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Transportation Funding on the Move

By Mike McManus, Director of Engineering Construction & Industry Relations

There was good news for contractors recently at a California Transportation Commission (CTC) meeting. The CTC is an appointed body that makes decisions on funding and policy matters in transportation statewide for California. Under California law, the Commission is responsible for, among other things, allocating federal funds from the State Highway Account. In the past, the commission usually adopts a resolution specifying a distribution of funds when a new federal transportation bill is being implemented at the state level. The previous federal highway bill preceding the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) was known as the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act or FAST Act, which was enacted during the Obama administration.

The decision on the new distribution of federal funding occurred at the most recent meeting, as the Commission adopted a funding distribution for the IIJA formula funds that will split the total funding at 60% for state programs (Caltrans) and 40% for regional and local programs. For the Federal Fiscal Year 2022, this will then translate into \$3.2 billion for state programs and \$2.1 billion for regional and local programs.

The IIJA was signed into law by President Biden in November 2021. The legislation contains \$1.2 trillion for infrastructure programs nationwide, including \$550 billion in new spending over 5 years. Of the new spending related to transportation is \$110 billion for roads and bridges; \$66 billion for passenger and freight rail; \$39 billion is for public transit; \$25 billion is for airports and \$17 billion is for ports and waterways.

The CTC announced that with the passage of the IIJA, California is receiving a new infusion of Federal Highway Administration formula funds that will help advance its priorities for a safe, reliable, and efficient transportation system. For the Federal Fiscal Year 2022, California expects to receive about \$5.5 billion. An increase of \$1.5 billion from the prior year. That breaks down as follows:

Formula Funding Programs	FY 2021 FAST	FY 2022 IIJA	Change
National Highways Flexible Federal-Aid	\$2.065 billion \$1.042 billion	\$2.460 billion \$1.197 billion	\$395 million \$155 million
Highway Safety	\$209 million	\$262 million	\$53 million
Rail Grade Crossings	\$17 million	\$17 million	\$0
Congestion Mitigation	\$495 million	\$506 million	\$11 million
Metropolitan Planning	\$54 million	\$66 million	\$12 million
Highway Freight Movement	\$137 million	\$127 million	(\$10 million)
Carbon Reduction	N/A	\$107 million	\$107 million
Climate Adaptability	N/A	\$121 million	\$121 million
Electric Charging	N/A	\$57 million	\$57 million
Bridge Rehab	N/A	\$575 million	\$575 million
Totals	\$4.019 billion	\$5.495 billion	\$1.476 billion

There are also on-going discussions about how to take advantage of upcoming opportunities to apply for federal competitive grant programs. The IIJA includes a new \$12.5 billion program for economically significant bridges, \$16 billion for major projects, and \$2.5 billion for electric vehicle charging infrastructure.

The funds from SB1 keep coming in and keep going up slightly. The new gas tax has a provision that indexes the amount of the gas tax, against inflation. You probably didn't notice on July 1st that your state gas tax went up from 51.5 cents per gallon to 53.9 cents per gallon, because the overall cost of a gallon of gasoline has fallen over a dollar in the last six weeks.

Coming up is a "pause" in the state sales tax for diesel. Buried in the state's new budget is a measure to stop the collection of state sales tax on diesel, which is 3.94% on the price of the fuel, which starts on October 1st and stays in effect for a year. This will leave a \$350 million hole in the transportation budget which will be backfilled by the windfall general fund surplus, so all is well in the transportation funding world.

What we are waiting for now; is to see an uptick in transportation projects and bidding opportunities for contractors. As Caltrans and local governments will get busy putting projects out. We expect to see an uptick in transportation projects and bidding opportunities for contractors as Caltrans and local governments put more projects out to bid.



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Take action to protect the environment by removing trash from our coastline. In addition to cleaning the beach, Surfrider can use the data you collect to influence laws that reduce pollution at the source!

Please <u>click here</u> to register for the August 20th cleanup. If you plan on bringing friends or family, each individual volunteer needs to register. **Once you register online with Surfrider**, please email <u>marcy@agcsd.org</u> that you will be participating.

