

## **Arizona Rock Products Association News Release**

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On Thursday, October 13, 2011, Mike Flynn with Granite Construction was awarded as the Arizona State Mine Inspector's Safety Professional of the Year at their Annual Fall Mine Mixer Conference. Mike is an excellent safety representative for Granite Construction Company, the Arizona Rock Products Association (ARPA) and the mining industry as a whole. He has made substantial contributions to ARPA, the Association's Safety Committee as well as special committees and projects.



Mike epitomizes everything a safety manager and leader should be and more. ARPA and his peers hold him in the highest regard for his expertise and willingness to assist. He has an excellent rapport with members of the mining safety community, regulatory agencies and his peers. He has been active in the industry and always a strong proponent, resource and advocate for safety.

Currently, Mike serves as the Regional Safety Manager for the Arizona Region of Granite Construction Company and oversees the entire safety program. He also has oversight on all airfield and building construction completed by the Arizona Branch as well as safety oversight of all State and Federal mine properties and equipment and responsible for reporting and settling all safety related issues.

Mike's safety related affiliations, certifications and honors include, but are not limited to serving on the Arizona State Grant Advisory Council for Arizona State Mine Inspector's Office, serving two terms on the Occupational Safety and Health Review Board, and leadership roles as Safety Chairman for the Tucson Utility Contractors Association, Associated General Contractors and the Arizona Rock Products Association. He has been awarded with the AGC Safety Professional of the Year in 2003 and 2007, the ARPA Safety Professional of the Year in 2004 and 2008, the 2004 CEO Award Mothers Against Drunk Drivers, and the ARPA Safety Committee Member of the Year Award in 2005.

In addition, Mike is a Mine Safety and health Administrative Instructor, ADOSH Excavation Awareness and Safety Trainer, AHERA 40hr Asbestos Supervisor, Certified EMT, American Heart Association Healthcare Provider, Heartsaver CPR Instructor and First Aid Trainer. Mike is classified as a competent person for frame scaffolding, excavation and trenching and fall protection, confined space, forklift safety trainer, lock out/tag out electrical safety, asbestos cement pipe, respiratory protection and personal protection equipment fit testing expert.

A cornerstone of Mike's accomplishments includes the founding of the Friends and Families of Highway Workers group. This critical alliance has channeled unprecedented attention to the issues of highway safety as it pertains to construction zones and education of countless numbers of people. Congratulations Mike Flynn, the Arizona State Mine Inspector's Safety Professional of the Year.



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*For over 50 years, the Arizona Rock Products Association (ARPA) has been providing representation for over 50 member companies involved with the production of aggregates, asphaltic concrete, ready mix concrete, asphalt, lime products, and portland cement. Our members, along with over 40 associate members providing related transportation, contracting, and consulting services, make ARPA one of the most influential public and private policy advocates in Arizona today.*