CONFERENCE GUIDE

2016 NRC Conference and NRC-REMSA Exhibition

January 6-9, 2016

The Hotel del Coronado
San Diego, California
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*Welcome Reception Sponsored by: Holland Company, Loram Maintenance of Way*

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<td>“SANDAG’s 2016 Capital Program and Opportunities for Contractors and Suppliers” – Jim Linthicum, Department Director, Mobility Management and Project Implementation, San Diego Association of Governments</td>
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| 10:55am – 11:20am | “G&W’s 2016 Capital Program and Opportunities for Contractors and Suppliers” – Kristine Storm, Vice President - Purchasing, Genesee & Wyoming  
**Sponsored by:**  
**Delta Railroad Construction** | Ballroom   |
| 11:20am – 11:45am | Preview of NRC Safety DVDs 19 & 20 - “The Job Briefing” and “Highlights from 10 Years of NRC Safety Videos” – John Zuspan, Track Guy Consultants, Lead DVD Producer; Trey Rowe, Herzog Railroad Services, NRC Safety Committee Chair; Stanley Beaver, Balfour Beatty Rail  
**Sponsored by:**  
**voestalpine Nortrak, Inc.** | Ballroom   |
| 11:45am – 12:10pm | “CSX’s 2016 Capital Program and Opportunities for Contractors and Suppliers – Tod Echler, AVP Engineering, CSX  
**Sponsored by:**  
**STV, Inc.** | Ballroom   |
| 12:10pm – 12:35pm | “Update on California Rail Projects and Future Opportunities for Contractors and Suppliers” – Bruce Roberts, Caltrans  
**Sponsored by:**  
**Stacy & Witbeck** | Ballroom   |
| 12:35pm – 1:00pm | “LA Metro’s 2016 Capital Program and Opportunities for Contractors and Suppliers” – Bryan Pennington, Deputy Executive Director – Program Management and Brian Boudreau, Executive Officer – Program Management, Program Controls, LA Metro  
**Sponsored by:**  
**MRS** | Ballroom   |
| 1:00pm – 1:25pm | “Alaska Railroad’s 2016 Capital Program and Opportunities for Contractors and Suppliers” and “AREMA Update” – Brian Lindamood, Director - Capital Projects, Alaska Railroad and Chairman, Board of Governors, AREMA  
**Sponsored by:**  
**GREX** | Ballroom   |
| 5:30pm – 7:30pm | Reception in Exhibit Hall  
**Reception Sponsored by:**  
**Progress Rail Services**  
**Universal Rail Systems** | Tent       |

**Spouse Lunch & Spa Program**

**Date and Time:** Thursday, January 8; 11:30am – 1:00pm  
**Location:** Sundeck (Inclement weather location in Seabreeze)  
*See page 14 for more details*  
***registered spouses only please***

**Spouse Lunch Sponsored by:**  
**Coleman Industrial Construction**
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| 7:00am – 8:30am | Closing Breakfast in Exhibit Hall  
(exhibit tear down begins at 8:45am)                                                                                                               | Tent     |
|              | **Exhibit Breakfast Sponsored by:**  
Ames Construction  
RAILCET                                                                                           |          |
| 8:35am – 9:00am | “Norfolk Southern’s 2016 Capital Program and Opportunities for Contractors and Suppliers” – Ron Patton, Division Engineer, Norfolk Southern  
**Sponsored by:**  
Stella Jones                                                                                      | Ballroom |
| 9:00am – 9:25am | NRC Safety Awards  
Presented by David Armstrong, Commercial Insurance Associates, and Mischa Wanek-Libman, Railway Track & Structures (RT&S) Magazine  
See page 20 for more details  
**Sponsored by:**  
Commercial Insurance Associates  
Railway Track & Structures (RT&S) Magazine                                                        | Ballroom |
| 9:25am – 9:50am | “Canadian National’s 2016 Capital Program and Opportunities for Contractors and Suppliers” – Jim McLeod, Chief Engineer Design & Construction, CN  
**Sponsored by:**  
AXIS Track Report                                                                                   | Ballroom |
| 9:50am – 10:15am | “New York MTA’s 2016 Capital Program and Opportunities for Contractors and Suppliers” – Louis Montanti, Chief Procurement Officer, MTA New York City Transit  
**Sponsored by:**  
Railroad Construction Company, Inc.                                                                  | Ballroom |
| 10:15am – 10:40am | “Watco’s 2016 Capital Program and Opportunities for Contractors and Suppliers” – Ron Close, Senior Vice President, Supply Chain Management, Watco  
**Sponsored by:**  
Truss, LLC                                                                                          | Ballroom |
NRC’s 2016 Golf Tournament will be held at the Sycuan Golf Course (3007 Dehesa Rd., El Cajon, CA 92019), located approximately 24 miles from the Hotel del Coronado. Group transportation will be available, leaving the hotel at 11:00 am. Golfers may also arrange their own transportation. Golfers should plan to arrive at the course by 11:40 am.

