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CALENDAR

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

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SIGN UP NOW!
Annual CalAPA Golf Tournament
Thursday, Sept. 20, 2018
8 a.m. to 2 p.m. (new earlier start time!)
Pacific Palms Resort, City of Industry
Details [HERE](#).

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NEW EVENT!
Topgolf pre-conference networking event
Tuesday, Oct. 23, 6 p.m.
Topgolf, 1700 Freedom Way, Roseville
Flier [HERE](#). Sign-up [HERE](#).

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REGISTRATION OPEN!
Fall Asphalt Pavement Conference, Oct. 24-25
Doubletree Hotel, 2001 Point West Way, Sacramento.
Details [HERE](#).

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.

→ Procrastinator alert: A few spots left for annual CalAPA golf tournament Sept. 20 at the Pacific Palms Resort in Industry Hills

There are a few spots remaining for one of the most popular industry events of the year, the annual CalAPA Golf Tournament Sept. 20 at the fabulous Industry Hills Golf Club at the Pacific Palms Resort in Industry, Calif. Click [HERE](#) for details and to sign-up on-line.

Please note that there is an earlier start time for this year's tournament. The shotgun start will be 8 a.m. and the awards presentations will be a lunchtime event, not a dinner event.

The golf tournament is sponsored by the CalAPA Southern California Contractors' Committee. Proceeds from the event help support CalAPA's workforce development efforts, such as its annual International Road Federation fellowship and providing free passes to CalAPA conferences for college students who are aspiring materials engineers.



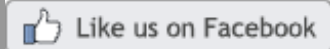
Your cart awaits: It's not too late to sign up for the annual CalAPA golf tournament Sept. 20 at the Pacific Palms Resort.

The Pacific Palms resort, high atop a hill overlooking the San Gabriel Valley, offers a chance to play on a championship-caliber course and also for some solid-gold networking. The tournament will take place on the picturesque "Ike" Course, named after former president and WWII hero Dwight D. Eisenhower, who was also an avid golfer. Enjoy food, beverages and a gala awards luncheon, and connect with old friends and make new ones. Bring your spouse and indulge in optional spa treatments or nearby shopping and attractions.

There are numerous sponsorship opportunities to help CalAPA members build their brand and support a good cause. For more information, contact Sophie You of CalAPA at (916) 791-5044.

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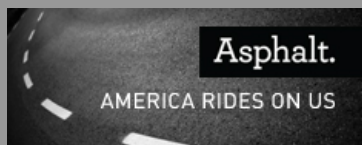


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GET TECHNICAL

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.



This year's CalAPA golf tournament will take place on the "Ike" course of the Pacific Palms Resort.

→ I-5 pothole sends cars careening, but SB1-funded help is on the way

Earlier this month a national transportation research group, TRIP, released a report underscoring the cost to each motorist of poorly-maintained roads in California -- up to \$3,000 per driver in some cases. *Asphalt Insider* coverage of the report is [HERE](#).

Just a few weeks later, a yawning pothole on Interstate 5 near Sacramento drove home the point, disabling more than 20 cars and creating a massive morning commute traffic tie-up as tow trucks and CHP officers worked to clear the mess. Fortunately, no injuries were reported. One report of the incident, including links to video clips, can be found [HERE](#).

The broken pavement required emergency repairs and reduced lanes, which stretched into this past weekend. For motorists tallying up the damage to their vehicles, ranging from flat tires, bent rims and cracked oil pans, the connection between bad roads and their pocketbooks couldn't be clearer.



The pothole on I-5 near Sacramento disabled more than 20 vehicles and caused a massive morning commute traffic jam that made the local TV news, including this footage from KXTV Ch. 10.

The silver lining of the otherwise harrowing tale carried live on local TV and radio stations is that help is on the way in the form of a major pavement rehabilitation project scheduled for that section of interstate that will employ long-life (perpetual) asphalt pavement designs.

A previous *Asphalt Insider* story about the \$280 million I-5 project can be found [HERE](#).

Road-repairs such as the I-5 rehabilitation are occurring in every county of the state thanks to SB1, the \$5 billion-per-year Road Repair & Accountability Act of 2017, which was passed by a two-thirds majority vote of the Legislature and signed into law by the governor. Voters this past June, by an 80 percent ratio, endorsed a ballot measure to ensure those funds are used solely for transportation-related purposes.

