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WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

As we are nearing the end of the year I would like to update our membership on recent activities of the Association. I will work to produce a similar document more often so our membership can stay enlightened as to the work going on behind the scenes. If you would like to further discuss the information presented within this newsletter do not hesitate to reach out.

- Michael Demouy, Executive Director



DOTD EVALUATION COMPLETED

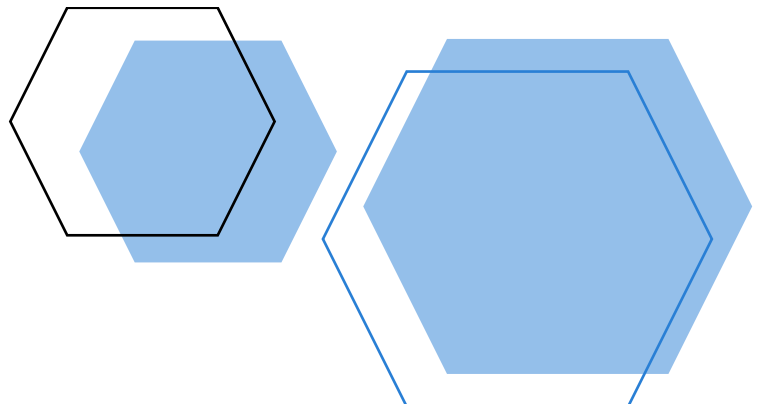
The Boston Consulting Group (BCG) recently completed a comprehensive evaluation of the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD), offering valuable insights and recommendations to enhance the department’s efficiency and effectiveness. This evaluation, conducted by one of the world’s leading consulting firms, aimed to identify key areas where the DOTD could strengthen its operations, improve infrastructure planning, and increase resource utilization to better serve Louisiana’s residents and businesses.

BCG’s report highlighted several strategic opportunities, including optimizing project management processes, increasing collaboration with private sector partners, and leveraging data-driven approaches to prioritize infrastructure investments. By implementing these recommendations, the DOTD can position itself as a more agile, transparent, and responsive agency, able to meet the growing demands on Louisiana’s roads, bridges, and transportation systems.

You can access the final report by [clicking here](#).

E-Ticketing Requirements Coming Soon

Louisiana’s ready-mix concrete industry is gearing up for a major shift with the upcoming implementation of electronic ticketing (e-ticketing). This new system will streamline the process of tracking and documenting concrete deliveries, replacing traditional paper tickets with digital records accessible in real-time. E-ticketing will enhance accuracy, reduce paperwork, and improve communication between ready-mix companies, contractors, and DOTD. By adopting this technology, it has been and will continue to be, our intention to allow for the broader use of mitigation practices. At a recent meeting with DOTD, we were told that the new specification for e-ticketing is with FHWA for approval. The Department hopes for the implementation early in 2025.





COMMITTEE SPOTLIGHTS

AGGREGATES COMMITTEE

The Aggregates Committee is currently running data on Aggregate Gradations and looking at making a request for LADOTD to switch to the Tarantula Curve. Additionally, we have been asked to provide aggregate samples to the Department that were removed from the AML over the last few years. The materials lab is looking to evaluate data utilizing the Miniature Concrete Prism Test that was recently researched by LTRC with positive results.

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

It was recently brought to our attention by a Paving Contractor that the Concrete Smoothness (IRI) Specification needed to be modified to better align with the Asphalt Specification in the DOTD Purple Book. The Department has agreed that the Concrete Specification needs to be updated and our Association is making recommendations to remedy the disparities.

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

After the successful 2024 Session, the planning for 2025 is already underway. In 2025 we will look to standardize Pavement Selection policies that were agreed upon by industry many years ago. Back in 2017, the Highway Industry came together and agreed upon a pavement selection policy that worked well for all parties involved. Our goal with this proposed legislation is to standardize the process across the state and across agencies.

