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CALENDAR

(Always on-line [HERE](#))

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CalAPA 'Fly-in' to the State
Capitol in Sacramento
Tuesday & Wednesday,
March 5-6
Sacramento.

Contact: Russell Snyder (916)
791-5044
Register [HERE](#).

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'Asphalt Pavement 101'
class
Wednesday, March 13, 8
a.m. to noon

City of West Sacramento City
Hall Galleria, 1110 W. Capitol
Ave., West Sacramento
Contact: Sophie You (916)
791-5044
Register [HERE](#).

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CalAPA Go-Kart Racing
Networking Event
Tuesday, March 19, 5 p.m.
to 9 p.m.

K1 Speed, 5350 Ontario Mills
Pkwy, Bldg. E in Ontario
Contact: Sophie You (916)
791-5044
Register [HERE](#).

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'Asphalt Pavement 101'
class
Tuesday, March 19, 8 a.m.
to noon

University of Phoenix,
Bakersfield Campus, 4900
California Avenue, Suite

Greetings!

This weekly bulletin contains the latest news and information of interest to the asphalt pavement industry in California. Please feel free to distribute this newsletter to others who may be interested in asphalt pavements.

→ CalAPA's Go-Kart racing event March 19 in Ontario is where the rubber meets the road

Everyone knows that asphalt is the preferred surface for race tracks all around the world. Now you can get your own feel for racing at CalAPA's inaugural Go-Kart Racing event March 19 in Ontario. Details and on-line registration is [HERE](#).

This premier networking event, which is being held the day before the CalAPA Spring Asphalt Pavement Conference & Equipment Expo, is guaranteed to be fast, furious and fun. The location is the K-1 Speed facility on the site of the former Ontario Motor Speedway where racing legends Mario Andretti, A.J. Foyt and Al Unser thrilled crowds and burnished their place in racing lore.



CalAPA's Go-Kart Racing event in Ontario promises to be fast, furious and fun!

The 85,000-sq. ft. speedway is home to not one, but two indoor asphalt courses for double the occupancy and even less waiting. Track 1 offers a challenging series of technical corners, while Track 2 boasts a variety of fast and slow corners that is perfect for the novice.

CalAPA will have a reserved room with food and beverages for mingling between races. A flier for the event is [HERE](#). It is a perfect opportunity for co-workers or business associates to get-together to test their racing skills, challenge friendly rivals or just to get an unforgettable adrenaline fix without worrying about the CHP appearing in your rear-view mirror.

Space is limited and advance registration is required and must be completed on-line. The event will take place Tuesday, March 19 from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. at K1 Speed, 5350 Ontario Mills Pkwy, Bldg. E in Ontario.

The Spring Asphalt Pavement Conference & Equipment Expo begins the next day in Ontario. Details on the conference can be found [HERE](#).

The cost for this exclusive CalAPA-member event is \$99 per racer and includes two of rounds racing, food and non-alcoholic drinks (and unlimited "selfies" in your racing garb). For more information, contact Sophie You of CalAPA at (916) 791-5044. It's one night of fun, but the memories (and bragging rights) last all year long.

→ New asphalt promotional videos debut

A300, class 111, Bakersfield
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Register [HERE](#).

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'Essentials of HMA Pavement
Smoothness' class
Tuesday, March 19, 8 a.m.
to noon
National University, 9645
Granite Ridge Drive, San
Diego.
Contact: Sophie You (916)
791-5044
Register [HERE](#).

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REGISTER NOW!
Spring Asphalt Pavement
Conference & Equipment
Expo (plus optional training
classes)
Wednesday & Thursday,
March 20-21, 2019
DoubleTree Hotel, 222 N.
Vineyard Ave., Ontario
Register [HERE](#).
For exhibitor and sponsorship
information, click [HERE](#) or
contact Sophie You at (916)
791-5044

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'Essentials of HMA Paving
Smoothness' class
Tuesday, April 9, 8 a.m. to
noon
National University, 2860
Gateway Oaks Drive, Building
B, Suite 100
Sacramento, CA
Contact: Sophie You (916)
791-5044
Register [HERE](#).