Host to the Junior World Golf Championships, US Public Links Qualifying, the San Diego Junior Amateur, the annual PGA Chapter Shootout, the US Junior Amateur and named to Golf Digest's Best Places to Play, Sycuan Golf Course has distinguished itself as one of San Diego's premier golf courses.

Golf play will begin at 12:00 pm with a shotgun start. The NRC Tournament format is a four-person scramble, allowing players with varying ability the opportunity to play and have a great time. A box lunch will be provided prior to the NRC Tournament. The golf shop offers rental clubs at $50/set. The NRC Tournament registration fee includes carts, green fees, lunch and refreshments, driving range, putting green and prizes.

**Golf Beverage Carts are sponsored by:**
Herzog Contracting Corp.

**Golf Lunch sponsored by:**
HDR Inc.
UNITRAC Railroad Materials

**Tournament Golf Balls sponsored by:**
STX Railroad Construction Services

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The 2016 NRC Sailing Tournament will be on Friday, January 8th from 1:00pm to 5:00pm. Meet in the Hotel del Coronado lobby by 12:45 pm. Group will walk from the lobby to the docks together.

The sparkling waters of the San Diego Harbor provide a perfect backdrop for the 1st ever (annual? only?) NRC sailing regatta! Each person will be fully interactive as an official “crew member” of their vessel, vying to push their team into the winner’s circle. The teams will tackle an exciting two-mile course over a period of 2 hours.

The race officials will handicap the yachts, sound the time warnings, and officiate any penalty calls. As each team’s yacht sails over the finish line, the horn will sound times will be noted, and final scores will be tallied.

Sailing boats come with a captain. Captains will brief the crew on strategy, techniques and sailing instructions before the race. The Tournament registration fee also includes a box lunch, snacks and beverages on the boat.

**Sailing Tournament sponsored by:**
Progressive Railroading Magazine
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<td>Jeff Davis, Senior Fellow &amp; Editor, Eno Transportation Weekly</td>
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<td>Catie Kawchak, Transportation LA, Congressman Lou Barletta (R-PA)</td>
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<td>Jason Larrabee, Chief of Staff, Chairman Jeff Denham (R-CA)</td>
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<td>“Denver RTD’s Upcoming Capital Program and Opportunities for Contractors and Suppliers” — Walt Stringer, Senior Manager, Commuter Rail</td>
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<td>“Phoenix Valley Metro’s Upcoming Capital Program and Opportunities for Contractors and Suppliers” — Marty Spong, Manager of Construction and Utilities, Valley Metro Rail</td>
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Luncheon
Transportation Legislation and Policy Priorities in the 114th Congress and Beyond
Date: Saturday, January 9
Time: 12:30pm – 1:30pm
Location: Sundeck (Inclement weather backup location in Seabreeze)

***invitation only event***

L.B. Foster Co. Football Party
Date: Saturday, January 9
Time: 1:00pm – 5:00pm
Location: Crown Room
NFL playoffs football watching party
open bar, “bar style” food and snacks available

Football Party Sponsored by:
L.B. Foster Company

Finale Reception
Date: Saturday, January 9
Time: 5:30pm – 7:30pm
Location: Sundeck
(Inclement weather backup location in Ballroom)

Finale Reception Sponsored by:
RailWorks Corp.
Railway Interchange 2017

Specialty Cocktail Bars Sponsored by:
Colo Railroad Builders

Cigar Rolling Station Sponsored by:
IAT International

Cocktail Reception for Congressman Jeff Denham
Date and Time: Saturday, January 9, 2016; 7:00pm – 8:00pm
Location: Vista Walk (Inclement weather backup location in Coronet)
See page 17 for more details
***contributors only please***
**ADDITIONAL SEMINARS**

In addition to the full conference program and exhibition, there will be two additional seminars taking place. **Registration is complimentary for all attendees, but we do request that you pre-register** so that we know how many people will be attending, and can make sure that a proper room and materials are secured. See below for a summary of the seminars, and for links to more information and to register.

