



Associated Construction Contractors of New Jersey

# MONTHLY UPDATE

February 2023

## In Case You Missed It



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To read the full article, click here: <https://njbiz.com/hudson-tunnel-project-issues-call-for-.../>



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## Labor

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

### FASB Disclosure

In Bulletin 14-2023, we provided Active Members with the most current information provided to us by Fund Counsel and/or Fund Administrators on the various Pension Funds to which ACCNJ members may be party.

### Wage & Fringe Benefits

In Bulletin 16-2023, we distributed to Active Members information regarding the March 1, 2023, Wage & Fringe Benefits for Laborers Nos. 172 & 472.

## Safety

April Safety Council Meeting

In Bulletin 17-2023, we distributed information regarding ACCNJ's next Safety Council Meeting, which will be held on April 14, 2023, at the Association Offices, 3rd Floor Conference Room, Edison, NJ at 11:30am. For details and registration information, access the Bulletin under February Bulletins in the members-only section at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org).

### **Safety Day 2023**

In Bulletin 18-2023, we announced ACCNJ will once again host SAFETY DAY. This exceptional event will be held Wednesday, May 3, 2023, which coincides with Construction Safety Week and OSHA's Stand Down to Prevent Falls in Construction. Access the Bulletin, registration information and suggested activities list under February Bulletins in the members-only section at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org).

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## ***Education & Workforce Development***

### **OCC PMP Course**

In Bulletin 20-2023, we notified Active Members Ocean County College will be offering a Project Management Course to assist individuals interested in obtaining their PMP Certification. This Spring Quick Term (10-week session) will be offered in a Hyflex mode. Students may attend in person at OCC's Toms River campus or live via WEBEX. For details, access the bulletin under February Bulletins in the members-only section at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org).

### **Professional Women in Construction Scholarship Program**

The New Jersey Chapter of Professional Women in Construction offers a scholarship program to support the next generation of women pursuing degrees in STEM, architecture, engineering, and construction-related industries. Applications are due by March 23, 2023. [CLICK HERE](#) for more information.

### **Tuition Reimbursement Program**

In Bulletin 05-2023, 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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## ***Legal & Insurance***

### **Updated SBA Certification Requirements**

In Bulletin 13-2023, we provided members with a synopsis of the Small Business Administration's (SBA) Final Rule (87 FR 73400) governing Veteran-Owned Small Business (VOSB) and Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business (SDVOSB) certifications, which went into effect on January 1, 2023. Access the bulletin under February Bulletins in the members-only section at [accnj.org](http://accnj.org).

## **COVID-19 Emergency Declarations Set to Expire**

The COVID-19 national emergency (NE) and public health emergency (PHE) declared by the Trump administration in 2020 were set to expire on March 1st and April 11th, respectively. However, on January 30th the Biden administration notified Congress of its plan to extend the national emergency and PHE declarations to May 11th, when the emergencies will end. In Bulletin 19-2023, we informed members of the implications of the end of the emergencies. For details, access the Bulletin under February Bulletins in the members-only section at [accnj.org](https://accnj.org).

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## ***AGC of America***

### **AGC of America Discount Program**

In Bulletin 15-2023, we reminded members ACCNJ's national organization AGC of America provides discounts on a variety of products, services, and technologies, available to ACCNJ members and staff. For more information, access the bulletin under February Bulletins in the members-only section at [accnj.org](https://accnj.org).

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## ***Economics***

### **MarketCAST Q4 from Otteau Valuation Group**

As you know, ACCNJ has commissioned quarterly MarketCAST reports from Jeff Otteau and the Otteau Valuation Group. In Bulletin 21-2023, we distributed the MarketCAST for Q4 2022, with data from the fourth quarter of last year and revised annual forecasts on construction spending through 2023. Access the bulletin and the report under February Bulletins in the members only section at [accnj.org](https://accnj.org).

On March 7, 2023, join us for a webinar to hear Jeff Otteau's 2022 economic overview including details on the Q4 report and his 2023 economic outlook. [CLICK HERE](#) for more information and to register.

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## ***Events***

### **March Membership Meeting**

As a reminder, in Bulletin 07-2023, we announced ACCNJ's March Membership Meeting. Join us on Tuesday, March 21, 2023, 5:00 pm, at the Triumph Brewing Co., Red Bank, NJ. For details and registration information, access the bulletin under January Bulletins in the members-only section at [accnj.org](https://accnj.org).

### **ACCNJ Sporting Clay Event**

ACCNJ's Sporting Clay Event will be held Friday, April 28, 2023, at M&M Hunting & Sporting Clays in Pennsville. The course is designed for both beginners and experts to enjoy. [CLICK HERE](#) to access the registration form and sponsorship opportunities.

### **ACCNJ Golf Tournament and Dinner**

ACCNJ's Annual Golf Tournament and Dinner will be held Monday, June 5, at Rockaway River Country Club. The day will consist of lunch, followed by golf, a dinner reception, and prizes. [CLICK HERE](#) for more information and to register.

### **ACCNJ Webinar Series: Understanding Your Craftworker Employees' Fringe Benefits**

ACCNJ will be hosting a series of Zoom Webinars that will provide an overview of your craftworker employees' fringe benefits. Administrators from the respective Funds will review topics such as pension accruals, vesting & benefits; annuity distribution and eligibility options; welfare eligibility, active employee health benefits and retiree health coverage; as well as other general fund information. The Zoom Webinars will be specific to each trade and/or fund and presented individually.

The first Zoom Webinar, covering the Operating Engineers Local 825 Benefit Funds, is scheduled for Thursday, March 23, 2023, 9:30 a.m. [CLICK HERE](#) to register.

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## ***Industry News***

### **Practical Construction Use of Bluebeam Revu**

Looking to get up to speed on Bluebeam? Join ACCNJ Associate Member ZenTek Consultants as they show you the most effective means of using Revu for construction work so you can get the efficiency and intelligence you need from Revu. This eight (8) hour course is delivered in four (4), two-hour long sessions throughout March 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 more information and to register.

### **February Member Mondays**

ACCNJ features members on our [Facebook](#) page and [LinkedIn](#) on Mondays. Check out this month's Member Mondays, featuring [AbateTech Inc.](#), [JK Crane](#), and [Dynamic Engineering](#).

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