Let's help keep our community clean! FLYER

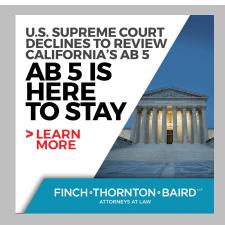
AGC of America Needs your Help to Measure the Scope of Construction Labor Shortages by Taking a Quick Survey

The survey will close on August 12th

The construction industry has experienced some very significant and sudden changes during the past few months that have led to dramatic changes in demand for work, availability of key construction materials, and the need for new workers. We want to understand exactly how those changes are impacting the industry's current workforce needs to better be able to advocate for measures to help the industry's labor needs in both the short- and long-term.

That is why we are asking you to take a few minutes to complete the following <u>workforce survey</u> that we and our partners at Autodesk have prepared. The more people understand the scope and consequences of current labor market conditions, the more likely they are to enact measures to help meet the industry's needs. The more members who take the <u>survey</u>, the better able we all will be to describe labor market conditions where you operate.







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San Diego City Council Votes on Contractor "Transparency"

By Dustin Steiner, Vice President Government & Industry Relations

Last week, the San Diego City Council adopted the *Contractor Transparency Amendment* to the *Municipal Code* that was proposed by Mayor Todd Gloria. AGC San Diego is generally supportive of transparency and efforts to root out bad actors, but also expressed concerns that many of the provisions were duplicative or unnecessary.

AGC San Diego joined with eight other industry associations to share these concerns with the Council and the Mayor's Office. Our industry is currently facing severe workforce shortages, material price escalation and supply chain disruptions, inflation, and record fuel costs, all of which serve to delay critical infrastructure and housing supply. With the promise of our share of the \$1.2 trillion dollar Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act heading our way, we commented this is not the time for added bureaucracy.

Our main concerns were over the timing and the overly punitive Stop Work Order for violations. We argued that the California Public Contract Code already requires full disclosures for public projects, and that it is simply impractical to disclose subcontractors during permit issuance, when many, if not all, have not even been hired yet. We also said that violations will likely be inadvertent or clerical in nature and should not be met with harsh recourse. While the final ordinance still "requires" all contractors and subcontractors to be listed "prior to permit issuance," there is an exemption that stipulates, "If the *applicant* is unable to provide the information in Section 129.0121(c)(1)(A)-(B) prior to *construction permit* issuance, or in the event the *permit holder* adds or changes contractors or subcontractors following permit issuance, the *permit holder* shall provide the information required in Section 129.0121(c)(1)(A)-(B) prior to work being performed or the new contractor or subcontractor starting work." The Stop Work Order language was removed and instead refers to the Municipal Code to remedy violations.

The City Council voted 8-1 (Cate – no) to adopt this ordinance. It will go into effect on January 1, 2023.

To view the ordinance, click here.

To view our full letter, click here.

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Equity Construction Council of San Diego County Kick Off - August 10

The newly created Equity Construction Council (ECC) of San Diego County is the first and only open shop council dedicated to advancing equity within San Diego's construction workforce by fighting discriminatory practices that exclude access to construction careers for all San Diegans.

Please join civic and community leaders THIS Wednesday, August 10, for a press conference and lunch to learn more about the ECC. You can also visit the website at www.eccsd.org.

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A Billion Reasons

By Dustin Steiner, Vice President Government & Industry Relations

On July 25, 2022, the San Diego City Council voted 8-1 (Cate - no) to place a repeal of Proposition A on the November 2022 Ballot. In 2012, Prop A was supported by 58% of the voters and the San Diego Union-Tribune (UT). Prop A bans discriminatory union-only Project Labor Agreements (PLA) on City projects. Since its passage, Proposition A has saved billions of dollars of City of San Diego Projects from discriminatory PLAs. In 2019, AGC San Diego sued the City of San Diego to enforce Proposition A, saving \$2 billion worth of non-Pure Water projects from PLAs.

The Campaign

The proposed repeal is being framed as "<u>Safeguard San Diego</u>" alleging that state funds are at risk as long as Prop A is in effect. As previously reported in MMQB, AGC has challenged this language with the City Attorney. The courts have found that State funding has never been put at risk as a result of Proposition A.

This is NOT union vs. non-union. It is simply a matter of FAIRNESS!

