



Associated Construction Contractors of New Jersey

# MONTHLY UPDATE

August 2021

## In Case You Missed It



The Associated Construction Contractors of New Jersey has scheduled our first in-person Membership Meeting this year at the Triumph Brewing Co., in Red Bank, NJ. Don't forget to register! Questions? Email [jbarna@accnj.org](mailto:jbarna@accnj.org).

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## **Labor Relations**

Access the bulletins listed below under August Bulletins in the members-only section at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org).

### **Contract Expiration Dates**

In Bulletin 71-2021, we distributed to Active Members a list of Contract Expiration Dates for the New Jersey general construction and specialty trades.

### **Wage & Fringe Benefits**

In Bulletin 75-2021, we sent to Active Members Wage & Fringe Benefits for Laborers Nos. 172 & 472 and Asphalt Laborers No. 172.

### **Labor Day Holiday Provisions**

In Bulletin 76-2021, we distributed to Active Members the holiday provisions for Labor Day, Monday September 6, 2021.

### **Wage & Fringe Benefits**

In Bulletin 77-2021, we provided to Active Members information regarding the September 1, 2021 Wage & Fringe Benefits for Asbestos, Lead and Hazardous Waste Laborers Local 78.

### **Updated Contract Summary**

In Bulletin 79-2021, we sent to Active Members an updated Contract Summary, which contains the most commonly referred to work rules from the various general construction trades' collective bargaining agreements.

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## **Government Affairs**

### **US Senate Votes to Advance Federal Infrastructure Bill**

In Bulletin 74-2021, we informed members the US Senate voted to pass the \$1.2 trillion bipartisan-supported infrastructure bill. For details, access the bulletin under August Bulletins in the members-only section at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org).

### **Governor Murphy Signs Bills Into Law**

In Bulletin 78-2021, we notified members Governor Murphy signed several ACCNJ-supported infrastructure bills into law. For a synopsis of the signed legislation, access the bulletin under August Bulletins in the members-only section at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org).

### **NJ Cannabis Commission Suspends Physical Examination for Employer Drug Testing**

In an ACCNJ Alert distributed on August 23, we informed members the New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory Commission has temporarily suspended the requirement that drug tests be accompanied by a “physical examination” conducted by a person who has been certified to recognize drug impairment. ACCNJ will bring you any new developments regarding recreational marijuana and drug testing standards.

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## *Education & Workforce Development*

**Rutgers CAIT Offers Infrastructure Asset Management Academy Free**  
In Bulletin 73-2021, we informed members the virtual two-day course, Fundamentals of Infrastructure & Transportation Asset Management (FAM) Part 1, is being offered by Rutgers CAIT for free. The course will cover will cover the Infrastructure & Transportation Asset Management journey over the last 20 years and what CAIT now sees as the current and future trajectory of developing a sustainable and scalable asset management program. [CLICK HERE](#) for additional details about the Academy and to register for the courses. After enrolling, students are encouraged to complete the entire IAMA program. Access the bulletin under August Bulletins in the members-only section at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org).

### **Tuition Reimbursement Program**

As a reminder, in Bulletin 05-2021, we informed Active Members the ACCNJ Industry Advancement Trust (IAT) has approved the continuation of the Tuition Reimbursement Program for eligible, full-time employees of ACCNJ member firms that contribute to the IAT. The courses selected must be aimed at providing job-related knowledge and skills for construction personnel in either office or field operations. For details, access the bulletin under January Bulletins in the members-only section at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org).

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## *Communications*

### **Seeking Member News for Fall 2021 Magazine**

In Bulletin 72-2021, we reported to members ACCNJ will publish the Fall issue of New Jersey Construction in mid-November. We invite members to contribute in-house news of awards, projects, people and events important to your firm, through the Member News online form, which can be accessed [HERE](#). In addition to Member News, the magazine's "Giving Back" feature highlights the many volunteer activities of our contractors and their craftworkers. Find the Giving Back online form [HERE](#). You can also email relevant information to [lbrannigan@accnj.org](mailto:lbrannigan@accnj.org). For more information, access the bulletin under August Bulletins in the members-only section at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org).

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## *Economics*

### **MarketCAST from Otteau Valuation Group**

In Bulletin 80-2021, we issued to members the next quarterly report on New Jersey's construction activity from Otteau Valuation Group. MarketCAST for Q2 2021 includes statistics on aggregate construction spending and individual market-sector spending, as well as revised spending projections for 2020 through 2022. For more information and to read the report, access the bulletin under August Bulletins in the members-only section at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org).

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## *AGC of America*

## **AGC of America Account**

In Bulletin 81-2021, we issued information to members on how to create an account/profile with AGC of America in order to take advantage and access the many member benefits offered through our national organization. For more information, access the bulletin under August Bulletins in the members-only section at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org).

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## **Webinars and Events**

### **REMINDER – ACCNJ Sporting Clay Event**

ACCNJ's Sporting Clay Event will be held on Friday, September 17, 2021 at M&M Hunting and Sporting Clays in Pennsville. The course is designed for beginners AND experts to enjoy! [CLICK HERE](#) to access the registration form.

### **REMINDER – ACCNJ Membership Meeting**

In Bulletin 69-2021, we announced the Associated Construction Contractors of New Jersey has scheduled our first in-person Membership Meeting this year for Tuesday, September 21, 2021, 5:00 pm, at the Triumph Brewing Co., Red Bank, NJ. For details and meeting registrations, access the bulletin under July Bulletins in the members-only section at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org).

### **ACCNJ Fall Golf Outing**

Registration is open for ACCNJ's Fall Golf Outing and Dinner, which will take place on October 4, 2021 at Woodcrest Country Club, Cherry Hill. The day will consist of lunch, followed by golf, a dinner reception and prizes. [CLICK HERE](#) for registration information. Don't wait – few spots remain!

### **REMINDER – BluBeam REVU for Takeoff and Estimating**

ACCNJ member ZenTek Consultants is offering a 'Bluebeam Revu for Takeoff and Estimating' course for ACCNJ members in September. This eight (8) hour program is delivered in four (4), two-hour long sessions that students can attend online, right from their own desk. A live instructor will explain the detailed functions, and address questions as the class progresses. [CLICK HERE](#) for class details and registration.

### **ACCNJ Services Webinar Series**

ACCNJ's Association Services webinar series will continue to address the various programs and services offered by ACCNJ. Each webinar will focus on a specific service area and be presented by staff who is directly involved in that arena. We hope you will take advantage of having the appropriate staff from your company participate in these webinars, which will not exceed 45 minutes.

The next and final webinar of the series, on ACCNJ's Education & Workforce Development and Communication services, will take place on September 28, 2021. [CLICK HERE](#) for more information and registration.

Previous ACCNJ Services webinars can be found under Membership at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org) or by [CLICKING HERE](#).