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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

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.

→ San Diego County launches task force to look at innovative, sustainable road maintenance strategies, including using more RAP

The San Diego Board of Supervisors last week created a task force to examine innovative and sustainable road-maintenance strategies, including possibly utilizing more Reclaimed Asphalt Pavement (RAP) in pavement mixes.

The action comes as state and local governments face scrutiny on how tax dollars are spent on road maintenance. Several CalAPA members have embraced the initiative and offered to be a technical resource to the County.

"Through the establishment of a working group comprised of industry associations and public agencies, with a localized emphasis on the region's resources and the County's needs, the County has the potential to improve the quality of its roads," said the resolution passed by the Board of Supervisors on Sept. 11. A link to the agenda (the road item is No. 1 on the agenda) is [HERE](#).



Kristin Gaspar

The Chief Administrative Officer was directed to form the working group, and return to the Board of Supervisors with a report of recommendations within 180 days.

The development follows the move by the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) to allow up to 25 percent RAP in pavement mixes, up from 15 percent. A previous Asphalt Insider story on that topic is [HERE](#).

San Diego County Board of Supervisors Chair Krisin Gaspar told Asphalt Insider she was "thrilled" about the state moving to greater utilization of RAP and believes the county should consider higher RAP usage as part of its overall road maintenance strategy. In touring construction and aggregate facilities last year, she was alarmed to learn that county aggregate sources could be exhausted in 10 years.

"I am thrilled to hear about this agreement between Caltrans and industry that will increase the amount of RAP used in our roads," Gaspar told Asphalt Insider. "This is a win for everyone, especially taxpayers, who will see

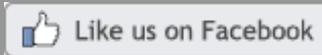
networking event
Tuesday, Oct. 23, 6 p.m.
Topgolf, 1700 Freedom Way,
Roseville
Flier [HERE](#). Sign-up [HERE](#).

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

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You at (916) 791-5044.

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GET TECHNICAL

Are you an engineer,
designer or technical

considerable cost savings
and roads that will last
longer."

John Greenwood, general
manager of San Diego-based
California Commercial
Asphalt and past chairman
of CalAPA, said he was
pleased the County was
willing to work with industry
on innovative and
sustainable pavement
strategies.



A loader works a RAP stockpile.

"We are looking forward to working with the County and other stakeholders to ensure that every dollar spent on pavement maintenance is a dollar well-spent," Greenwood said. "This partnership will benefit everyone who lives and works in San Diego, and also aid in the efficient movement of people, goods and services throughout the county."

CalAPA sent a letter to the Board of Supervisors praising them for the focus on roads.

"We are gratified by the Board's attention to the critical need to adequately preserve and maintain county roads, and to exploit best-practices and innovation to deliver the best value for the taxpayers and transportation system users," the association said in its Sept. 6 letter.

→ Join CalAPA today and save; work smarter tomorrow and save even more

There has never been a better time to be a member of the California Asphalt Pavement Association (CalAPA). As part of the association's end-of-the-year membership drive, companies that sign up now will have their annual dues payment cover the remainder of 2018 and all of 2019, or up to 16 months for the price of 12.

The association, founded in 1953, is dedicated to representing the asphalt pavement industry in California, as well as delivering products and services to enhance the knowledge and skills vital to remaining competitive and deliver a high-quality product in today's fast-moving environment.

CalAPA member benefits include access to exclusive "Member Alerts" and other member-only communications that deliver insight, analysis and identification of future trends and opportunities. What you don't know can cost you! CalAPA members also receive discounted pricing on all association events and exclusive invitations to member-only networking events. A promotional brochure with more information about CalAPA membership can be found [HERE](#). A current list of CalAPA members is [HERE](#). If you would like to do business with companies that are leaders in the industry, click [HERE](#) to view our 2018-19 Buyers' Guide.



"Life Members" recognized at a recent CalAPA Annual Dinner.

All CalAPA members agree to abide by the association's Code of

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.



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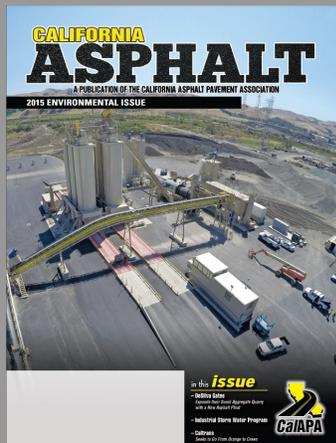
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BACK ISSUES

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MAGAZINE



CalAPA produces a highly regarded magazine, *California Asphalt*, and an

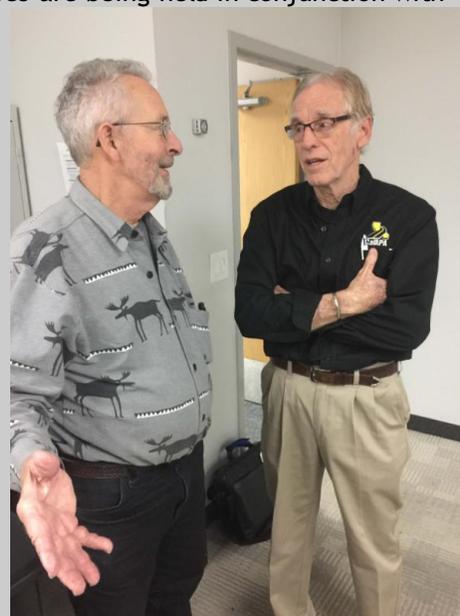
Ethics. You can read it [HERE](#). To have information about membership sent to you, contact CalAPA's Member Service Manager, Sophie You, at (916) 791-5044. CalAPA is the acknowledged voice of the industry in California. Isn't it time you learned what CalAPA members already know?

→ Technical training classes offered in conjunction with 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](#).

CalAPA's popular "Asphalt Pavement 101" class, which provides an excellent overview of all things asphalt, will be held in the morning prior to the start of the conference. CalAPA's "Quality Asphalt Paving," focused more on field techniques and best practices, will be held in the afternoon of Day 2 of the conference.

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. The popular "Asphalt Pavement 101" overview class is taught by former senior Caltrans and Asphalt Institute materials engineer Roger Smith. A flier for his class is [HERE](#). The "Quality Asphalt Paving" class is 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](#).



CalAPA instructors Skip Brown (left) and Roger Smith.

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

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.

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DESIGN!



To visit the PAVEExpress website, click [HERE](#). To view the companion website, PaveInstruct, click [HERE](#).

LEARN!

We can bring CalAPA's

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 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](#).

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.



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.

ENVIRONMENTAL PRODUCT DECLARATION: An Environmental Product Declaration (EPD) is a document that communicates verified, transparent and comparable information about the life-cycle environmental impact of products.

→ Paving Pointer of the Week

Each week we highlight a key point or best practice of interest to

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.



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 a straight edge and a thermometer.

→ Quote of the Week

"It is easy to sit up and take notice. What is difficult is getting up and taking action."

Honore de Balzac

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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