80% of the local construction industry is non-union. Mandatory PLAs hurt local hire and displace thousands of craft workers who pay taxes in San Diego and should have the opportunity to build projects in their own community. They also negatively impact community priorities such as **affordable housing**, **economic opportunity**, **and diversity**.

AGC and our coalition partners are working with top campaign experts and the foremost election attorney in the state. We need to let voters know that:

- PLAs are discriminatory
- PLAs hurt local hire
- PLAs drive up costs in a time when we can least afford
- PLAs undermine collective bargaining
- PLAs disrupt existing relationships between union and signatory contractors
- NO state funding is or ever has been at risk
- ALL San Diego workers should have the opportunity to work on the projects their tax dollars fund
- ALL State and Federal approved apprentices should have the opportunity to work on City projects
- Workers should not have to pay into union pension funds when they will never see the benefit

AGC is launching an all-out offensive in partnership with other local construction associations. Defeating this repeal protects an estimated \$1 billion of non-Pure Water City projects from PLAs over the next two years. That's a nearly 1,000 to 1 return on investment (ROI) on a \$1 million campaign.

This campaign is winnable, but we need your help! Get your checkbook ready and contact me to find out how you can get involved!

There is opportunity for success in 2022 and billions of reasons to try!

Safety Report: Fatalities Rising on our Highways

By Mike McManus, Director of Engineering Construction & Industry Relations

We have been hearing from our highway and utility contractors that working in our nation's roadways has been increasingly dangerous for our construction workforce. A new report out shows some sobering statistics which need to be addressed.

The number of traffic fatalities in the U.S. surged by 19% from 2019 to 2021. Traffic fatalities began to increase dramatically in 2020 even as vehicle travel rates plummeted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Traffic fatalities continued to increase in 2021 as vehicle travel returned to near pre-pandemic levels. This is according to a report released recently by TRIP, a national transportation research nonprofit that documents the rise in traffic fatalities and fatality rates from 2019 to 2021 at the national and state levels.

By April 2020, as most activity was curtailed in an effort to slow the spread of COVID-19, U.S. vehicle travel was 40% lower than April 2019. But by October 2020, U.S. vehicle travel rebounded to within 9% of October 2019 levels. Overall, U.S. vehicle travel in 2020 was 11% lower than in 2019. However, despite the significant decrease in vehicle travel from 2019 to 2020, the overall number of traffic fatalities during the same time increased by 8% (from 36,096 to 38,824) and the traffic fatality rate per 100 million vehicle miles of travel (VMT) increased by 21% (from 1.11 to 1.34).

In 2021, as COVID-related restrictions gradually lifted, U.S. vehicle travel increased 10% over 2020 levels, but still 3% below 2019's pre-pandemic levels. From 2020 to 2021, the number of traffic fatalities increased by approximately 11% (from 38,824 to 42,915), roughly on pace with the 10% increase in vehicle travel during the same time, and the highest number recorded since 2005. The traffic fatality rate in 2021 rose to 1.35 fatalities per 100 million vehicle miles of travel.

The chart below shows the number of California traffic fatalities, the rate of traffic fatalities per 100 million VMT in California, and the rate of vehicle travel in the state in 2019, 2020 and 2021.

CALIFORNIA TRAFFIC FATALITY AND VEHICLE MILES OF TRAVEL (VMT) DATA						
	2019	2020	2021	2019-2021 Change		
Traffic Fatalities	3,606	3,847	4,258	+18%		
Fatalities per 100 Million VMT	1.06	1.28	1.3	+23%		
VMT (Billions)	340.8	299.8	326.8	-4%		

Additional funding for improved roadway safety has been provided by the bipartisan Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA). The IIJA provides \$454 billion over the five-year period from 2022 to 2026 for investment in highways and transit, resulting in a

38% increase in federal investment in 2022. The IIJA provides additional resources to address traffic safety, including \$6 billion for the Safe Streets and Roads for All Program, \$17 billion for the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP), \$4 billion for improved crash data and vehicle, behavior, and truck safety programs, \$300 million for rural road safety, and \$120 million for tribal road safety.