**Federal Railroad Administration Seminar: “Overview of FRA Part 243 Minimum Training Standards Final Rule”**
*What:* Rob Castiglione, Staff Director of Human Performance Program in the Office of Railroad Safety at FRA, will provide information on this final rule - published on November 7, 2014 - for training requirements for all railroad employees and contractors who perform safety related work. Topics include: the history of the rule; Part 243 requirements; the timeline with important dates; the role of associations like NRC; and next steps.
*When:* Thursday, January 7 from 1:45 to 3:15 PM
*Where:* The Pacifica Room at the Hotel del Coronado
*Registration:* Click [FRA Seminar](https://www.nrcma.org/2016nrcconference) under Quick Links. On-site registration is also available at the main NRC Conference Registration desk.
*Contact:* Robert.castiglione@dot.gov

**Track Construction Seminar: “Means and Methods for Direct Fixation, Low Vibration Track & Embedded Track”**
*What:* John Zuspan of Track Guy Consultants will present a complimentary seminar on the means and methods for DF, LVT, and embedded track construction. Topics include welding rail; building a segmental guideway, DF, LVT, and embedded track; and stray current.
*When:* Thursday, January 7, 3:30 to 5:00 PM
*Where:* The Tudor Room at the Hotel del Coronado
*Registration:* Click [Track Construction Seminar](https://www.nrcma.org/2016nrcconference) under Quick Links. On-site registration is also available at the main NRC Conference Registration desk.
*Contact:* zuspan@trackguy.com
OUTSIDE/ASSOCIATED GROUP MEETINGS

Tuesday, January 5
8:00 am – 5:00 pm  L.B. Foster Sales Meeting – Windsor Complex

Wednesday, January 6
8:00 am – 11:00 am NRC Board of Directors Meeting – Coronet Room
8:00 am – 5:00 pm RTA Executive Committee Meeting – Garden Room
8:00 am – 5:00 pm  L.B. Foster Sales Meeting – Windsor Complex
11:30 am – 1:30 pm  RTA Lunch – Garden Room
1:00 pm – 4:00 pm Railway Interchange Coordination Meeting – Tudor Room
2:00 pm – 6:00 pm Railworks Meeting – Stuart Room
2:30 pm – 4:00 pm NRC Safety Committee Meeting – Coronet Room

Thursday, January 7
8:00 am – 5:00 pm AREMA Committee 10 Meeting – Coronet Room
12:00 pm – 5:00 pm REMSA Board of Directors Meeting – Garden Room
1:00 pm – 3:00 pm Plasser American Meeting – Stuart Room
1:45 pm – 3:15 pm FRA Seminar – Tudor Room
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm DF and LVT Track Construction Seminar – Pacifica Room
7:30 pm – 8:15 pm ASLRRA SLTPC Reception – Garden Patio
8:15 pm – 10:30 pm ASLRRA SLTPC Dinner – Coronet Room

Friday, January 8
8:00 am – 11:30 am ASLRRA LPC Meeting – Windsor Complex
8:00 am – 12:00 pm RailWorks Meeting – Palm Sunset

Monday, January 12
3:00 pm – 6:00 pm Railroad Maintenance and Industrial Health and Welfare Fund – Executive Board Room

Tuesday, January 13
8:00 am – 12:00 pm Railroad Maintenance and Industrial Health and Welfare Fund – Executive Board Room
**SPOUSE LUNCH PROGRAM**

Thursday, January 7, 11:30 am – 1:00 pm  
*Registered Spouses Only Please*

Location: Sundeck (in case of inclement weather, backup location will be in the Seabreeze Room)

Spouse Lunch Program sponsored by **Coleman Industrial Construction**

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**SPOUSE ICE SKATING**

Optional Ice Skating – the ice rink will be open early and reserved for NRC spouses only immediately following lunch. (1-2 pm)

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**SPOUSE SPA PROGRAM**

In addition to lunch, registered spouses will also receive, complimentary, one of the following spa or salon treatments, tax and gratuity included, at Spa at the Del.