CONVENTION AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE

2024 proved to once again be a record year for attendance across Association events. Record crowds actively attended our Summer Convention, the 2nd Annual Fishing Rodeo and our Mixer Driver Competition. We set out to make the Mixer Driver Competition our marquee event within our Association and thanks to Chairman Jack Brown with Red River Ready Mix we are well on our way to doing just that. This event is unique to our industry and is a great representation of the talent and abilities that exist within our member companies. You will soon see a Calendar of Events for 2025 but go ahead and save the date for our 2025 Summer Convention. We will be at the Hilton Sandestin June 4 – 7, 2025. Your participation never goes unnoticed, and we can't wait to see you all again in 2025.

MEMBER ACHIEVEMENTS

YOUR PARTICIPATION MATTERS

The Louisiana Concrete Association plays a vital role in representing and advocating for the concrete industry in Louisiana. As the voice of this critical industry, the association's success is deeply rooted in the active participation and involvement of its members. Engaged members not only benefit from a wealth of resources and networking opportunities but also help drive the association's mission forward. Here's a look at some of our members' recent achievements.

Adam Guinn Selected to the State Licensing Board for Contractors

Earlier this year, The Louisiana Concrete Association successfully lobbied for, and ultimately passed, legislation that would appoint a representative from our Association to sit on the Louisiana State Licensing Board for Contractors (LSLBC). The Legislation stated that the Speaker of the House shall nominate 3 members of the Louisiana Concrete Association to which the Governor would then choose the appointee.



Adam's appointment marks the first representative from the Concrete Industry in the board's 65-year existence. This historic decision highlights the growing recognition of concrete's critical role in the state's construction and infrastructure sectors. Guinn's many years of experience in concrete construction brings valuable industry expertise to the board. His appointment marks a significant milestone, ensuring that the concrete industry has a dedicated voice in shaping contractor licensing and regulatory decisions across Louisiana.

The LSLBC plays a crucial role in protecting public safety and maintaining high standards in the construction industry. With this appointment, the board has strengthened its oversight and support for contractors and vendors specializing in concrete work. This decision reflects a broader trend of increasing collaboration between our leadership and regulatory bodies, ensuring fair representation and the advancement of professional standards statewide. Adam's presence on the board will undoubtedly contribute to the sustained growth and innovation of Louisiana's concrete sector.

Local Drivers Compete Nationally At NRMCA

At the recent NRMCA Concreteworks convention, Tiffany Berry (Holcim) and Corey Williams (Red River Ready Mix) competed against 111 drivers from across the country in the National Mixer Driver Competition. This year's event was the largest ever and Tiffany and Corey (pictured above) represented themselves, their companies and our Association admirably. Tiffany and Corey were able to participate because of their top finish at our state competition this year. We look forward to our competition in 2025 and can't wait to see one of our local drivers on the stage as a National Champion.

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

BREAUX PETROLEUM PRODUCTS

COMPANY BACKGROUND



Business Description

Founded in 1922 in Lockport, Louisiana, Breaux Petroleum Products is an established distributor of quality fuels and lubricants for the petrochemical, transport, marine, industrial, energy and agricultural industries across the Gulf Coast. Breaux Petroleum was the first-ever Shell distributor in the state of Louisiana, and today holds the distinction as a Shell Prestige Distributor – the highest level within Shell’s nationwide network of distributors. In addition to quality products, Breaux Petroleum offers a portfolio of services including industrial reliability, filtration, varnish mitigation, lubrication management, oil analysis, asset tracking, environmental waste, and hurricane and emergency preparedness. For more information, visit www.breauptroleum.com.

Products/Services

Breaux Petroleum is a single source provider of petroleum products including fuels, lubricants, greases, subsea fluids, biodegradable oil, chemicals, and diesel exhaust fluid. The company’s vast portfolio of services includes delivery of lubricants and bulk fuels, oil analysis, filtration and purification, lubrication management, vacuum dehydration, high velocity flushing, on-site consultations, waste management and disposal, tank monitoring, asset tracking, hurricane and emergency preparedness, and retail store assistance.