The safety improvement projects cannot come soon enough; contractors are ready to build them. But additional enforcement and educational measures are needed to combat the epidemic of risky driving behaviors, especially in highway work zones.

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Computers2Kids - Distribution Day - Aug. 27

Computers2Kids provides refurbished computers in the home s of low-income families and distributes to schools.

We need volunteers to help distribute computers in San Marcos, Saturday, August 27, from 9:00am – 12:00pm. Volunteers will need to arrive by 8:30am.

The computer distribution will be a drive thru, held in the parking lot and all clients will remain in their cars. Wear closed toed shoes and your masks.

If interested, contact Twyla Perry at tperry@c2sdk.org PLUS email Marcy Knopman at marcy@agcsd.org so we can keep track of those who are volunteering.



Burn Institute - Senior Smoke Alarm Project - Oct. 15

Help keep seniors safe in their homes! We need volunteers to assist with installing smoke alarms at a senior mobile home park in **Ramona on Saturday, October 15** from **8 am – 2 pm** for the Burn Institute's Fire-Safe Seniors Program.

Volunteers are assigned routes of homes and paired up with another volunteer. You'll install alarms and review fire safety information with residents. Training and drills (limited amount) are provided by the Burn

Institute, so we are asking volunteers to bring their own battery-operated drill.

Volunteers need to fill out the <u>application</u> then <u>sign up here.</u>

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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

The AGC Board of Directors and the AGC staff would like to welcome the following new members:

Bright Sky Recruiting Business Group Resources Hitec Commercial Drone Services

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Safety Huddle/August

2022 Safety Focus

The first six months of 2022 have proven to be deadly for 22 people performing trenching and excavation work in the U.S. The total number of fatalities for all of 2021 was 15. These numbers have prompted OSHA to sound the alarm and institute enhanced enforcement initiatives, i.e. higher penalties and possible criminal charges.

According to California's own Doug Parker, now the Assistant Secretary for Federal OSHA, "Every one of these tragedies could have been prevented had employers complied with OSHA standards. There simply is no excuse for ignoring safety requirements to prevent trench collapses and cave-ins, and leaving families, friends and co-workers to grieve when the solutions are so well-understood."

Current Cal/OSHA trenching standards require that trenches deeper than 5 feet must be permitted and shored or sloped. Also, a competent person must inspect the trench and protective systems daily before the start of work and throughout the day as conditions change. Competent person training is available through the AGC San Diego.

While the thought of increased OSHA focus and penalties for trench violations can motivate employers to follow the standards, the greater motivation for all of us is to have employees working safely and going home at the end of their workday to their friends and families.



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D is for Discrimination

By Dustin Steiner, Vice President Government & Industry Relations

The repeal of 2012's Proposition A is officially **Measure D.** The City moved to use the word "measure" a number of years ago to avoid confusion with statewide "propositions." The ballot title for Measure D is "Amendments to San Diego Municipal Code sections 22.4401 through 22.4406 and 22.4408 related to the use of project labor agreements on City of San Diego construction projects," which is a technical way of saying it repeals the popular citizens' initiative that was supported by 58% of the voters.

Over the last few weeks, AGC staff has been busy assembling a coalition of industry partners such as the **National Black Contractors Association**, **Western Electrical Contractors Association**, and the **Building Industry Association** of San Diego who will be negatively affected if Measure D passes. This coalition has been ramping up a campaign and raising the funds for this fight. We are also working to show voters how Measure D **discriminates against 80% of the local construction workforce** and hurts the very people it purports to help.

Last week, several items related to the campaign became public. The *Argument Against Measure D* features a broad coalition of signatories including, **Councilman Chris Cate**, **Abdur-Raheem Hameed** of the National Black Contractors Association, **Al Abdallah** of Urban League of San Diego County, **Bishop William Benson** of Pastors on Point San Diego, and affordable housing developer **Charles Davis** of Urban West Development. To read the *Argument Against Measure D*, click here. You can read the *Argument in Favor of Measure D* by clicking here.

