



NJ ASPHALT PAVEMENT ASSOCIATION JUNE 2025 MEMBER UPDATE

NJAPA Hosts Successful Awards Dinner

More than 100 industry leaders celebrated the best paving projects of the past year at the NJAPA Annual Awards Dinner. The event was held at the Wave Resort in Long Branch, NJ. Attendees were welcomed to the event with remarks from NJ Turnpike Authority Chief Engineer Dan Hesslein. Photos from the event are available [HERE](#).



NJDOT Capital Program Update

NJDOT Continues to advance their Fiscal Year 2025 Capital Program. As of June 3, 2025 the Department has awarded 89 projects with a contract value exceeding \$900 million. This includes 24 paving projects with a value of over \$200 million. NJDOT has accepted bids on an additional 8 paving projects with a value of approximately \$70 million that have not yet been awarded and they have 5 additional paving projects currently advertised. A detailed review of the program and past years comparison is available [HERE](#).

NJAPA Continues to Engage on Key Regulatory and Legislative Issues

NJAPA keeps track of a wide range of legislative and regulatory proposals which may impact our industry. A few recent examples of our efforts in this regard include:

- **Revisions to the NJ Energy Master Plan**- working cooperatively with UTCA and an NJAPA member firm who has particular interest in this issue, we developed and submitted comments to the NJ Board of Public Utilities on proposed changes to the 2019 Energy Master Plan. Those comments are included [HERE](#).
- **Proposed Regulations on Solid Waste, Hazardous Waste and Recycling (Dirty Dirt)**- working cooperatively with NJCMA and Association Counsel K & L Gates, NJAPA also submitted comments to the NJ Department of Environmental Protection on these proposed regulations. These comments focused primarily on restrictions on storage of RAP and are available [HERE](#).
- **Proposed Legislation on Solar Financing**- NJAPA has been working with other interested parties and members of the legislature to oppose legislation recently introduced which would dramatically reduce the current payments for SRECs to solar facility investors in favor of a fixed payment with the saving being directed back to the ratepayers. This effort would undermine businesses who took a calculated financial risk while relying on a government program established to incentivize those investments in clean energy. Governor Murphy and the BPU are advocating aggressively in favor of this proposal while many and varied interest groups are opposed. The legislation can be accessed [HERE](#).

NJAPA Representatives Work Cooperatively with NJDOT Division of Materials Staff

Representatives from NJAPA met with the NJDOT Materials Division recently to review a range of topics including:

- NJAPA representatives presented an outline for a draft specification to move NJDOT to 100% Warm Mix.
- The group discussed the standardization of certain requirements for mix design and lab approval across the NJDOT Regions. NJAPA provided a list of items for NJDOT to review and consider. These included:
 - Pre-Loading of Silos
 - Requirement for Oven Hoods
 - Requirement for Two Water Baths
 - Paperwork requirements of LB325
- NJAPA requested that NJDOT review their specification for lab and mix approvals and update same to reflect current industry practice and to standardize the requirements across regions. This will be an ongoing working group with NJDOT.
- High RAP Pilot Projects and Balanced Mix Design were also discussed. NJDOT is generally satisfied with the results from the High RAP pilot projects and has additional projects planned for the current Fiscal Year.

NJDOT Revisions to High Performance Thin Overlay Mix Effective June 15, 2025

NJAPA members are reminded that NJDOT will begin implanting a revised specification for the High Performance Thin Overlay mix on projects bid on or after June 15. NJDOT provided a draft of the revisions to NJAPA and worked cooperatively with industry in the development of these changes. The Baseline Document Change is available [HERE](#).