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'Essentials of HMA Paving
Smoothness' class
Wednesday, April 10, 8
a.m. to noon
National University, Fresno
45 E. River Park Place West,
Suite 201, Fresno, CA
Contact: Sophie You (916)
791-5044
Register [HERE](#).

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'Essentials of HMA Paving
Smoothness' class
Thursday, April 11, 8 a.m.
to noon
National University, San Jose
Campus, 3590 N First Street,
Suite 100, San Jose, CA

Two brief promotional videos about asphalt recently made their debut on YouTube and are available for use by the asphalt pavement industry and other interested parties.

The videos are part of a broad effort by the industry to educate the public, policy-makers and others about the importance of the industry and our product to jobs, the economy and our quality of life. The videos also highlight the many sustainable and cost-effective attributes of asphalt pavements that may not be widely known or understood by the public.

A 1-minute, 17-second (1:17) video on asphalt and sustainability can be viewed [HERE](#). Another brief video focusing on performance, clocking in at 1:12, can be viewed [HERE](#).



CalAPA members are encouraged to utilize this new content in presentations and other outreach efforts.

The videos were underwritten by a consortium that includes the dues-paying members of the National Asphalt Pavement Association (NAPA), the Asphalt Institute and the State Asphalt Pavement Associations (SAPA), which includes CalAPA.

They come on the heels of previously released promotional videos that emphasize the things motorists care about, based on extensive research: smooth, quiet, safe and well-maintained roads that have sustainable attributes. Once such video, about 90 seconds in length, is [HERE](#).



Another video that takes on a serious topic, work-zone safety, was released last year and earned widespread acclaim. The 3:26 video, titled "A Moment Can Save A Life" can be viewed [HERE](#).

Numerous promotional brochures geared toward a public audience can be downloaded via the CalAPA publications web page [HERE](#). Additional brochures, info-graphics and other promotional materials are under development and be made available free to CalAPA members. For more information, contact CalAPA at (916) 791-5044.

→ CalAPA members, Bay Area air quality regulators meet to discuss improving permit processing

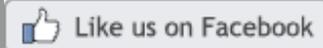
Members of the CalAPA Environmental Committee met with Bay Area air quality regulators Friday in an effort to collaborate on ways to improve permit application processing times and complexity.

The meeting was with San Francisco Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) Deputy Air Pollution Control Officer Damian Breen, the Director of the Engineering Division, Pamela J. Leong, and Engineering Division Manager Nicholas C. Maiden.

The meeting is the latest in an ongoing effort by CalAPA to engage the BAAQMD on permitting issues, including a April 5, 2018 letter to the air district formally outlining the concerns, and a May 31, 2018 teleconference with BAAQMD CEO Jack Broadbent. A previous *Asphalt Insider* story on BAAQMD engagement can be found [HERE](#).

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CHOOSE ASPHALT

Asphalt is used on about 93 percent of paved roads in California and across the U.S. Why? Because it's smooth, quiet, safe, durable and 100 percent recyclable. Visit the [Asphalt Pavement Alliance](#) website learn more about why asphalt is the right choice now more than ever.



GET TECHNICAL

Are you an engineer, designer or technical professional who makes decisions on pavement type selection? The DriveAsphalt website has technical reports and other resources may be just what you're looking for. Click [HERE](#) for more information.



At the meeting Friday CalAPA shared a white paper that outlined some of the concerns in greater detail, and offered some suggestions for improvement. The air district staff engaged in productive discussions and all parties noted many areas of common interest, including complex and frequently changing air pollution and environmental regulations, as well as work-force recruitment, retention and training challenges.

The group agreed to form an industry working group to rev iew updates to BAAQMD training materials, checklists and other guidance, and to possibly conduct joint training activities and educational asphalt plant tours.