As you know, the basis for this measure according to the proponents is to "safeguard" San Diego tax dollars alleging that Proposition A does not allow San Diego to receive state funding despite a specific carveout in Prop A language and no history of this happening. In fact, the City's own "fiscal analysis" had this to say: "As a charter city, San Diego's 2012 PLA prohibition may expose the City to loss of State funds for construction projects, **though to date there has been no such loss of State funds**. The City has relied on the 2012 prohibition's exception to continue pursuing State funding for projects, but it is unclear whether courts would rule that the City's exception to the PLA prohibition is sufficient for continued State funding eligibility. **Major State funding and loans awarded to the City for construction projects in fiscal years 2021 and 2022 were approximately \$123.4 million**

and \$697.0 million." To read the entire analysis, click <u>here.</u> If you would like to read the City Attorney's "impartial analysis" <u>click here.</u>

Over the next few months, we will keep you up-to-date on our campaign against Measure D. To make a donation, please click <u>here</u>.

Vote NO on city insiders using your tax dollars to overturn a popular citizens' initiative.

Vote NO on raising costs on taxpayers.

Vote NO on Discrimination.

Vote NO on D.

New Construction General Permit Poised for Adoption

By Mike McManus, Director of Engineering Construction & Industry Relations

The State Water Board will consider the **adoption** of a proposed new Construction General Permit at its regularly scheduled Board meeting on Thursday, September 8, 2022 9:30 a.m. via live video.

The new permit, as written, has drawn significant opposition from a broad construction industry coalition. The coalition has shared their concerns about the proposed statewide construction stormwater general permit (Permit) that would apply to all public and private construction projects throughout California. After two years of public workshops, written comments, and correspondence, it has become clear where this thing is going. The Water Board staff has ignored comments and suggestions from construction industry representatives and is moving forward.

The Permit, as currently drafted, has parts that industry experts say are unworkable and would significantly increase the cost and jeopardize the completion of thousands of projects throughout the state, including state and local transportation infrastructure, school construction, electric and water utility infrastructure, housing projects, and more.

The Permit proposes Numeric Effluent Limits (NEL) as a means of compliance for polluted or impaired watersheds that cover thousands of square miles in California. To comply with these strict standards, projects will be required to install costly active treatment systems (portable water treatment plants), as well as test water runoff samples to ensure stormwater runoff does not exceed the microscopic pollutant levels established for that surface water body.

In San Diego, NEL compliance will be required in only the Chollas Creek Watershed as the draft Permit stands today. That means projects in parts of La Mesa, Lemon Grove, Encanto, City Heights, Southcrest and Shelltown will have very expensive water treatment systems as part of any construction (1 acre or more). This could have the effect of driving developers to other neighborhoods and make City public works construction more difficult and costly in this part of San Diego.

The NEL approach is also deemed technically infeasible according to industry experts. The thresholds proposed are so low they cannot be achieved using any existing best management practices (BMPs), triggering immediate permit violations and enforcement. In fact, even the Biden Administration's Environmental Protection Agency, in its most recently released construction stormwater permit, did not incorporate NELs as a means of compliance.

This permit proposal would substantially increase costs for public works, infrastructure and private economic development projects by hundreds of millions of dollars – driving up costs for consumers and taxpayers – without any benefits to water quality. Much of the additional costs are for increased number of inspections, testing and reporting. For instance, a Caltrans analysis found that complying with this mandate would increase compliance costs four-fold.

Additionally, the permit proposal opens the door to new "bounty hunter lawsuits," much like Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Prop 65 lawsuits, where unscrupulous parties know that the threat of filing a lawsuit is enough to get someone to pay up to make it go away. Developers and construction companies will bear the burden of proving compliance.

The construction industry coalition is encouraging the State Water Board to adopt a permit that improves water quality by relying on a Best Management Practices (BMP) approach building off what occurs today and numeric action levels which would require permittees to address problems that arise without fear of incurring fines, penalties, and increased legal exposure.

We will be strongly encouraging the Board to abandon the NEL approach and pursue an alternative plan that will improve water quality without jeopardizing infrastructure and economic development projects.

For the text of the notice from the California State Water Board click here.