- Del Xpress Massage
- Del Xpress Facial
- Del Xpress Foot Treatment
- Del Xpress Manicure
- Del Xpress Pedicure

Full menu of spa and salon treatments are available. Participants are welcome to apply an NRC credit towards a different treatment and assume responsibility for the additional charges.

Registered spouses should call (619) 522 8100 to book a spa treatment. At the time of booking, please identify yourself as part of the “NRC Conference Spouse Program” so the spa can check your name against the list of registered spouses.

Please arrive at the spa 20-30 minutes before your scheduled appointment to check in, prepare for your treatment, and enjoy the steam room, saunas, showers, and relaxation lounge. The spa also offers its guests access to the vanishing-edge pool overlooking the Pacific Ocean.

Please note that all services are subject to time availability and we suggest booking your appointments well in advance. Changes/cancellations can be made 8 hours before the time of service.
The National Railroad Construction & Maintenance Association (NRC) is pleased to announce the availability of scholarships for tuition assistance to children or grandchildren of NRC members in Memoriam of Vinnie Vaccarello (NRC Board Member, Co-President of All Railroad Services Corp.) and Patsy Crisafi (NRC Safety Committee Member, Executive Vice President of Roadway Worker Training).

The 2015 NRC Scholarship winners are:

**First Place - $8,000 Scholarship Award**

*Laura Isdahl*

*Gustavus Adolphus (St. Peter, MN)*

*NRC Member Sponsor: Loram Maintenance of Way*

**Second Place - $4,000 Scholarship Award**

*Jack Taylor*

*University of South Carolina (Columbia, SC)*

*NRC Member Sponsor: Modern Railway Systems*

**Third Place - $2,000 Scholarship Award**

*Derrick Horvath*

*Trinity University (San Antonio, TX)*

*NRC Member Sponsor: Whitmore*

The 2016 NRC Scholarship Program will be announced in early July 2016.

The NRC would like to acknowledge and thank those companies and individuals that have contributed significant funds to initiate and support this valuable program:

ARS Corp.

RJ Corman

Land Clearing Specialists, Inc.

Loram Maintenance of Way

Southeast Railroad Supply, Inc.

Danny Brown (V&H Trucks)

Joe Daloisio (Railroad Construction Co., Inc.)

Van R. Sorrells (Dixie Precast)

Richard & Nancy Zemencik (ARS Corp)

Thomas & Lyria Lee

Balfour Beatty Rail, Inc.

William & Karen Tarvin

To make a donation to the NRC Scholarship Program make checks payable to "NRC Scholarship Fund" & send to:

*NRC, 500 New Jersey Ave NW, Suite 400, Washington, DC 20001*
NRC Scholarship Fund 50-50 Raffle

The National Railroad Construction & Maintenance Association (NRC) is pleased to initiate a 50-50 raffle designed to support the NRC Scholarship Fund.

Raffle tickets will be sold at the conference registration desk, at the exhibit hall receptions and at the golf tournament. Keep one half of the raffle ticket and write your name on the other half that you submit.

**PRICE:**

1 Ticket - $20

3 Tickets - $50

7 Tickets - $100

25 Tickets - $250

Check, Cash and Credit Cards are accepted.

The winner will be announced at the NRC Finale Reception on Saturday, January 9, 2016 at 6:30pm. *(You do not need to be present to win.)*
Please Join the Members of the
National Railroad Construction &
Maintenance Association (NRC)
in support of

HON. JEFF DENHAM

Republican, Tenth Congressional District of California
House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee: Chairman, Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines
& Hazardous Materials

Saturday, January 9th
7:00 PM
Vista Walk (backup: Coronet Room)

Requested Contribution:
Leader: $2,500 PAC or Individual
Attend: $1,000 PAC / $500 Individual

Please RSVP to Chuck Baker at
cbaker@nrcma.org

Paid for by Denham for Congress

Please fill out form and bring to the event

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2015 SAFETY AWARDS

Thank you to all of the applicants for this year’s Safety Awards. Underwritten by Commercial Insurance Associates, these awards seek to recognize those NRC Contractor members with strong workplace safety programs. Participation in the contest increased this year, with 53 rail contracting companies preparing entries.