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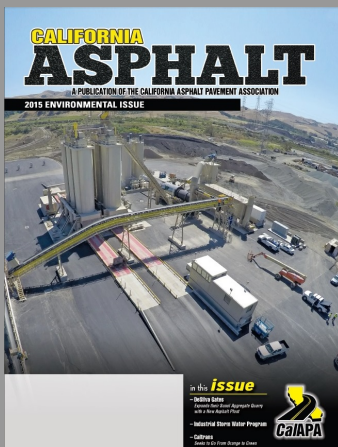
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MAGAZINE



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STAY INFORMED

Fixing the roads will be on the ballot again Nov. 6 in the form of Proposition 6, which would repeal the fuel taxes and other fees devoted to road repairs. Public works officials say thousands of road-repairs designed to avoid a repeat of the I-5 catastrophe would be stopped or delayed if Prop. 6 is not defeated. First-responders who are called to the scene of such accidents, have come out in opposition to the measure. They join a broad coalition that includes business and labor, environmental protection and social justice groups opposing Prop. 6. A fact sheet detailing the consequence to motorists if Prop. 6 passes is [HERE](#).

→ 'Women of Asphalt' leadership panel among the highlights of CalAPA's Fall Asphalt Pavement Conference Oct. 24-25 in Sacramento

Registration is now open for the must-attend event of the year -- the CalAPA Fall Asphalt Pavement Conference in Sacramento. The annual event has been expanded to include training classes, a pre-conference Topgolf networking event and special "Women of Asphalt" dinner and leadership panel discussion. Information on the conference and related events can be found [HERE](#).

Conference presentations will cover best practices in Hot Mix Asphalt design, specifications, testing, placement, future trends, public works funding, research and the status of evaluations. Noted experts from across the state and the nation will delve into topics that are practical and relevant to anyone working in the field today. Caltrans' utilization of higher recycled content in asphalt mixes, plus new pavement smoothness specifications, will receive extra attention.



The conference will take place at the Doubletree Hotel, 2001 Point West Way in Sacramento. There is a special lodging rate for conference attendees. Click [HERE](#) to learn more.

Author and noted speaker Mark Breslin, CEO of United Contractors, will deliver a keynote address and disruption and future trends in the construction industry. Amy Miller, national director of the Asphalt Pavement Alliance, will speak about national trends and how they could impact the asphalt industry in California. The Day 1 agenda of speakers and topics is [HERE](#). The Day 2 program agenda is [HERE](#).

A special "Women of Asphalt" leadership panel discussion and dinner will take place on Oct. 24, featuring accomplished professionals in the asphalt industry offering success strategies that are applicable to aspiring leaders in the industry and public agencies as well. A flier for the dinner is [HERE](#). The dinner is complementary for all conference attendees. Those seeking to attend the dinner and leadership program only may register [HERE](#).

Also new this year is an optional pre-conference networking event at the

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Topgolf sports entertainment venue Oct. 23 in nearby Roseville. A flier for that event is [HERE](#). To sign-up for the Topgolf event click [HERE](#).

Optional half-day training classes are being held in conjunction with the conference and can be added to the conference registration at a discount, or purchased separately. Back this year is the popular "Asphalt Pavement 101" overview class, taught by former senior Caltrans and Asphalt Institute materials engineer Roger Smith. A flier for his class is [HERE](#). There will also be an optional "Quality Asphalt Paving" class, taught by veteran paving contractor and consultant Skip Brown, who has personally supervised the placement of more than 4 million tons of asphalt across California during his career. A flier for that class is [HERE](#).

There are numerous sponsorship and trade-show booth opportunities. Click [HERE](#) to download the sponsorship flier, or contact Sophie You of CalAPA at (916) 791-5044 for details.



Rita B. Leahy, Ph.D, P.E., will moderate the special "Women of Asphalt" leadership discussion at the Fall Conference in Sacramento.



Optional asphalt training classes will be held in conjunction with this year's Fall Asphalt Pavement Conference in Sacramento, including "Asphalt Pavement 101" taught by Roger Smith (standing at left).

→ Tech Term of the Week

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

CORRELATION ANALYSIS: Analysis that describes how one variable relates to another.

→ 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](#).

SUBGRADE: Confirm that the correct depth and type of crushed aggregate material is being installed on the project.

→ Quote of the Week

"The art of being wise is the art of knowing what to overlook."

William James

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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