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INDUSTRY NEWS

Action Alert - Expanded Buy America Requirements

By AGC Staff

THE LATEST: The Biden administration may finalize rules and hastily implement **expanded Buy America requirements** on federally assisted construction projects with little consideration for ongoing supply chain woes, existing domestic manufacturing capacity, or a realistic plan to expand that capacity over time. Tell the Biden administration how these rules will impact your projects and workforce.

WHY IT MATTERS: Contractors continue to struggle with significant delays or non-availability of construction materials or products—placing tremendous strain on field workers managing project schedule and costs. If finalized, these rules could:

- **Require contractors to rip out and replace at their cost** non-compliant materials on ongoing projects;
- **Push small businesses—including women-owned, minority-owned, and disadvantaged business enterprises—out of the market** because of a lack of resources to track and legally certify source-specific items, or an inability to secure agreements with domestic suppliers or manufacturers; and
- **Further delay projects** because of the need for additional time for estimator investigation and research, complete project redesign, project rescope, or government/engineer estimate rewrites.

Among the proposed changes, the administration is exploring expanding Buy America requirements on:

- Cement, aggregates, and their binding agents
- Coatings (e.g., paints and stains), bricks, and engineered wood products
- Non-ferrous metals (non-iron metals, including but not limited to aluminum, copper, and alloys)
- Plastic and polymer-based products (including but not limited to PVC, composite building materials, and polymers used in fiber optic cables)
- Glass (including but not limited to fiber optic glass), lumber, drywall, and more

THE DETAILS: To be Buy America compliant, **all manufacturing processes for construction materials must take place in the U.S.** If such materials are not available, **the White House must approve a waiver** for use of non-domestically produced items on federal-aid construction projects. [Read more about the proposed major changes to Buy America requirements for more information.](#)

WHAT TO DO: Tell the Biden administration how it should apply these new proposed rules using a prewritten message by [clicking here](#) to add your own personal message on which construction materials will face significant challenges in complying with new requirements or shortages that are impacting your projects and bids.

Dam Safety in California: Ignored

By Mike McManus, Director of Engineering Construction and Industry Relations

California has a long history of cataclysmic floods, which have occurred about every 200 to 400 years, most recently in the 1860s. If a mega-flood happened today, it could swamp the state's Central Valley and cause more than \$1 trillion in damage. And, catastrophic failures at the state's dams could flood the homes of millions of California residents and overwhelm key infrastructure.

California also has a long history of management failures. We have had fair warning on the dangerous state of some of our dams, but the state of California is choosing not to prioritize the funding of dam maintenance and reconstruction projects. That is a dangerous failure of our elected officials. We had a close call in 2017 at the nation's tallest dam, but the memories in Sacramento are short.

Over 180,000 residents of California living about 60 miles north of Sacramento fled their homes on short notice on Feb. 12, 2017, after the primary and emergency spillways of the state-owned Oroville Dam — the nation's tallest dam, built in 1968 — suffered serious damage.

Heavy rains over the previous month had filled the dam's reservoir, and release of turbulent floodwaters through the dam's primary spillway tore enormous scour holes in the concrete structure. The damage forced dam operators to allow water to spill over the top of the emergency spillway and eventually caused a \$1.1 billion repair project--done by an AGC prime contractor.

In California, as is the case for much of the U.S., dams are aging, and in poor shape. The 2021 American Society of Civil Engineers [Infrastructure Report Card](#) assigned the U.S. a "D" grade ("Poor/At Risk") for the dangerous state of its dams, the same grade the dams have received in the society's assessments since the first one was issued in 1998. The report also stated that an estimated investment of \$28 billion is needed to adequately refurbish the nation's federal dams.

A 2022 report from the Association of State Dam Officials estimated that \$76 billion is needed to refurbish non-federal dams. Most dams in the U.S. are privately owned, leaving owners responsible for the costs of upkeep. Those costs steadily increase as a dam ages, leading many owners to abandon them.