Each of these companies should be commended for their extensive efforts to promote and improve safety in the rail contracting industry, and for subjecting their full safety program and range of practices to an extensive outside review.

There were multiple contestants with perfect scores! This reflects very well on the participating contractors, and speaks to the fact that the railroad contracting industry is safe and getting safer.

**Platinum Winners – Score of 100 out of 100 points**
- American Track Generations
- Balfour Beatty Infrastructure, Inc.
- Delta Railroad Construction
- Fay, and I+IconUSA Company
- Fritz-Rumer-Cooke
- Georgetown Rail Equipment Co.
- HD Machines, LLC
- Herzog Contracting Corp
- Herzog Services Inc.
- K.W. Reese Inc.
- Kenny Construction Company
- L.K. Comstock National Transit Inc.
- Lone Star Railroad Contractors
- MEC - Mass. Electric Construction Company
- Musselman & Hall Contractors, LLC
- PNR RailWorks
- Railroad Constructors Inc.
- RailWorks Track Services
- RailWorks Track Systems Inc
- Rhinehart Railroad Construction Inc.
- Stacy and Witbeck, Inc.
- TRAM Construction
- US Trackworks LLC
- Kraemer North American, LLC

**Gold Winners – Score of 80-99 points out of 100 points**
- Allied Track Services
- American Rail Marketing LLC
- Capital Railroad Contracting Inc.
- Clayton Railroad Construction, LLC
- CR Construction Company
- Crafton Railroad Company Inc.
- East Coast Railroad Services
- GW Peoples Contracting
- Herzog Railroad Services Inc.
- Holland Company
- J-Track LLC
- Kelly-Hill Company
- Loram Maintenance of Way
- Moran Environmental
- Ragnar Benson
- Railroad Construction Co. of South Jersey
- Railroad Construction Company Inc.
- Railroad Controls Limited
- Sharp and Fellows
- Tranco Industrial Services, Inc.
- Trans-Global Solutions, Inc.
- Trumbull

**Silver Winners – Score of 70-79 points out of 100 points**
- Armond Cassil Railroad Constructors
- Coleman Industrial Construction
- Omega Rail Services, Inc.
- Frontier Railroad Services
- Queen City Railroad
- Universal Rail Systems

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2015 NRC SPECIAL AWARDS WINNERS

Field Employee of the Year
Dennis Riggs, Railroad Construction Company of South Jersey

Mr. Dennis Riggs, General Superintendent at Railroad Construction Company of South Jersey, has been selected as the 2015 NRC Field Employee of the Year. Dennis began working at RCCSJ as a laborer in March of 1989. He quickly progressed to the position of foreman by 1991, becoming RCCSJ's youngest ever foreman at that time. By 2000, he had continued his advancement to the position of General Superintendent. In this role, Dennis coordinates manpower, organizes deliveries of materials and equipment, and spends countless hours answering questions from both customers and project personnel. He oversees as many as 12 projects at one time, and deals with a work force of 110 people. He is on call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Dennis was described by a customer as their "most trusted source for honest, appropriate and effective rail construction and maintenance solutions" and as someone that "has always gone above and beyond." His colleagues describe him as a mentor, an exemplary leader, and "the backbone of the company". Dennis' unparalleled knowledge of the industry, his commitment to his customers, and his dedication to safety are among many attributes that make for an outstanding NRC Field Employee of the Year.