AGC Public Entities Dinner is Back

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Beach Cleanup and a Morning Stroll on the Beach

By Marcy Knopman, AGC Staff Liaison for Build & Serve Charitable Alliance

On Saturday, AGC member volunteers joined 100 other volunteers from Surfrider Foundation to help clean up Moonlight Beach in Encinitas. We were in pursuit to collect

any plastics, cigarette butts, glass, and anything else the wildlife could ingest. Surfrider equipped us with gloves, bags, and trash grabbers and then sent our team on our way.

I would like to thank the following volunteers:

Daniel Hildreth and his group - Southland Paving

Apryle Briede (and daughter Mallory) - Hazard Construction

Michael Ales - Equipment Share

Amanda Barbagallo (and fiancé Ben) - Atlas Technical Consultants

Desiree Ashmun and **Laura Cano** - Swinerton

We all felt we made a little bit of an impact, gave back to the community, met new people, and enjoyed a morning walk on the beach! I say it was a good day to be a volunteer!

GIVING BACK - UPCCOMING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



Computers 2 Kids - Distribution Day - Aug. 27

Computers 2 Kids provides refurbished computers in the homes of low-income families and distributes to schools.

We need volunteers to help distribute computers in San Marcos, Saturday, August 27, from 9:00am – 12:00pm. Volunteers will need to arrive by 8:30am.

The computer distribution will be a drive through held in the parking lot and all clients will remain in their cars. Wear closed toed shoes and your masks.

If interested, contact Twyla Perry at tperry@c2sdk.org PLUS email Marcy Knopman at marcy@agcsd.org so we can keep track of those who are volunteering.



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- Aug. 23 Silica CPT (Lakeside)
- Aug. 24 Preventing Harassment & Hostile Work Environment for Employees
- Aug. 24-25 USACE CQM-C Certification
- Aug. 25 Preventing Harassment & Hostile work Environment for Supervisors
- Aug. 25 Confined Space
- Aug. 25 BLUEBEAM REVU 20 BASICS (Lakeside)
- Aug. 31 CPR First Aid Training

JULY - DEC EDUCATION CATALOG



Training Calendar & Class Registration

For more information on classes, contact: Becca Schaffer, 619-592-4533

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COMMITTEE/COUNCIL MEETINGS

Committee Meeting Calendar

Get Involved - Join a Committee

AUGUST MEETINGS

Aug. 24 - 11:30 AM - Workforce Development - Lakeside

SEPTEMBER MEETINGS

Sept. 2 - 7:30 AM - Caltrans - Virtual

Sept. 7 - 7:00 AM - Safety Committee - Lakeside

Sept. 14 - 8:00 AM - Port - Virtual

Sept. 20 - 11:30 AM - Specialty Council - Lakeside

Sept. 21 - 11:30 AM - H.R. Practices Committee - Lakeside

Sept. 22 - 4:00 PM - Construction Leadership Council (CLC) - Lakeside

Sept. 22 - 1:00 PM - Water Authority - Virtual

Sept. 28 - 8:00 AM - Build & Service Charitable Alliance - Lakeside

AGC LOCATIONS



AGC East County Facility & Apprenticeship Training Center 10140 Riverford Road Lakeside, CA 92040

> (858) 558-7444 DIRECTIONS



AGC Government Affairs Office & Fall Protection Training Campus 6212 Ferris Square

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About Monday Morning Quarterback

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issues facing San Diego's construction industry. It is prepared by AGC Chief Executive Officer, Eddie Sprecco, and Vice President Government & Industry Relations, Dustin Steiner.

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Dollars Against Discrimination

By Dustin Steiner, Vice President Government & Industry Relations

As you know by now, **Measure D is officially on the ballot**. Measure D repeals the popular citizens' initiative from 2012 which ensures **fair and open competition** on City of San Diego projects by banning **discriminatory union-only Project Labor Agreements** (PLAs). AGC San Diego is working with a strong coalition of local construction associations including the National Black Contractors Association (**NBCA**), Western Electrical Contractors Association (**WECA**), and the Building Industry Association San Diego (**BIA**) to show voters how **Measure D discriminates against 80% of the local construction workforce and hurts the very people it purports to help.**

Make no mistake about it, we are up against a very powerful and influential political machine, and it will take **significant resources** to overcome the deceptive campaign that has already begun. Please join us by contributing whatever you can toward our fight against discrimination. The Committee, *San Diegans Against Discrimination*, *Opposing Measure D*, is officially open and can accept personal or corporate checks. Please see information below:

