



RAISING THE STANDARDS IN CONSTRUCTION



Associated Construction Contractors of New Jersey

MONTHLY UPDATE

February 2018

Labor

Heavy/Highway Laborers, Local Nos. 472 & 172, Contract and Wages

In Bulletin 27-18, we emailed Active Members announcement of the contract settlement with the New Jersey Heavy Construction & General Laborers, Local Nos. 472 & 172. The new three-year agreement is effective March 1, 2018, through February 28, 2021. We followed that with Bulletin 29-18 detailing the new wage package for the Heavy/Highway Laborers, effective March 1. Access both bulletins in the members-only section at accnj.org.

FASB Disclosure Statement Information

In Bulletin 28-18, we distributed to Active Members the most current information provided to us on the various Pension Funds to which ACCNJ members may be party. You will once again need to disclose this information on the footnote of your balance sheets in order to comply with a FASB Plan Disclosure requiring same. Access the bulletin in the members-only section at accnj.org.

Fringe Benefit Fund Directory

In Bulletin 31-18, we provided an updated Fringe Benefit Fund Trustees & Administrators Directory to all Active Members. Access the bulletin in the members-only section at accnj.org.

ACCNJ Events

REMINDER: Membership Meeting – March 13!

Don't miss ACCNJ's next Membership Meeting on Tuesday, March 13, 5:30 pm, at the Doubletree Hotel in Tinton Falls/Eatontown. Guest speaker Robert Asaro-Angelo, nominated for New Jersey Commissioner of Labor & Workforce Development, will share his views and perspectives on issues of importance to the construction industry. We hope your schedule allows you to join us as we want to demonstrate to the Acting Commissioner how labor and management work together for the good of the industry and the State.

To register, access Bulletin 17-18 under January Bulletins in the members-only section at accnj.org.

SAVE THE DATE: ACCNJ Annual Golf Tournament & Dinner – June 18!

Mark your calendars and watch for registration and sponsorship opportunities for the Annual Golf Tournament & Dinner at Trump National Golf Club in Colts Neck. Once again at this popular event, we will be offering afternoon tee off on the Championship and Executive Courses, with lunch, dinner and prizes!

SAVE THE DATE: 2019 ACCNJ Annual Conference – January 30-February 3

Mark your calendars for the Marriott Aruba Stellaris Casino! Details and registration to be distributed soon.

Safety

CPR, AED and First Aid Training – March 23

In Bulletin 32-18, we invited ACCNJ members to attend the American Heart Association's Heartsaver Course for Adults, CPR AED First Aid Certification Training, hosted by ACCNJ at our offices in Edison.

*Two four-hour classes are available on Friday, March 23:
8 am–Noon OR 1pm–5 pm.*

Each class includes a hard copy of the student handbook, AHA digital certification eCard (valid for two years), and breakfast/lunch. Spaces are limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis. For the registration form, access the bulletin in the members-only section at accnj.org.

NJ Work Zone Safety Conference – March 28

In Bulletin 34-18, we told Active Members of the Annual New Jersey

Work Zone Safety Conference, sponsored by the Work Zone Safety Partnership on Wednesday, March 28, at the Conference Center at Mercer County Community College.

Recognized by the New Jersey Legislature as the state's official work zone safety event, the full-day Conference promotes safety awareness on local and state roadways specifically for a multi-disciplinary audience of construction, engineering, maintenance and operations personnel, and public safety professionals.

For information on how to register and an overview of the day's events, access the bulletin in the members-only section at accnj.org.

Safety Day 2018 – April 18

In Bulletin 25-18, we invited Active Members to participate in Safety Day 2018 on Wednesday, April 18. For several years, we have successfully held Safety Day events around the state, promoting the importance of safety in all aspects of the construction industry. We encourage your support for this year's event. For details, access the bulletin in the members-only section at accnj.org.

ACCNJ Safety Council Meeting – April 20

In Bulletin 33-18, we announced the next ACCNJ Safety Council meeting on Friday, April 20, at 11:30 am at the Hilton Garden Inn, Edison. In the education component, we welcome Andrew Smith, Protective Security Advisor, US Department of Homeland Security, to discuss the benefits of having an active shooter preparedness program. His presentation will examine active shooter history, potential behavioral indicators, and DHS' Options for Consideration: Run-Hide-Fight. All members are invited. For registration, access the bulletin in the members-only section at accnj.org.