The \$1 trillion infrastructure bill signed in 2021 by President Joe Biden will pump about \$3 billion into dam-related projects, including hundreds of millions for state dam safety programs and repairs.

Unfortunately, it is difficult to assess which dams in California may pose the greatest risk to lives and property in a mega-flood. That's because the conditions of many U.S. dams are kept secret from the public, listed as "not available" in the National Inventory of Dams, because of terrorism concerns, and no potential inundation maps are made available. However, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers updated the database in 2021 to include hazard ratings, condition assessments, and inundation maps for more than one-quarter of the dams.

A 2022 Associated Press analysis identified 15 high-hazard California dams in "unsatisfactory condition," the worst rating, or "poor condition," the second worst. By definition, a high-hazard dam is one whose failure could result in loss of life. Four of those dams were San Diego water supply dams that were downgraded from fair to poor condition after 2019 because of deterioration and concerns they could fail in an earthquake or extraordinary rainfall. As a result, the high-hazard dams at El Capitan, Hodges, and Morena reservoirs all are restricted to holding less than their capacities for safety reasons.

One concerning example of the vulnerability of California's infrastructure to a mega-flood is the potential failure of the Whittier Narrows Dam on the San Gabriel River in the eastern Los Angeles metro area, built in 1957.

In 2019, a safety study by the Corps of Engineers found that the dam's foundation was at risk of erosion during extremely high rainfall events. Failure scenarios could occur when water exceeds the capacity of the reservoir and flows over the top of the dam, eroding it, or when water flows through the foundation beneath the dam, eroding it. If a dam failure were to occur, a wall of water would flood downstream areas, including many major roadways and highways that are considered evacuation routes.

1.2 million people could be flooded by a failure of the dam, according to the Corps, with a potential economic cost of over \$6 billion. That is just one of the fifteen vulnerable dams in California.

The Corps performed emergency repair work on the dam's gates and locks in 2018 and 2019 and is working on a \$412 million project to upgrade the dam. Some work has

already begun, including the rerouting of utility lines. Major construction is scheduled to begin in 2024.

MEMBER NEWS



Dusan Selezan Recognized with 2023 “Rising Aztec Award”

Congratulations to **Dusan Selezan**, Development Manager for *Balfour Beatty* for being recognized by **San Diego State** for his many contributions to the University as an Alum. Dusan served on the AGC Board of Directors, as Construction Leadership Council Chair, and as Reno Competition Chair in support of the AGC Student Chapter. Throughout his career, Dusan has been a strong advocate and supporter of the SDSU Construction programs, with both his time and treasure – this award is well deserved.

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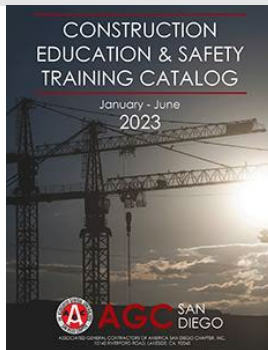
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Announcing the AGC's First "Red & Black" Poker Tournament / Casino Night Mixer – April 21

From the AGC 2023 Specialty Contractors Council

Ante up for a worthy cause!

The AGC Specialty Contractors Council will be hosting the first ever, industry-wide, mixer event to support students in the SDSU Construction Management Programs. The entire construction community benefits from cultivating talent in our backyard, so we wanted to open our doors to a wide variety of industry professionals.

Open to AGC members and non-members alike, attendees will experience a new networking event like no other! Leaders of industry associations have invited their members and we are excited to be the host, showcase the AGC, and bring the construction community together.

Join us and your friends in the industry on **April 21** at the AGC Lakeside Training Facility, along with SDSU faculty, and past scholarship winners and graduates.

Registration includes casino games, food, drinks, and prizes! The Poker Tournament is limited to 64 players and includes mixer registration.

- **Event will begin at 4:00 p.m.**

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I'll bet your competitors will be there, will you?

