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SOLD OUT!

CalAPA 'Day at the Races' at Del Mar Race Track, Del Mar, CA.

Saturday, July 21.

Contact: Ritha Nhorn (916) 791-5044

Details [HERE](#)

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SAVE THE DATE!

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.

→ Sides square off in road tax ballot fight

Now that the repeal of transportation funding has a name, Proposition 6 on the Nov. 6 ballot, campaigns for and against the measure are ramping up for what is expected to be a pitched battle to win over voters.

Supporters of SB1, the \$50 billion Road Repair & Accountability Act of 2017, rebranded themselves as "No on Proposition 6" and rolled out a new logo and the tag line: "Stop the Attack on Bridge & Road Safety." Asphalt, which surfaces more than 90 percent of roads in California and across the nation, is prominently featured in the campaign materials and even in the campaign logo.



The No on Proposition 6 campaign has jumped out to a big lead in fundraising.

According to the Secretary of State, the No on Proposition 6 campaign has taken in \$13.8 million so far from 542 contributors. The campaign has amassed more than 250 endorsements from a wide assortment of groups, including those representing business and labor, environmental protection, cities and counties, social justice and public safety. Some of the organizations are very familiar, including the California Chamber of Commerce, the Sierra Club, the League of California Cities, the California State Association of Counties and an organization representing California Highway Patrol officers. CalAPA is one of the official campaign supporters. The No on Proposition 6 campaign website is [HERE](#).

The Yes on Proposition 6 campaign has also published a website and has adopted the tagline: "Repeal the Gas Tax." A 12-cent-per gallon fuel tax, the first such increase in California since 1994, was part of the SB1 funding mechanism.

According to the Secretary of State, the Yes on Proposition 6 campaign has taken in \$2.2 million from 75 contributors. The contributions are largely from the Republican Party and GOP candidate

committees or GOP-supporting groups. The campaign website does not include a list of supporters except for the pictures of Republican candidates for state and federal offices. The GOP in California has staked its political fortunes on the gas-tax repeal in the hopes that it will motivate conservative voters to go to the polls in November, favoring Republican candidates. The Yes on Proposition 6 campaign website is [HERE](#).



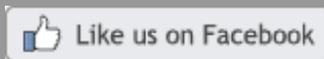
CalAPA members seeking to learn more about this issue and what it may mean for roads in California should consult a "Member Alert"

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
Registration opens soon!

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SAVE THE DATES!
Fall Asphalt Pavement
Conference, Oct. 24-25
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opportunities, contact Sophie
You at (916) 791-5044.

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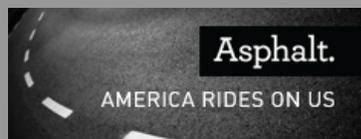
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Asphalt is used on about 93 percent of paved roads in California and across the U.S. Why? Because it's smooth, quiet, safe, durable and 100 percent recyclable. Visit the [Asphalt Pavement Alliance](#) website learn more about why asphalt is the right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



GET TECHNICAL

that was sent to all members on Friday, July 13, or contact Russell Snyder at (916) 791-5044.

→ Tracy Zubek of DeSilva Gates named to leadership post in Caltrans-industry specification development committee

Tracy Zubek, Quality Control Manager at CalAPA member DeSilva Gates Aggregates, has been named co-chair of a joint Caltrans-industry committee that collaborates on recommended changes to Caltrans asphalt specifications and test methods.

Zubek, widely known and respected in asphalt circles, replaces Jack Van Kirk of George Reed Co./Basic Resources, who retired last month. An article about Van Kirk's retirement appeared in the June 25 issue of *California Asphalt Insider* and can be viewed on-line [HERE](#).



Tracy Zubek (left), with Jack Van Kirk, inspecting test sections in 2010 at the U.C. Pavement Research Center in Davis, Calif.

Zubek joins Pat Imhoff with CalPortland, the other co-chair of the Asphalt Task Group (ATG). The ATG oversees various activities related to asphalt, pavement preservation and recycling and is part of the Pavement & Materials Partnering Committee (PMPC), formerly known as the Rock Products Committee. A story about the revamping of the PMPC was featured in the June 4 issue of *California Asphalt Insider* and can be viewed on-line [HERE](#).