The CalAPA Environmental Committee members who attended the meeting at the BAAQMD headquarters office in San Francisco included: Scott Taylor with Taylor Environmental Services (Environmental Committee Co-Chair); Christine Williams with Granite Construction; Thomas Ferrell with Syar Industries; Matt Eala with DeSilva Gates Materials; and Mike Buckantz with Associates Environmental.



Scott Taylor (left) and Tom Ferrell at a previous meeting at the BAAQMD on April 19, 2018.

Taylor and other industry participants said afterward that the meeting was a promising first step to address industry concerns in a constructive way.

Another topic of discussion during the meeting was the Community Air Protection Program, sweeping legislation that became law in 2017 and is known by its bill number as it wound through the California Legislature: AB617.

Many industries, including the construction materials industry, are developing strategies to ensure they respond effectively to the new program, which targets communities impacted by air pollution and includes developing community advisory boards and public monitoring. Learn more about the program [HERE](#). Bay Area air quality regulators similarly want to respond effectively to the legislation. Two communities in the Bay Area, West Oakland and Richmond, have been designated as pilots for the program, the BAAQMD says.

Updates on the industry-agency collaboration will be featured in future issues of *California Asphalt Insider*. CalAPA members who wish to be added to the Environmental Committee distribution list or wish to be part of the CalAPA-BAAQMD working group should contact Russell Snyder of CalAPA at (916) 791-5044.

→ CalAPA asphalt training classes added in Bakersfield, San Diego

CalAPA has added two new asphalt classes -- in Bakersfield and San Diego -- to its upcoming schedule of offerings in March and April. Other class locations are in the Sacramento area, Fresno, San Jose and in Ontario in conjunction with the Spring Asphalt Pavement Conference.

The classes are "Asphalt Pavement 101," a good overview of all things asphalt, and "Essentials of HMA Pavement Smoothness," which

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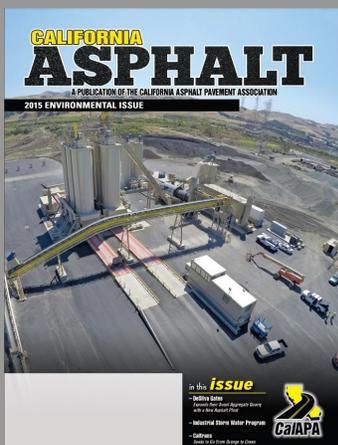
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BACK ISSUES

Did you miss an issue of the *California Asphalt Insider*? No problem! Past editions of the newsletter are available at the CalAPA newsletter [archive page](#).

MAGAZINE



CalAPA produces a highly regarded magazine, *California Asphalt*, and an annual membership directory.

To view current and past issues of the magazine, click [HERE](#). For advertising sales information, click [HERE](#) or call Kerry Hoover with Construction Marketing Services at (909) 772-3121.

STAY INFORMED

covers paving best practices, technology, and a spate of recent changes in specifications and pavement smoothness measurement and acceptance.

All upcoming CalAPA events, including classes, are listed on our on-line events calendar [HERE](#). Other training classes will be added to the calendar soon.

The half-day "Asphalt Pavement 101" class covers how asphalt pavements are designed, constructed and maintained. It is taught by Roger Smith, a former senior materials engineer with Caltrans and the Asphalt Institute, as well as a former executive director of CalAPA.



Roger Smith

Although the class is just a half-day it is packed with loads of useful information for contractor and agency paving crews, quality control specialists, lab personnel and others who interact with asphalt pavements.

The class will delve into pavement structure and terminologies, asphalt binders, aggregates, asphalt mixes, plant operations and mix delivery, paving and rolling, acceptance specifications and testing.

For details and to sign up for the March 13 "Asphalt Pavement 101" class in West Sacramento, click [HERE](#). A newly added class is scheduled for March 19 in Bakersfield. For details on the Bakersfield class, click [HERE](#). Another class will be held March 20 in Ontario in conjunction with the Spring Asphalt Pavement Conference & Equipment Expo. The class can be added on to the conference registration or purchased separately. For details on the conference and optional classes and to register on-line, click [HERE](#).