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Old California Bridges to Get Needed Repairs

By Mike McManus, Director of Engineering Construction and Industry Relations

The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law calls for repair or replacement of more than 2,400 bridges across the country. Passed at the end of 2021 by a coalition of moderate Republican and Democratic lawmakers, the legislation allocated roughly \$40 billion for bridge repairs, including roughly \$5.5 billion disbursed in the first year.

According to data from the American Society of Civil Engineers, as many as 7.5% of the nation's 617,000 bridges are considered structurally deficient, while 42% are more than 50 years old. The total investment needed to address the national backlog of bridge repairs could be as high as \$125 billion.

The term "structurally deficient" is a technical engineering term used to classify bridges according to serviceability and essentiality for public use. Bridges are considered "structurally deficient" if significant load-carrying elements are found to be in poor or worse condition due to deterioration or damage. The fact that a bridge is classified as "structurally deficient" does not mean that it is unsafe for use by the public. Classification as "structurally deficient" may mean that the bridge is not capable of safely carrying its originally designed load, but is safe to remain in public use with a lower capacity restriction. If a bridge is unsafe, it is closed to public use.

Agencies that own the country's bridges consider the inspection of our nearly 600,000 bridges to be of vital importance and invest significant funds in bridge inspection activities each year. They strive to ensure that the quality of our bridge inspection program is maintained at the highest level and that our funds are utilized as effectively as possible.

This program of inspections is called the National Bridge Inspection Program (NBIS) which was created in response to the collapse, in 1967, of the Silver Bridge over the Ohio River between West Virginia and Ohio, which killed 46 people. At the time of that collapse, the exact number of highway bridges in the United States was unknown, and there was no systematic bridge inspection program to monitor the condition of existing bridges.

In the Federal-aid Highway Act of 1968, Congress directed the Secretary of Transportation in cooperation with State highway officials to establish: (1) NBIS for the proper safety inspection of bridges, and (2) a program to train employees involved in bridge inspection to carry out the program. As a result, the NBIS regulation was developed, a bridge inspector's training manual was prepared, and a comprehensive training course, based on the manual, was developed to provide specialized training.

Here in California bridge inspections are carried out by Caltrans.

Of the 25,810 bridges in the state, 1,547, or 6.0% are classified as structurally deficient. This is down from 1,812 bridges classified as structurally deficient in 2018. The deck area of structurally deficient bridges accounts for 6.3 percent of total deck area on all structures. 182 of the structurally deficient bridges are on the Interstate Highway System. A total of 66.1% of the structurally deficient bridges are not on the National Highway

System, which includes the Interstate and other key roads linking major airports, ports, rail, and truck terminals.

549 bridges are posted for load, which may restrict the size and weight of vehicles crossing the structure. The state has identified needed repairs on 1,856 bridges at an estimated cost of \$12.4 billion. This compares to 5,093 bridges that needed work in 2018. Great progress has been made due to the efforts of the construction industry partnering with Caltrans.

The topmost travelled structurally deficient bridges in San Diego are:

Bridge	Year Constructed	Daily Traffic
Interstate 5 at Loma Alta Creek	1953	203,000
Interstate 805 at Telegraph Canyon	1971	199,000
State Route 125 at Panorama Drive	1957	183,000

According to the United States Department of Transportation's National Bridge Index, more than half (about 54%) of California bridges are in "fair" or "poor" condition. However, help is coming in the form of funding.

Billions of federal dollars are on the way to help improve and modernize bridges, according to Caltrans. The state received about \$850 million last year and expects \$4.2 billion over the next five years to fix the state's bridges. Caltrans has stated that bridges that are rated "poor" will get highest priority for funding.

MEMBER NEWS

Welcome New Members

The AGC Board of Directors and AGC staff welcome the following new members to AGC San Diego Chapter.