Full Committee Name: San Diegans Against Discrimination, Opposing Measure D, sponsored by the Associated General Contractors of America San Diego Chapter, Inc. **FEIN**: 88-3867843 (W-9 available upon request)

It is acceptable to make checks payable to **San Diegans Against Discrimination**. If you are mailing a check, please mail to:
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If you have any questions or would like to arrange a check pick-up, please e-mail me by **clicking here.**

The Federal Government Announces DBE Program Changes

By Mike McManus, Director of Engineering Construction & Industry Relations

As part of the Federal government's commitment to advancing equity and ensuring access to contracting opportunities, the Biden-Harris Administration and the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) recently issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM), in their words, to modernize the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) and Airport Concession DBE (ACDBE) program regulations.

Spanning nearly 40 years and mandated by Congress, the DBE and ACDBE programs are, according to the Administration, intended to prevent discrimination, and remedy the continuing effects of past discrimination against small businesses owned and controlled by disadvantaged individuals.

The stated goal of the updates is to further level the playing field for disadvantaged businesses that want to compete for federal aviation, highway, and transit contracts. The changes would update personal net worth and program size limits for inflation, modernize rules regarding material suppliers, make technical corrections that have led to substantive misinterpretations of the rules and more.

If approved, the DOT's DBE program updates would come at a critical time as small construction firms will help build federal projects funded through the \$1.2 trillion Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act. The IIJA stipulates that at least 10% of federal transportation and transit project funds go to DBE enterprises, and it also places an emphasis on prompt payment to DBE subcontractors.

This emphasis seems to be coming from a recent industry survey that found that contractors working on residential projects are more than twice as likely as those working on public projects to report getting paid within 30 days, with residential construction contractors saying they are paid in 30 days, or less, 48% of the time and public construction contractors saying that only happens 21% of the time.

In addition, significantly slow payments of 60 days, or more, are three times more likely on public construction projects than on residential construction projects, according to a recently released cash flow and payment report. Residential contractors say it happens rarely, just 6% of the time, while public project contractors say it happens nearly one out of five times (18%).

Proposed updates to the DBE program regulations include:

- Increase the personal net worth limit from \$1.32 million to \$1.6 million and exclude retirement assets from personal net worth calculations.
- Amend ownership and control certification eligibility requirements.
- Simplify the interstate certification process.
- Formally adopt COVID-19 flexibilities, such as virtual on-site visits.
- Reduce reporting requirements for certain Federal Transit Administration funding recipients.
- Empower certified firms to better market themselves to prime contractors via expanded state directories.
- Help more small businesses participate in Federal Aviation Administrationassisted airport projects by requiring airports to proactively remove obstacles and adopt more race-neutral strategies.
- Strengthen prompt payment monitoring and oversight requirements to ensure that DBE subcontractors are paid promptly.

DOT's Office of Civil Rights and counterparts at the FAA, FTA and Federal Highway Administration drew from internal research and stakeholder feedback to craft the new rules, according to the agency. The updates also include changes to the Airport Concession Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program.

A summary of the NPRM can be accessed here.

DOT invites comments to the NPRM from all interested parties, including funding recipients and project sponsors, firms participating or seeking to participate in USDOT assisted contracts, and the prime contracting community at large. Written comments to the Federal Register must be submitted using this link by September 19, 2022.

The USDOT will be hosting multiple public meetings beginning July 27, 2022. Sign up for the **GovDelivery DBE listserv** to receive updates throughout the notice and comment period, view the DBE/ACDBE NPRM **Webpage** to learn more about the rulemaking process, public meetings, and other information about the NPRM.

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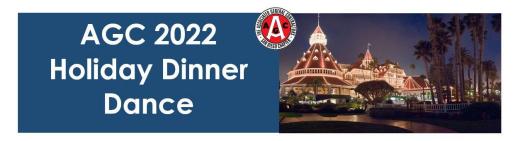
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The AGC 2022 Holiday Dinner Dance at the Hotel Del Coronado on December 3

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Start making your plans to attend the **best party of the year!**

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The AGC Holiday Dinner Dance is a San Diego construction industry tradition. For over 80 years, AGC San Diego members have been celebrating the holidays together during this elegant "black tie" affair. 2020 was the first time ever we had to cancel this festive event, and we hope we never have to again. This has always been one evening in which the industry takes a "time out" and celebrates together regardless of what is "going on" in the world.