Owned Infrastructure

Breaux Petroleum Products maintains three terminals and warehouses. These facilities have a combined capacity for over 200,000 gallons of bulk oil, over 100,000 gallons of fuel and 65,000 SF of warehouse space allowing the company to keep one of the largest and most diverse oil inventories in the area. The company maintains a modern fleet that includes tankers, bobtails, stake bodies and drop decks, with the capability to haul anything from 8,500 gallons of fuel to drums, tote tanks, equipment and more. Breaux Petroleum’s asset portfolio includes an extensive fleet of reliability equipment including vacuum dehydrators, filtration carts, varnish removal skids and particle counters.

Company Social Links

Website: <https://www.breauptroleum.com>

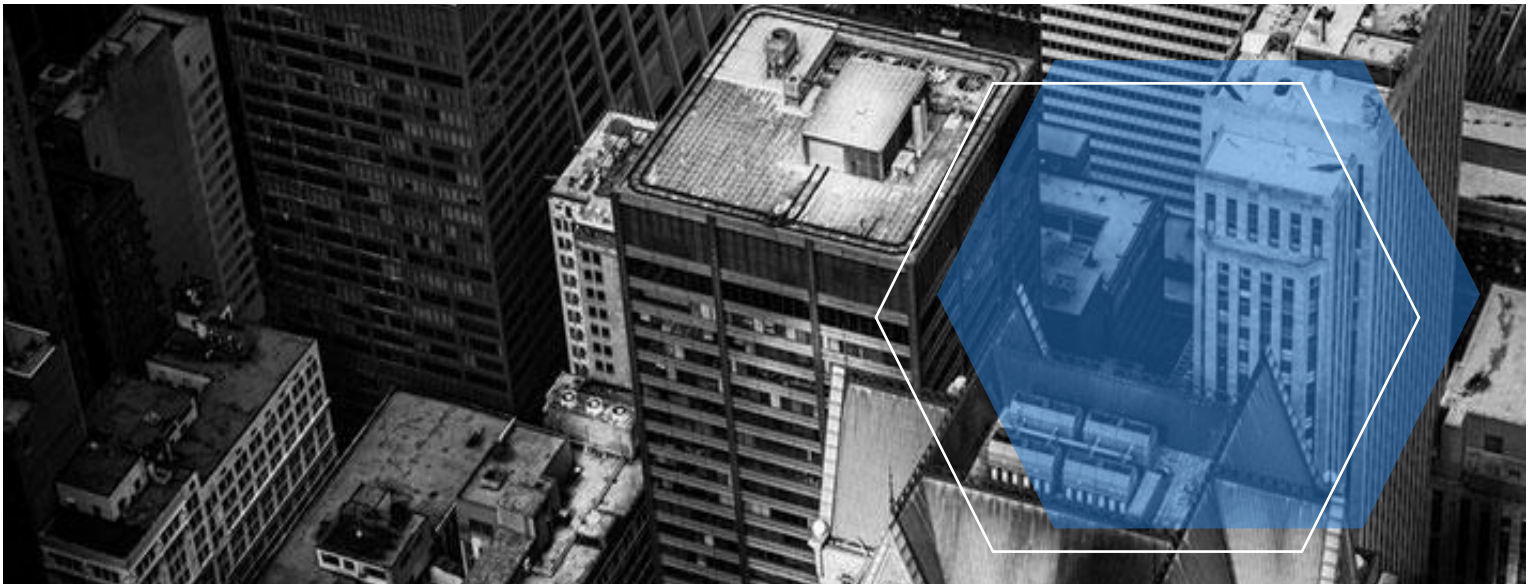
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Get Involved in 2025

The Louisiana Concrete Association thrives on the active participation and engagement of its members. By getting involved, members can play a significant role in advancing the industry, influencing policy, and shaping the future of concrete in Louisiana. The benefits of active membership are manifold, from professional growth and networking opportunities to the satisfaction of contributing to the industry's success. For those in the concrete industry, engaging with the LCA is not just beneficial—it's essential.

For more information on how you can get involved with the Louisiana Concrete Association, please visit our [website](#).



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

December

12th – Board of Directors Meeting

12th – Christmas Luncheon (Baton Rouge)

2025 Events Coming Soon....

June

4th – 7th – Louisiana Concrete Association & ARMCA Annual Convention