- [Abatix](#)
- [AMG Demolition & Environmental Services](#)
- [CHDS, Inc. dba Curtis Drilling](#)
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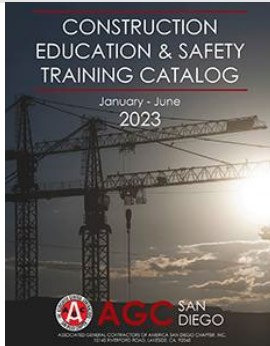
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INDUSTRY NEWS

AGC San Diego Members Take Home Top Honors

By Dustin Steiner, Vice President Government and Industry Relations

Last week, at AGC's Annual Convention in Las Vegas, Nevada, San Diego member firms won **three FIRST PLACE awards**, **two SECOND PLACE awards**, and the **GRAND AWARD**, which goes to the "Best of the Best" of all the first-place winners, for **Construction Safety Excellence**.

This year's competition was held in 18 separate categories based upon type of work (*building, construction management, heavy, utility infrastructure, specialty, highway, service & supplier*), and the number of work hours completed.

The following firms won in the AGC San Diego local competition and went on to place in five of the national categories as well as winning the Grand Award:



Heavy Division
Sundt Construction, Inc.:
1st Place
Over 800,000 work hours



Utility & Infrastructure Division
TC Construction Company, Inc.:
1st Place
Over 400,000 work hours



Highway and Transportation Division
Herzog Contracting Corp.:
2nd Place
Over 800,000 work hours



Specialty Division
Helix Electric:
2nd Place
Over 4 million work hours



Building Division
BNBuilders:
2nd Place
Over 800,000 work hours



**Grand Award
and 1st Place Building Division - Over 800,000 work hour
Hensel Phelps**

Build America Awards

Mid-Coast Transit Constructors (MCTC) is the recipient of three major AGC of America - Build America Awards: the AGC Grand Award, Build America Award, and Marvin M. Black Partnering Award of Merit. MCTC is a fully integrated joint venture of **Skanska, Stacy and Witbeck**, and **Herzog Contracting Corp.** The three awards recognize MCTC for their incredible work on the *Mid-Coast Corridor Transit CMGC project*, a \$1.4B extension of the San Diego Blue Line Trolley which opened for revenue service in November 2021.

Sundt Construction, Inc. won a Build America Award in the Design-Build Building category for their work on the *San Diego International Airport Support Facilities*. The project involved constructing four buildings spread over three separate sites and installing a 3.2-million-gallon underground stormwater containment cistern.



Mid-Coast Transit Constructors



Sundt Construction, Inc.

Congratulations to **Thomas L. Brown**, *Sierra Pacific West, Inc.* for being installed as the National AGC Sr. Vice President. Tom will be installed as our **2024 AGC National President** when the National Convention is held in San Diego next year. In addition, **Jeff Harper** *Harper Construction*, received an award as retiring Chair for Federal & Heavy Construction Division.

A special shout out goes to the **AGC's Safety Committee Chair Adam Mack**, *Sundt Construction, Inc.*, **Vice Chair Luke Brown**, *Lusardi Construction*, and **AGC Safety Director, Vince Hundley** of *SMART Safety Group* for getting these safety winners to the finish line.

Congratulations to all our award winners and recognized members!

AGC MEMBERS – We Want To Hear From You - SURVEY DUE MARCH 22

By Eddie Sprecco, AGC CEO

[Take the Survey Now!](#)

The survey should take no more than 10 minutes to complete and will **close Wednesday, March 22** to give members a chance to share their opinions and experiences.



Announcing the AGC's First "Red & Black" Poker Tournament / Casino Night Mixer – April 21

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Ante up for a worthy cause!

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Open to AGC members and non-members alike, attendees will experience a new networking event like no other! Leaders of industry associations have invited their members and we are excited to be the host, showcase the AGC, and bring the construction community together.

Join us and your friends in the industry on **April 21** at the AGC Lakeside Training Facility, along with SDSU faculty, and past scholarship winners and graduates.