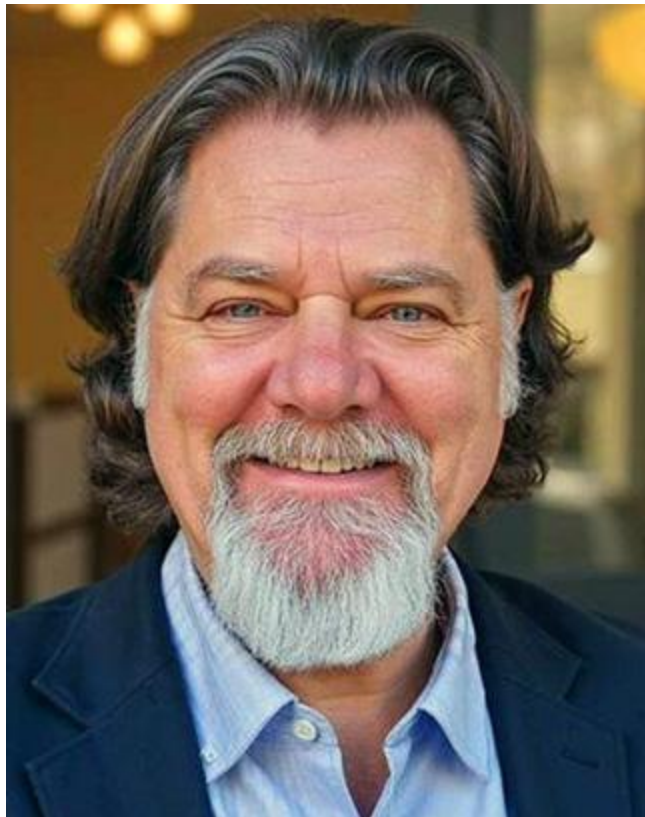
Asphalt Pavement Alliance Appoints New Executive Director

Mike Skinner, previously director of pavement engineering of the Colorado Asphalt Pavement Association, has been appointed as the new executive director for the Asphalt Pavement Alliance, effective May 27, 2025.

“It’s an honor to lead an organization built on such a strong foundation of technical excellence and collaborative industry leadership,” Skinner said. “My focus will be on bringing strategic vision and unified momentum while continuing to support the quality programs and initiatives that have made APA a trusted voice in our field. By building on that legacy, we can elevate APA’s impact and grow the value we deliver to stakeholders nationwide.”

Founded more than 20 years ago, the APA is a partnership between the National Asphalt Pavement Association (NAPA), Asphalt Institute (AI) and the State Asphalt Pavement Associations (SAPA). The partners represent the asphalt pavement and binder industries in the United States, working together in the areas of asphalt pavement promotion and pavement type selection to ensure asphalt is the pavement of choice, foster market growth and safeguard the industry’s longevity.

NJAPA has a long history of working with APA to deliver high quality educational programs for our members, the engineering community and other asphalt industry professionals in New Jersey.



NJAPA Announces William J. Abbott Scholarship Recipients

The NJ Asphalt Pavement Association is proud to announce this year's William J. Abbott Memorial Scholarship Recipients.

Jacob Bahooshian - NJAPA Member Firm Ralph Clayton & Sons
Emily Barton - NJAPA Member Firm Associated Asphalt Products
Joseph Corrigan - NJAPA Member Firm Trap Rock Industries, LLC
Briana Damoc - NJAPA Member Firm Trap Rock Industries, LLC
Dylan Matthew Hammer - NJAPA Member Firm Braen Stone
Skyler Hammer - NJAPA Member Firm Braen Stone
Ayden Iovino - NJAPA Member Firm Earle
Kelis Guzman - NJAPA Member Firm Braen Stone
Wilson Kocheck - NJAPA Member Firm Weldon Materials
Catherine Lobycz - NJAPA Member Firm Black Rock Enterprise
Katerina Miller - NJAPA Member Firm Weldon Materials
Michael Miller - NJAPA Member Firm Weldon Materials
Andrew Parisan - NJAPA Member Firm Advance Scale
James Pontari - NJAPA Member Firm Arawak Paving
Kyra Powers - NJAPA Member Firm All State Materials Group
Joseph Redmond - NJAPA Member Firm Riverside Materials
Diana Redmond - NJAPA Firm Riverside Materials
Jeremy Valverde Retana - NJAPA Firm Trap Rock Industries, LLC
Michael Rosato - NJAPA Member Firm Weldon Materials
Ava Stroh - NJAPA Member Firm Hoffman Equipment

Congratulations to all the Scholarship winners!

Don't Miss These Upcoming NJAPA Events

- July 8 - 11, 2025 - NAPA Mid-Year Meeting - Marriott Louisville Downtown, Louisville, KY
- [Click here](#) to register

- September 4, 2025 - NJAPA Executive Committee and Board of Directors Meeting - Forsgate Country Club, Jamesburg
- December 4, 2025 - NJAPA Holiday Luncheon - Forsgate Country Club, Jamesburg, NJ

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