CalAPA will also be offering "Essentials of HMA Paving Smoothness," taught by veteran paving authority Mike Robinson. The half-day class has just been updated to include the latest changes in technology, equipment, pavement smoothness specification updates and more. The "Essentials of HMA Pavement Smoothness" class is also an add-on to the Ontario conference on March 21. Details and registration are [HERE](#).



Mike Robinson

A newly added "Essentials of HMA Pavement Smoothness" class will take place March 19 in San Diego. Details are [HERE](#). The "Essentials of HMA Pavement Smoothness" class will also be held April 9 in Sacramento (details [HERE](#)), April 10 in Fresno (details [HERE](#)) and April 11 in San Jose (details [HERE](#)).

All attendees to CalAPA classes will receive a handy reference booklet that includes copies of the slide presentation, key acronyms, a glossary of technical terminology and other essential information for future reference. Attendees will also receive a handsome certificate of completion documenting that they have completed four (4) Professional Development Hours (PDH) of technical instruction.

CalAPA can also bring training classes to your company or agency, which can greatly reduce travel time and expense. Click [HERE](#) to learn more, or contact Sophie You at (916) 791-5044.

→ Tech Term of the Week

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We can bring CalAPA's popular training classes to your facility at a date and time convenient to you! Click [HERE](#) to view our "hosted" training class flier, or contact CalAPA at (916) 791-5044 for details. This service is available to public agencies and CalAPA members only.

Each week we highlight a word, acronym or other reference commonly used in the asphalt pavement industry in California.

PORTLAND CEMENT CONCRETE (PCC): A composite material that consists essentially of Portland cement and water as a binding medium in which is mixed coarse and fine particles of crushed stone.

→ Paving Pointer of the Week

Each week we highlight a key point or best practice of interest to asphalt paving crews, inspectors and others working in the field. We welcome suggestions. More tips can be found in our Asphalt Parking Lot Construction Checklist [HERE](#).

PROJECT BOUNDARIES: Prior to the start of paving, the foreman and crew should "paint out" the boundaries of the project and mark the paving lanes to identify the proper paving sequence. Once paving starts, the inspector must monitor many items, including mix temperature, layer thickness, smoothness, possible mix segregation and joint construction. These are done through observation and utilization of numerous tools, including a straight edge, thermometer and density gauge.

→ Quote of the Week

"Trust yourself. If you work hard and never give up no matter what anyone tells you, you can achieve your wildest dreams."

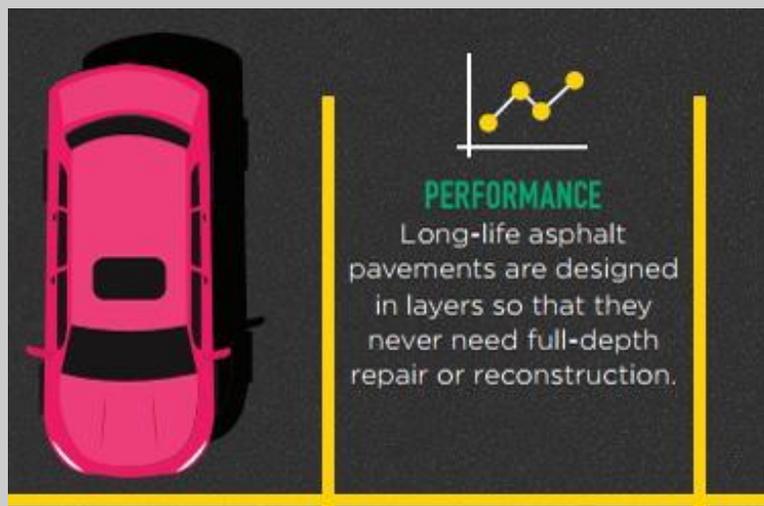
Lady Gaga

We hope you enjoy CalAPA's *Asphalt Insider*. We are committed to providing you with the most up-to-date information on technical issues, regulation, news, analysis, events and trends in California that may impact the asphalt pavement industry. Click [HERE](#) to contact us with any comments or suggestions.

Sincerely,

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