Registration includes casino games, food, drinks, and prizes! The Poker Tournament is limited to 64 players and includes mixer registration.

- **Event will begin at 4:00 p.m.**

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Other sponsorship opportunities are still available, including 1 more bar sponsor, 1 more food sponsor, 3 poker table sponsors and 6 silver sponsors.

[Click here](#) for the sponsor form with more information and help support SDSU Scholarships that we all benefit from.

Contact Rae Krushensky at raek@agcsd.org with any questions.

I'll bet your competitors will be there, will you?



**AGC Affiliate Mixer -
Thursday, March 30, 2023**

*By Pam Scholefield, AGC Affiliate
Council Chairwoman*

Have you registered to attend the
AGC Mixer on March 30? **If not, do
so now and join us at Tom Ham's**

Lighthouse on Harbor Island from 4:40 p.m. tp 6:30 p.m.

Enjoy the view of the San Diego skyline at this free afternoon networking event. We encourage our member firms to stay connected, and invite their PM's, PE's, estimating and

scheduling staff, and anyone else in their firm that would benefit from socializing with others in the industry. AGC San Diego networking events are a great way for you and your employees to meet the general contractors, superintendents and project managers working on San Diego's biggest construction projects.

This is a member-only event and pre-registration is required!

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER ONLINE!](#)

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

All member companies are welcome to sponsor an exhibitor table at the event to reach out to the membership and grow their business. Yes, that means General Contractors, Subcontractors, and Affiliates can set up a table to promote and market your services to the membership.

New Sponsors:

Colonial Life, Good-Men Roofing & Construction, Layfield Geosynthetics

Join our growing **Sponsors** below in supporting this event to ensure all AGC members are invited to attend at no charge.

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[SC Fuels](#)

The **Affiliate Mixer** will have an EXPO type atmosphere with **sponsors** receiving a table to market your company and give out promotional materials.

- Exhibitors can display product samples, promotional materials, etc.
- Sponsoring company names will be prominently displayed on a sign in the room.
- **Platinum level sponsors** will be given choice placement by the entrance and bar areas.

A running slide show will display AGC event photos and sponsor logos and ads depending on their level of sponsorship:

- **Silver sponsor's logos** will be displayed on the screen with other Silver Sponsors (6 companies per screen)
- **Gold sponsors** will share "screen time" with another Gold Sponsor (2 companies per screen)
- **Platinum sponsors receive "full screen" ads**

[Click here for the Sponsor Form!](#)

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AGC/EGCC Golf Classic- June 5 at "The Heights Golf Club"

New Update! **There are only 6 foursomes remaining** to play in the EGCC Spring Golf Classic at The Heights Golf Club on **Monday, June 5.**

Thank you to our Title Sponsors: **RDO Equipment Company and Vulcan Materials Company.**



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[CLICK HERE](#) for the registration form and tournament details.

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Note that exhibitors to bring their own pop-up tents. The course will provide 1 table and 2 chairs for each exhibitor. We will display signs for all the hole sponsors, contest sponsors, and beverage sponsors.

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"The San Diego Humane Society creates a more humane world by inspiring compassion, providing hope, and advancing the welfare of animals by keeping healthy and treatable animals from being euthanized."

We hope to see you, your family/friends, and your furry friends on May 6. Let's help save animals' lives!

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“Call for Entries” for the 2023 AGC Build San Diego Awards

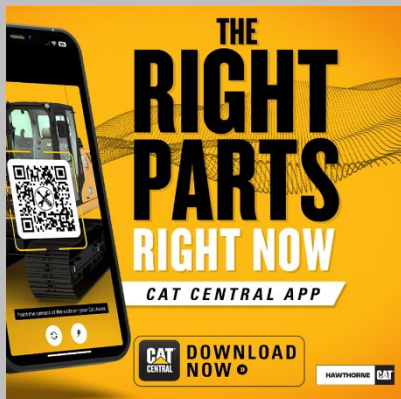
By Rae Krushensky, Director of Meetings & Events and Member Services

It's time to start working on your entries for the prestigious [AGC Build San Diego Awards](#) Program. The awards recognize San Diego's most impressive construction projects, ranging across the building, highway & transportation, underground & utility infrastructure, and heavy division categories.

