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CalAPA: The voice of the asphalt pavement industry in California since 1953

For more than six decades people who want to know about asphalt come to the California Asphalt Pavement Association. The association has built a reputation as the go-to source for information, expertise and insight for companies, agency personnel, elected officials, regulators, academia and other stakeholders. But don't take our word for it — here are a few testimonials from those who have found value from their interactions with CalAPA.

“ I commend the persistence and dedication of CalAPA members for working closely with me and other members of the Legislature for many years to get SB1 passed, and then to defend it at the ballot box. Accountability is a key feature of SB1 and CalAPA has always advocated for working collaboratively with state and local agencies to deliver high-quality road improvements that are sustainable and a good value for the taxpayer. SB1 was a backlog catch-up measure with over \$20 billion of highway resurfacing work and at least the same amount on local roads. We had to support this or it would get much worse and expensive.”

State Sen. Jim Beall, D-San Jose (Ret.), author of SB1

“ The City of Lompoc has benefitted very much through participation in CalAPA regional technical committees. The technical experts representing CalAPA as well as those in the asphalt industry have helped the City to work through a number of issues concerning asphalt pavements and to improve our street pavement for the public. The broad pool of industry members participating in technical committee meetings have educated local agency staff regarding the many variables in play throughout asphalt pavement production and placement, and how various industry members address those variables to achieve the desired product. We also appreciate that the CalAPA technical committee forum continually updates members on changes and current events in the asphalt pavement industry, and the impacts of those events on industry members, agency members and the public.”

Craig Dierling, P.E., Engineering Division, City of Lompoc

“ CalAPA has been an integral part in our Advocacy. Always dependable, CalAPA has testified at a number of hearings and has participated in important discussions as it relates to our Transportation, Energy and Environment Committee meetings. As the largest business advocacy organization in Southern California we work with a number of industries to advance our work and provide different perspectives to our policy needs. CalAPA always gives valuable feedback that represents their members well and gives our advocacy a boost when needed. We are grateful for the CalAPA partnership!”

De'Andre Valencia, Chief Advocacy Officer & President, BizFed PAC (Los Angeles County Business Federation)

“ Transportation California's collaborative working relationship with the California Asphalt Pavement Association is very beneficial. At minimum, the information sharing between organizations has enabled Transportation California to fulfill its mission in a more timely and responsive way. This relationship will continue to serve the industry well as we collectively advocate on industry issues ranging from accountable and transparent expenditure of transportation funding, maximizing efficiencies in project delivery, protecting transportation funding during state budget crises, to meeting the state's climate goals from the transportation sector, just to name a few.”

Kiana Valentine, Executive Director, Transportation California

“ The National Asphalt Pavement Association (NAPA) and the California Asphalt Pavement Association (CalAPA) have a rich history of advancing the asphalt pavement industry nationally and in California. The members of CalAPA have participated in nearly every Transportation Construction Coalition 'Fly-In' making the case in support of Federal highway funding. NAPA's Government Affairs team notes that they have worked closely with CalAPA, probably more so than any other state association. Beyond CalAPA's leadership in Government Affairs, NAPA and CalAPA have a long-standing relationship of working together on regulatory and environmental, health, and safety (EH&S) issues that are both nuanced and, if not handled appropriately, could have substantial impacts on the asphalt pavement market. Finally, CalAPA is a trusted partner of NAPA, and we rely on CalAPA's established network of members and stakeholders across California in order to communicate issues and opportunities of national importance.”

Audrey Copeland, President & CEO, National Asphalt Pavement Association (NAPA)

“ When it comes to asphalt pavement projects, whether it be design, specifications or construction, CalAPA is looking out for the best interests for Agencies, Contractors, Engineering Firms and Suppliers as a whole.”

Randy L. Reichert, Project Manager, Ninyo & Moore

“ CalAPA members adhere to a Code of Ethics, strict conflict-of-interest policies, and are committed to fair dealings with each other and our customers. The asphalt business is like a big family. Everyone knows everyone, and we may not always agree. But in tough times, we have rallied together to protect the family, and in doing so, have achieved great things. Just two recent examples are the fight to pass, and then defend, SB1, the \$50 billion state road-repair bill, and also our successful defense of our industry in the face of Proposition 65 nuisance lawsuits. CalAPA continues to be a valuable source of information and insight available nowhere else.”

Adam Sinutko, Laboratory Manager, Toro Enterprises