiscal year (June 30th), NJDOT had awarded 87 projects worth \$626.7 million. While the overall NJDOT expenditures were significantly less than FY17, when 127 projects worth \$1,154 million were awarded, the FY18 projects included a larger proportion of asphalt paving than prior years. The total tonnage in awarded projects in FY18 was 1.274 million, compared to FY17's 1.695 million. The FY 18 tonnage was the third highest amount in the past 5 years.



Fiscal Year 2019 has started out at the same pace as FY18 ended – NJDOT has already let and awarded a larger number of projects in the first two months than in past years. As of the end of August, NJDOT has already awarded 19 projects with bid values of \$27.09 million. 9 of these projects were let in June of FY18, while the other 10 have been let in July and August. Of special note is that NJDOT has reduced the average time to award to 17 days, with one award having been made in only 8 days.

As of the end of August, 127,000 tons of asphalt have been included in awarded projects.

Congressman Lance Tours Tilcon New York, Mount Hope Facility

Congressman Leonard Lance recently toured the Tilcon, Mount Hope Facility. Tilcon President Cliff Morris and Josh Benson, General Manager of Government/Public Relations Relations hosted the event. NJAPA Executive Director Kevin Monaco, members of the Congressman's staff and several other Tilcon employees participated. The Congressman was given a tour of the full facility, took time to speak with employees and answer questions about the current state of affairs in Washington, D.C. Congressman Lance has always been a strong supporter of our industry and has taken time to visit NJAPA member facilities numerous times.



NJAPA Discusses Project Completion Dates with NJDOT

The flurry of activity at the end of the 2018 fiscal year at NJDOT included several projects with unreasonable substantial completion dates being let. Projects that were meant to be advertised earlier in the year experienced delays for a variety of reasons, and, when they were eventually advertised, had completion dates that needed to be revised.

NJAPA staff brought these to the attention of the Department and was successful in having some of them changed. For example, one project, advertised in late June, had a substantial completion date in the end of September – NJDOT added six weeks to the schedule when this was brought to their attention. Another project was extended to be completed in the Spring of 2019.

Pavement Mix Design Challenge NE Regional Council of APA Kicks Off College Competition

The Northeast Regional Council of the Asphalt Pavement Alliance has initiated a pavement design competition for universities in the region. This competition is intended to encourage college students enrolled in engineering, materials, or construction management programs to learn more about asphalt pavements.

Teams will be required to develop mix designs based on specific criteria, such as NMAS, RAP content, and

and written and oral presentations. Winning teams will be recognized at the Northeast Asphalt User Producer Group meetings every year.

Seven universities have already agreed to participate and are actively seeking students' interest. They will also partner with local asphalt producers so the students can gain real-world experience, working with practitioners in their labs. Rowan University is one of the universities that have agreed to participate and we are hopeful that Rutgers University and others will join in.

For further details on this initiative and how to get involved, contact Jim Purcell in the NJAPA office at (609) 838-1867.

NJAPA Wins NAPA Operational Excellence Awards Recognized at NAPA Mid-Year Meeting for Thinlay Tookit and Website Design

The New Jersey Asphalt Pavement Association was recognized at the NAPA Mid-Year meeting in Boston, Massachusetts in July for its Thinlay Toolkit. Created for its members to market thin asphalt overlays as a pavement preservation technique, the toolkit includes a cover letter for transportation professionals, a position paper outlining the benefits of thin asphalt overlays, a frequently asked questions sheet, and a postcard leave-behind all in a convenient folder. As part of a marketing strategy that has national implications, NAPA recognized this brochure with an Operational Excellence Award.

NJAPA was also recognized for its website design. Redesigned with the help of Rizco, the association's marketing partner, the website was redesigned in 2016 in order to be more user-friendly and more agile. The need for more agility was driven by the push in New Jersey to support an increased motor fuels tax to support transportation infrastructure, which was followed by the advocacy for a constitutional amendment to dedicate those funds. NJAPA now has the ability to quickly modify its website to respond to issues important to asphalt paving for the benefit of its members.

To read more about the NAPA Operational Excellence Awards and about the awards given to NJAPA, visit the NAPA website at http://www.asphaltpavement.org/awards and Asphalt Pavement Magazine at https://www.asphaltpavement-digital.com/naps/july_august_2018

PLEASE SUPPORT CONGRESSMAN LEONARD LANCE

Congressman Lance (R-7) serves as a member of the House Energy & Commerce Committee and has been a long-time supporter of the NJ construction industry, and the NJ Asphalt Pavement Association.

It is absolutely critical that we support candidates for office who understand and appreciate the value of our industry to the economy, environment and quality of life in NJ. Congressman Lance is deserving of our support.

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Thank you for your support!

Save the Date

Upcoming NJAPA and Industry Events

NAPA Webinar - Impact of alternative Asphalt Binder Extenders on Asphalt Mixture Design, Production and Performance, September 11, 2018

2018 IMPACT Leadership Conference - September 12 - 14, 2018, The Madison Hotel, Washington, DC

NJAPA Executive Committee and Board of Directors Meeting - September 13, 2018, Forsgate Country Club, Jamesburg, NJ

1st International Conference on Stone Matrix Asphalt (SMA) - November 5 - 7, 2018, Westin Peachtree Plaza Hotel, Atlanta, GA

NJAPA Holiday Luncheon - December 4, 2018, Galloping Hill Country Club, Kenilworth, NJ

NAPA Annual Meeting - January 20 - 23, 2019, JW Marriott Resort Hotel, Marco Island, FL

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