Project submission due by noon August 31.

The event is scheduled for November 14, 2023.

[INFORMATION / CALL FOR ENTRIES](#)



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COMMITTEE MEETINGS

MARCH MEETINGS

March 22 - **Build & Serve Charitable Alliance** - 7:30 AM @ Foley & Lardner
March 22 - **County of San Diego** - 1:00 PM - Virtual
March 23 - **CLC** - Job Walk -3:30 PM
March 24 - **Technology Committee** - 11:00 AM - Lakeside
March 29 - **Water Authority** - 12:45 p.m. - Virtual



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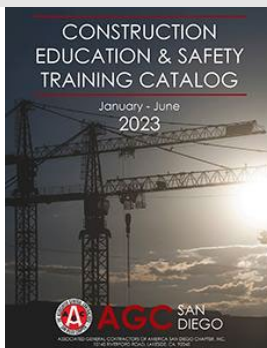
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2023 schedule for [AGC EDGE](#) Virtual Courses. Make sure to mark AGC San Diego for referral chapter.



[2023 Training Calendar and Class Registration](#)

January 2023 - June 2023
Education & Safety Training Catalog

If you do not see a class that your team needs, please contact the AGC San Diego Education Department to check upcoming schedule or to schedule a group training session.

[Becca Schaffer](#), 619-592-4533

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AGC MEMBERS – We Want To Hear From You - SURVEY EXTENDED TO APRIL 4

By Eddie Sprecco, AGC CEO

Thank you AGC Members for taking time to complete the member survey! While the response has been good so far, we are shooting for great – the survey has been **extended to April 4**, and we will select one additional raffle prize winner!

A third-party company randomly selected the two raffle winners - Congratulations to **Charles M. West** of *Angus Asphalt* and **Lyndsi Summers** of *EC Constructors*! Winners will be emailed directly to claim their prize.

[Take the Survey Now!](#)

INDUSTRY NEWS

Back on the Left Coast

By Mike McManus, Director of Engineering Construction & Industry Relations

Two weeks ago, many of AGC San Diego members attended the AGC of America 2023 National Convention which included CONEXPO; North America's largest construction trade show.

The CONEXPO trade show had a large contingent of battery electric construction equipment, large excavators, and loaders among other impressive equipment. The general impression was that the initial cost of purchase for battery electric equipment might be as high as three times an equivalent diesel-powered piece of equipment. Several representatives shared that the time to charge one of these beasts would take about nine hours and for that, one could get four hours of work done on that charge. I don't believe these pieces of equipment are available in North America, but it looks like they may be at some point. This brings to mind the many questions that need to be answered in order to make electric vehicles and equipment really work.

Last year, here in California, the Legislature signed off on a commitment to spend \$10 billion, over the next five years, on the evolution of our transportation system, to support the transition to zero emission passenger vehicles in the future. This builds on the \$14.2 billion outlined for zero emission vehicles (ZEV) and charging infrastructure for the entire country, in the Inflation Reduction Act. But this seems a drop in the bucket. Transitioning to a green economy, according to the experts, is going to take massive resources. The estimates suggest it'll cost at least \$150 billion to transition to 100% ZEV sales.

One attempt to create a funding stream for the transition to ZEV's was Prop. 30, which was on the 2022 ballot, would have imposed a 1.75% personal income tax increase on the top-earning Californians — for the share of their income above \$2 million to fund a suite of climate programs. The goal, according to the authors, was to clean up the state's dirty air and help meet ambitious greenhouse gas reduction targets. This highly contentious measure failed, with about 58% of voters saying “no.”

