## MACAPA UPDATE

Summer 2020

## Winter 2020-2021 Activities

MaCAPA Website—In November the new MaCAPA Website was launched!!Please take a few minutes and go www.macapa.org, to check out the site. The new site should serve as an information center for MaCAPA members and all industries related to ready mix concrete. There is a "Historical pictures". Some producers have already sent page some old concrete producer pictures. It would be great to continue to add new ones as we go along. If you have any please send them to me so I can share them on the page! Also if you have any suggestions on things to add, please let me know.

<u>Upcoming event</u>—On Jan.28th & 29th from 11:00am-1:00pm we have our "Pathway to Net Zero Buildings" Conference. The conference was created by the 3 New England ready mix associations, MIT, NRMCA and the Precast/Prestress Concrete Institute Northeast Region. The conference has a host of great industry professionals presenters from across the country. These speakers will define the concept of net zero from an embodied and energy standpoint and presents strategies to achieve net zero in buildings. Please promote with event to all your design and developer contact.

NRMCA Concrete Exterior Flatwork Finishers Certification - MaCAPA conducted 7 classes in the last quarter of 2020 and will hold many more in 2021. Besides putting contractors through the class, MaCAPA has entered into a contract agreement with MassDOT to train 500 MassDOT personnel over the next 12 months. This contractors and MassDOT training will go along way to helping to solve the exterior surface failure issues. I would recommend this course to all concrete finishers! Please promote this class to your flatwork customers and have them reach out to me. MaCAPA is working closely with CIM and UCANE to schedule additional classes.

MassDOT Sidewalk Spec—The new MassDOT Sidewalk spec has been on the street for the last few months. MassDOT and MaCAPA will host a zoom call featuring Rich Mulcahy from MassDot to walk through the material portion of the spec. Most producers will have to redesign and submit new sidewalk mixes for approval this year. I will let everyone know when we schedule a time with MassDOT.

Advocacy—In the next few weeks we our life Cycle Cost Bill and Safe Building Material bill will be file. Both of these bills have made it though committee successfully during the last session and we are geared up to make a hard push to move the bills forward during this legislative session. We are fortunate to have a strong, talented team of lobbyist, legislators and NRMCA staff helping us with these efforts. We will call upon all of you when the time is right to reach out to your local representatives and senators to ask for their support.

**Upcoming Events** 

Pathways To Net Zero
Conference

January 28th & 29th

NRMCA Exterior
Concrete Flatwork
Certification Class

**Location and Dates TBD** 

New Website!!!

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