Zubek has worked for DeSilva Gates since 2008 and holds the title of Quality Control Manager and Safety Director. He has lent his expertise in numerous technical committees and task forces, including the CalAPA Technical Advisory Committee. He participated in a committee that developed the curriculum for the "Caltrans Section 39" specification class for CalAPA that was attended by hundreds of industry and agency personnel across the state in 2010 and 2011.

Originally from Oregon, Zubek worked in the timber industry and owned his own business, and was a safety compliance officer for two years for the Oregon Occupational Safety & Health Administration (OSHA). He also was a special inspector for Agra Earth & Environmental in Portland, Ore.

In 1998 he migrated to the construction materials industry, working as a senior quality control technician for Eugene Sand & Gravel in Eugene, Ore. He later became quality control manager for the company.

Due to his experience with the successful Joint Training & Certification Program for materials technicians in Oregon, he contributed valuable insight into the design of a similar program that recently launched in California. The Executive Committee of the Caltrans PMPC last week welcomed his participation as co-chair of the ATG, which is currently identifying asphalt-related specification and test-method issues to receive the highest priority in 2018 in industry-agency deliberations.

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.



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BACK ISSUES

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MAGAZINE



CalAPA produces a highly



The Zubek clan attended CalAPA's "Day at the Races" event at Del Mar in 2015. Pictured, from left: KC Zubek, Andrea Zubek, Tracy Zubek and Jake Moore.

→ TRB 'webinar' on structural design of porous asphalt pavements set for July 17

The Transportation Research Board (TRB) will hold an on-line "webinar" on Tuesday, July 17 titled "Structural Design of Porous Asphalt Pavements." To view details of the webinar and to register, click [HERE](#). The webinar is scheduled from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. local time. There may be a fee for some participants.

The presenters are Chuck Schwartz, University of Maryland, and Kevin Hall with the University of Arkansas. They will discuss the composition and use of porous asphalt pavements. Porous asphalt pavements have the potential to increase sustainability and lessen the environmental impact of projects. They are commonly used for parking lots, bicycle and pedestrian paths and other low-volume road applications.



Presenters will identify the structural design procedure and representative material structural properties of porous designs. They will also explain how porous asphalt pavements can be applied to other projects to ensure it does not deteriorate under heavy traffic loads. Attendees to the webinar may qualify for 1.5 Professional Development Hours if they meet certain requirements. Visit the TRB website for details.

For questions about this webinar, contact Reggie Gillum at: [RGillum\(at\)nas\(dot\)edu](mailto:RGillum(at)nas(dot)edu) .

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LEARN!



Porous Asphalt Pavement was utilized in the parking lot of the \$436 million Kaiser Permanente-Modesto Medical Center that opened in 2008. The parking lot was constructed by Granite Construction.

→ Job Opportunity: Sales Representative for DeSilva Gates Aggregates, Northern Calif.

CalAPA member DeSilva Gates Aggregates / Gallagher & Burk Materials is seeking qualified applicants for the position of sales representative.

The successful candidate will market road-building materials, Hot Mix Asphalt, aggregates and RMC aggregates from plants and facilities in Northern California.

Applicants for the salaried sales position should have four years of college or equivalent years of experience and good computer skills. The position requires good communication skills, both verbal and written.



For more information, contact Alan French, General Manager, at (925) 361-1640, or via e-mail at: [afrench\(at\)desilvagates\(dot\)com](mailto:afrench@desilvagates.com). The company website is [HERE](#).

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→ Tech Term of the Week

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

ADHESION: Interaction between two substrates such as the bond between a sealant material and the crack or joint sidewall or the bond between asphalt cement and aggregate. This may be physical, chemical or physiochemical in nature.

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.



→ 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](#).

TONNAGE CALCULATION: Are there enough trucks on the run to haul the mix needed to complete the job? If you have five trucks on the round each carrying 25 tons = 125 tons per round. If each round takes one hour to make, then the production rate is 125 tons per hour. If the job requires 1,000 tons at 125 tons per hour = eight hours to get the mix to the job.

→ Quote of the Week

"People ask the difference between a leader and a boss. The leader leads, and the boss drives."

Theodore Roosevelt

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,

Russell W. Snyder, CAE
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California Asphalt Pavement Association (CalAPA)

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