The proposition would have created a new revenue stream to subsidize zero emission vehicles and fund wildfire response and prevention — between \$3.5 billion to \$5 billion annually, growing over time, according to state analysts. Had Proposition 30 passed, the 2022 ballot initiative would have created sustainable funding — \$80 billion over 20 years — to close the gap and evolve our transportation system. Since it failed, state leaders need to look for new revenue streams to fund this transition.

Since California will only get a portion of the federal Inflation Reduction Act funds, we still have more than a \$130 billion gap after a proposed \$6 billion cut to the state climate budget.

California has some of the most ambitious climate goals in the world. Just last year, the California Air Resources Board (CARB) approved [regulations that require all new cars](#) to be zero emissions vehicles by 2035. This is an interesting goal that will help phase out the sale of internal combustion vehicles in California. But it only changes the supply side of the equation. State leaders have not addressed the demand side of our transition to what's actually going to be driven in the year 2035.

To make ZEVs more affordable, convenient, and accessible, California needs to increase investments in clean car rebates and charging infrastructure. The pace of implementation is not keeping up with the stated goals of state leaders.

Recent reports show that we need to [reduce pollution at a rate four times faster](#) than our current pace to even have a chance at the goals California has already set. To date, the money set aside seems to be a drop in the bucket for all the needed infrastructure to meet a passenger vehicle goal that is only twelve years away. Meanwhile, the CARB mandates remain in place despite every piece of evidence that says, the state has no plan and little money in place to make the mandates work in the real world here on the “Left Coast.”

Register Now for AGC of America's Upcoming Webinar: Implementation of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act: What Every Contractor Should Know and Prepare For

Signed into law in November 2021, Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), or Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), is the most significant infusion of investment in our

infrastructure since the enactment of the Interstate Highway System in the mid-1950s. It provides market opportunities for highway contractors, direct federal contractors, building contractors, utility contractors, and other markets. And it demonstrates to our existing and future workforce that there is sustainable work in the years to come.

So how much of the money has been accounted for? Are there hurdles that have slowed down anticipated projects from this increased funding? This four-part webinar series will provide contractors with an update on the new law and what they should expect in the years to come. Experts from the federal government, all the way down to the local level, will provide an update on the law's impact on rebuilding the nation's infrastructure. In addition, participants will hear from economists and regulatory experts which will help them make informed decisions before bidding on projects.

The first installment comes to you live **this Wednesday!** Don't miss it! To see the details including topics and speakers or to register, click on the following link:

[Webinar Series: Implementation of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act: What Every Contractor Should Know and Prepare For | Associated General Contractors of America \(agc.org\)](https://www.agc.org/webinar-series-implementation-of-the-infrastructure-investment-and-jobs-act-what-every-contractor-should-know-and-prepare-for)

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Share Your Knowledge By Completing Technology Trends Survey

Good surveys are hard to come by and good survey results are only as good as the input they receive. The construction industry does not have that many comprehensive surveys that show what is happening

with technology trends in our industry. For many years, one of the best surveys out there has been the JBKnowledge Construction Technology Report. After 10 years of providing the survey, JBKnowledge has now passed the torch on to Texas A&M University to conduct and analyze the survey. Participating in the survey will allow you to be the first to receive the results when they are released.

We urge you to help our industry by participating in the latest 2022 Construction Technology Report by clicking on the following link:

<https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/7107810/2022-ConTech-Survey>

If you would like to review prior Construction Technology Reports from JBKnowledge over the past 10 years then [click here](#) for the survey archive, starting with the 2021 survey.

Thanks for your help to provide valuable feedback and data for our industry.

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EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION ENDS MARCH 31

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[2022 WALK FOR ANIMALS PHOTOS](#)

Volunteers Needed



Senior Smoke Alarm Project - Volunteers Needed - Saturday, June 24

AGC has partnered with the **Burn Institute** to install smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors at a senior mobile home park in Escondido, Saturday, June 24 from 8:30 AM to 1:00 PM.