With that, the AGC Meetings & Events Committee wanted a theme that will take you back to the decade that really celebrated good times, "The "Roaring 20's!"

Guests attending the Dinner Dance can choose to dress in formal attire as normal, or dress in tasteful attire supporting the theme.

<u>Click here</u> for a copy of the invitation. <u>Website registration link</u>.

There is no formal agenda, or long speeches, just fine dining, dancing, and good conversation with your friends in the industry.

If you can't fill a table, no worries. We will fill it for you with other couples who will be attending.

This year, we welcome back the Los Angeles "band of the year," The Trip.

Also, don't forget the Rady Children's Hospital & Polinsky Promises to Kids Toy Drive! Make a child glow this holiday season with a new toy and help us carry on a tradition established more than forty years ago. Please bring a new, unwrapped toy with you to display at the event, or you can drop one off at either the AGC office at Ferris Square or at Riverford Road in Lakeside. Drop offs needed by December 13. Toys will be delivered to Rady Children's Hospital and to the Polinsky Center the week before Christmas.

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AGC Members Apply Now for The Construction Innovation Award

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the construction industry. The committee has expanded and updated the award to encompass "technology and innovation" to highlight advancements in the industry. The application is now available for the 2022 Excellence in Construction Innovation Award.

Recent winners include **Bergelectric Corporation**, **Hensel Phelps**, and **C.W. Driver**. Award winner technologies featured have included usage on BIM integration to a project Cloud solution, drones on projects, and consolidating project and company data to one cloud program.

All active AGC Member companies can submit an application that documents "a technology or innovation process or solution" that was completed and implemented within the past two years and has not been previously submitted. The application includes six questions that must be answered about the technology or innovation and submitted before the application deadline.

The application deadline for the Construction Innovation Award is Friday, October 14, 2022, see application for details. Click here to download the application.

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- Sept. 13 Stormwater Webinar: COI for removing area
- Sept. 13 Construction Law, Scheduling impact Claims
- Sept. 13 Forklift Operator Training
- Sept. 14-15 CQM-C
- Sept. 15 Microsoft Excel Advanced
- Sept. 19 Fall Protection Competent Person Refresher
- Sept. 20 Prevailing Wage, Certified Payroll & Compliance Training
- Sept. 20-22 Fall Protection 24 Hour CPT for EM 385
- Sept. 20-22 Estimating Civil Construction 3-day Training (2 SEATS OPEN)
- Sept. 21 & 22- Supervisory Training Program
- Sept. 22 QuickBooks for Beginners
- Sept. 26-29 OSHA 30 Hour Construction Outreach
- Sept. 27 Construction Law, Critical Issues in Contract Negotiations
- Sept. 27 Project Management Bootcamp
- Sept. 28 CPR First Aid
- Sept.29 QuickBooks for Intermediate / Advanced
- Sept. 28-29 USACE CQM-C

JULY - DEC EDUCATION CATALOG



Training Calendar & Class Registration

For more information on classes, contact: Becca Schaffer, 619-592-4533





Committee Meeting Calendar

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SEPTEMBER MEETINGS

Sept. 2 - 7:30 AM - Caltrans - Virtual

Sept. 7 - 7:00 AM - Safety Committee - Lakeside

Sept. 14 - 8:00 AM - Port - Virtual

Sept. 20 - 11:30 AM - Specialty Council - Lakeside

Sept. 21 - 11:30 AM - H.R. Practices Committee - Lakeside

Sept. 22 - 4:00 PM - Construction Leadership Council (CLC) - Lakeside

Sept. 22 - 1:00 PM - Water Authority - Virtual

Sept. 30 - 11:00 AM - Technology Committee - Lakeside



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AGC Government Affairs Office & Fall Protection Training Campus

6212 Ferris Square San Diego, CA 92121 2nd floor DIRECTIONS

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