OSHA 30-Hour Construction Safety Course – May 21-24

As we announced in Bulletin 35-18, ACCNJ will host an OSHA 30-Hour Construction Safety Course May 21-24 at the Association Office in Edison. The course will cover OSHA policies, procedures and standards, as well as construction safety and health principles. Participants must attend all four days and be able to complete homework assignments to be eligible for the course. Upon successful completion, participants will receive an OSHA Construction Safety and Health 30-Hour Course completion card. For registration, access the bulletin in the members-only section at accnj.org.

Construction Safety Courses

For those interested in registering craftworkers for safety courses offered by the general construction trades at their training centers, please contact the Association office.

President Releases Federal Infrastructure Plan

In Bulletin 30-18, we reviewed some of the key elements of President Trump's \$1.5 trillion federal infrastructure plan, released February 12. AGC of America and ACCNJ are actively monitoring federal infrastructure legislation as it progresses through Congress in the coming months. Access the bulletin in the members-only section at accnj.org.

New York State Paid Family Leave in Effect

In Bulletin 23-18, we reported that New York State's paid family leave program went into effect January 1, 2018. For details on the New York plan, which applies to all employees of private employers working in New York State, including the construction industry, access the bulletin in the members-only section at accnj.org.

Industry Issues

Capacity Analysis of Certified DBEs in New Jersey *OVERVIEW – March 22*

As announced in Bulletin 36-18, ACCNJ and our industry partners retained EuQuant, a leading economic research firm in Atlanta, to evaluate and measure the capacity (the volume of work a firm is capable of performing efficiently during a given period of time) of the DBEs certified with NJ DOT and New Jersey Transit. The study was commissioned because, as you know, public agencies are placing increased attention on DBE, MBE, WBE and SBE goals and requirements. We invite members to attend a presentation of the findings, led by EuQuant professionals, on Thursday, March 22, 10 am at the ACCNJ offices in Edison. For the Executive Summary and registration form, access the bulletin in the members-only section at accnj.org.

Education & Workforce Development

Summer Internship Program Update – *Resumes Available!*

In Bulletin 26-18, we reminded Active Members that we still have qualified student interns available for 12 weeks of summer employment through the CIAP Summer Internship Program.

If you would like to review their resumes, please contact the Association office via email to jschiff@accnj.org or by phone at 732.225.2265.

Tuition Reimbursement Program Continued

In Bulletin 37-18, we alerted Active Members that ACCNJ's Industry Advancement Trust has approved continuing the Tuition Reimbursement Program for eligible, full-time employees of ACCNJ member firms that contribute to the IAT. For complete information, access the bulletin in the members-only section at accnj.org.

ACCNJ Scholarship Opportunities – *Coming Soon!*

March will bring information on the Annual ACCNJ Scholarship opportunities, assisting the children and grandchildren of eligible members with their higher education needs. Check your email for all the information and make sure to distribute it to your employees.

EXCEL Classes Canceled

We regret to announce the EXCEL classes scheduled at Middlesex County College have been canceled. The College hopes to reschedule them soon. Thank you for your interest.

ACCNJ Communications

COMING SOON – New ACCNJ Website

As we notified members via email, we are in the process of launching a new website, which may mean certain pages are down intermittently. If you need information, please contact the Association office.

Ad Opportunities in *New Jersey Construction*

In Bulletin 24-18, we alerted members about the advertising opportunities in the upcoming *New Jersey Construction* magazine, ACCNJ's official publication, due out in June. *Deadline for ads is April 10.* For ad rates, specs and a contract, access the bulletin in the members-only section at accnj.org.

Hot Topics Recap

In February, we posted these Hot Topics at accnj.org:

- Governor Announces \$161 Million in Municipal Aid Grants
- Toms River Development: Two Projects
- High-Tech Planned for Newark's New "Vibe" Tower
- Jersey City Public Parking Lot Faces Redevelopment
- Cost of Construction Materials and Services Expected to Rise This Year
- Morristown Condo Development Secures Financing

- **Proposal Seeks to Reinvent Downtown Toms River**
 - **Holmdel Approves Rooftop Hotel for Bell Works Redevelopment**
 - **Old A&P in Clark Could Be Condemned**
 - **NJDOT Wins ENR New York's Owner of the Year**
 - **New Construction on Jersey City's Journal Square**
 - **Tallest Buildings Coming to Bayonne**
 - **AG Nixes PennEast Land Proposal**
 - **Construction Employment Rises in 75% of Metros in December**
 - **Waters of the US Rule Delayed Two Years**
 - **Murphy EO Releases Wind Energy Act**
 - **With New Metrics, BLS Reports Productivity Gains in Construction**
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