This will be the third senior mobile home park that the AGC Build & Serve Charitable Alliance has installed alarms to help save seniors' lives. **We are looking for 20-25 volunteers who are vaccinated and would like to help the senior community.**

Please complete the [online application](#), then email [Marcy Knopman](#) that you will be volunteering and the address of the park will be provided. A brief training and light refreshments at 8:30 AM, then installation at 9:00 AM as you work in teams. What a great way to spend a few hours on a Saturday where you can make a difference to seniors, plus feel good about your efforts!

Cubbies for Boys & Girls Club



New Cubbies Needed - Boys & Girls Club in Carmel Valley

The Boys & Girls Club is seeking our help in removing old cubbies built into the wall, and create three new portable units of 6 cubbies each with casters for a place the kids can hang backpacks and store personal items. The Maintenance Director would like have this project completed by June 3. If AGC companies are able to donate materials, tools, or volunteers, please contact. [Marcy Knopman](#) (619) 592-4527.



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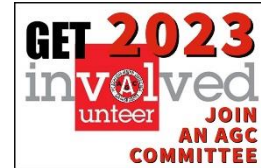
COMMITTEE MEETINGS

MARCH COMMITTEE MEETINGS

March 29 - **Water Authority** - 12:45 p.m. - Virtual

APRIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS

April 5 - 7:00 AM - **Safety Committee** – Lakeside
April 5 - 11:30 AM - **HR Practices Committee** – Lakeside
April 13 - 1:30 PM - **SDUSD Liaison** – Virtual
April 19 - 9:30 AM - **City of San Diego** – Lakeside
April 19 - **Construction Leadership Council (CLC)** @ TBA
April 20 - 9:45 AM - **NAVFAC** – Lakeside
April 26 - 11:45 AM - **Airport Liaison** – Virtual



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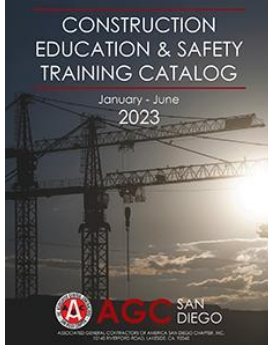
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March 29 - **Project Management Bootcamp** - Lakeside
March 30 - **Microsoft Word Advanced Training** - offsite

APRIL CLASSES

April 10 - **Microsoft Word Intermediate Training** - Offsite
April 10 - **Fall Protection Competent Person Retraining for EM 385** - Ferris
April 11 - **QuickBooks for Beginners** - Offsite
April 11 - **Construction Law: Advanced Construction Contract Negotiations** - Lakeside
April 12 - **MS Excel Intermediate Training** - Offsite
April 12 - **Estimating Basics** - Lakeside
April 12 & 13 - **USACE CQM-C Training** (10 seats open) - Virtual
April 13 - **Construction Scheduling Training** - Lakeside
April 13 - **Trenching & Excavating Training** - Ferris
April 17-19 - **Fall Protection 24-Hour CPT** - Ferris
April 18 - **QuickBooks Advanced Users** - Offsite
April 18 - 20 - **NAVFAC Trenching & Excavating CPT** - Ferris
April 19 - **MS Excel Advanced Training** - Offsite
April 20 - **Scaffold 8-hour CPT** - Ferris
April 24 - **The Construction Leader** (15 Seats open) - Lakeside
April 24-28 - **EM 385-1-1 40-Hour** - Lakeside
April 25 - 27 **Estimating Civil Construction** (12 seats open) - Lakeside

April 26 & 27 - **USACE CQM-C Training** - *Virtual*

2023 schedule for [AGC EDGE](#) Virtual Courses. *Make sure to mark AGC San Diego for referral chapter.*



2023 Training Calendar and Class Registration

January 2023 - June 2023
Education & Safety Training Catalog

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