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ARPA e-News

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EPA Administrator Announces Plan to Reinvigorate Clean Water Enforcement Program

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Lisa P. Jackson announced October 15 at a House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee hearing that the agency is stepping up its efforts on Clean Water Act (CWA) enforcement. The Clean Water Action Enforcement Plan is a first step in re-vamping the compliance and enforcement program. It seeks to improve protection of water quality, raise the bar in federal and state performance and enhance public transparency.

The new EPA plan outlines how the agency will strengthen the way it addresses the water pollution challenges including pollution caused by numerous sources, such as contaminated water that flows from industrial facilities, construction sites, and runoff from urban streets. EPA is already 24 months into a three year national enforcement campaign to address storm water runoff from ready mixed concrete and aggregate operations.

- John Hayden, National Stone, Sand & Gravel Association

Meetings/Events

ARPA Board of Directors Meeting:

The next Board of Director's meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 21st at 8:30am at the ARPA office.

ARPA Member Hosting Fundraiser for Councilman Sal DiCiccio:

Tuesday, October 20th
5:30pm-7:30pm
Brown and Caldwell
201 E. Washington, Suite 500
For more information and to RSVP for the event, please contact:
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ARPA Sponsors Memorial of Senator Jake Flake

Arizona Rock Products Association's very own Government Relations Director, Rusty Bowers sculpted a memorial bust of the late Senator Jake Flake. The bronze sculpture will be displayed in Snowflake, AZ. A replica can also be admired at the State Capitol building.



ARPA has Presentation on the Employee Free Choice Act (EFCA)

On Wednesday, October 14, 2009 ARPA's Human Resources Committee held their monthly meeting to discuss the Employee Free Choice Act (EFCA). ARPA member, Tery Tennant of Attainment, Inc. gave an informative presentation regarding proactive measures for increasing employee engagement, productivity and satisfaction. Tery also offered an "Employee Free Choice Act (EFCA) Preparedness" questionnaire for members to use as a tool for implementing best practices. If you would like a copy of the questionnaire, please contact Laura Post at ARPA, 602-271-0346. The next Human Resources Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 11th at 9am in the ARPA meeting room.



ARPA Invites Candidate Ben Buehler-Garcia to Southern Meeting

The Southern ARPA committee met on Wednesday, October 14, 2009 with guest Ben Buehler-Garcia, who is running for Tucson City Council, Ward 3. For over twenty years, Buehler has worked in the areas of economic & community development, small business advocacy and organizational management. His plan includes moving Tucson in the right direction through prosperity, public safety and pride by implementing a "business friendly" city policy with an emphasis on repairing the vital city infrastructure.

Member News

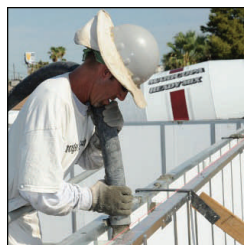
ARPA Member Spearheads First Concrete Habitat for Humanity® Home



Salt River Materials Group (SRMG) broke ground on a concrete home for Habitat for Humanity in August 2009. Partnering with Phoenix-area contractors and suppliers to demonstrate "green" building technologies in the first concrete Habitat for Humanity® home in Arizona. The home is constructed with above-grade concrete walls, conditioned attic space that includes spray foam in the roof deck, and energy-efficient windows and HVAC equipment. These elements

combine to allow the home to reach the coveted "Net Zero" energy designation. The project's additional "green" products will contribute to an overall LEED® for Homes Platinum designation. Among 200 entries, the Habitat home was selected to be in the "Contemporary Desert Living Tour" sponsored by the U.S. Green Building Council and will be featured at the Greenbuild® International Conference and Expo in November in Phoenix.

For more information please visit: www.netzerohabitat.com



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*ABC Sand & Rock:
Accident Free Award*



*Eric Mears, Brown and Caldwell;
Laurie Swartzbaugh, State Mine
Inspector's Office; Mike Young,
Brown and Caldwell*



*Ben Dorris: Statewide
Safety Professional
of the Year*

Vulcan Materials: No Lost Time Accidents



Mesa Plant



Black Angus Plant



Litchfield Plant



West 43rd Plant



Val Vist Plant



Sun City Plant



Marana Plant

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