Railroad Construction Project of the Year
Port of Long Beach, Pier E by Herzog/Reyes, a Joint Venture

The Project of the Year award goes to the Port of Long Beach, Pier E project by Herzog/Reyes, a Joint Venture. Herzog is the managing joint venture partner, working with Reyes Construction for the Port of Long Beach, a project that is the centerpiece of the largest and most sophisticated automated marine terminal in the United States. This intermodal yard spans 345 acres, and will handle 10,000 truck trips per day, 2,100 trains, 3.3 million twenty-foot equivalent units per year, and will employ nearly 3,000 people. The total linear footage of crane rail foundation and rail installed was almost 8 miles. The vehicle traffic areas required the construction of a flexible paving cross-section which consisted of up to 13-inch thick roller compacted concrete, with a three inch asphalt wear course. The project also involved the installation of drainage structures, utilities, and demolition of the prior site. The contract included the construction of reclaimed land by connecting Pier E to Pier F, which consisted of filling an area of the harbor previously used for ship navigation. The project was completed on schedule, within budget, and with zero "lost time" accidents and 313,046 total man hours. The NRC is proud to honor this outstanding project with our Project of the Year award.
NRC Hall of Fame

Cosmo Lawrence “Larry Sr.” Laurello

The NRC Hall of Fame Selection Committee is pleased to announce that it has unanimously selected Cosmo Lawrence "Larry Sr." Laurello as this year's only entrant into the NRC Hall of Fame. Larry was born August 27, 1938 in Ashtabula, Ohio. He was a 1956 graduate of Ashtabula High School. He married his wife, Ida, in 1958 in Italy. He returned to the US after getting married to finish his degree at the University of Notre Dame. He finished his degree in Civil Engineering in 1961. Larry and Ida had three boys, Larry, Michael, and Paul. After graduating from Notre Dame, Larry worked for Koppers in Pittsburgh until joining his father, Cosmo, at Delta Railroad Construction in 1965. He continued to work with his father and mother until his father's passing in 1979, when Larry became President and CEO of Delta Railroad Construction. Under Larry's leadership with Ida, Delta became one of the country's premier railroad contractors, well known for advancing the latest technology. Larry was a driving force at Delta, known for his ability to look at problems and find solutions that were good for the customer, the employees, and the company. He taught this to his sons and grandchildren, and today Delta continues to do work that he would be proud of. Although Larry had FSH muscular dystrophy, he never allowed his disability to stop him. He was able to live and teach through others, especially his sons. Larry held Professional Engineer Certifications in Ohio and Pennsylvania, and was a registered contractor with the state of California. Larry was respected for his utmost integrity and honesty in all aspects of his life. He was a humble man, unwilling to take credit or receive recognition for the many contributions he made to assist those in need. His greatest joy was his family and the many workers that he also considered his family. He committed his life to helping others, never asking for anything in return. His friends and family say he was "the epitome of kindness."
PAST NRC SPECIAL AWARDS WINNERS

2014
Rail Projects of the Year
Port of Los Angeles Berth 200 Rail Yard by Herzog Contracting Corp. (Large)
Crawfordsville Bridge Repair by Joseph B. Fay Company (Small)

Field Employee of the Year
Mike Spalding, Track Superintendent, Stacy and Witbeck

2013
Rail Project of the Year
Dulles Corridor Metrorail Project, Delta Railroad Construction, Inc.

Field Employee of the Year
Craig Almont, Construction Project Engineer, Hamilton Construction

2012
Rail Project of the Year
Utah Transit Authority FrontRunnerSouth, Stacy & Witbeck/Herzog Contracting Corp. Joint Venture

Field Employee of the Year
Dave Friehl, Track Superintendent, Herzog Contracting Corp

2011
Rail Project of the Year
Utah Transit Authority West Valley TRAX Light Rail, a Stacy & Witbeck/Kiewit Infrastructure West Joint Venture

Field Employee of the Year
Anthony “Tony” MacIsaac, General Superintendent and Track Supervisor, Railroad Construction Company, Inc.

NRC Hall of Fame Inductees
James J. (Jim) Daloisio, Chairman and CEO, Railroad Construction Co. of South Jersey
Bill Herzog, Founder and Owner, Herzog Contracting Corp.
Thomas Philip “Phil” Stout, Executive, Atlas Railroad Construction/Marta Track Construction
National Railroad Construction and Maintenance Association
Grassroots Program

Because it’s more effective to “show and tell” rather than simply “tell,” the NRC’s grassroots program was created to invite United States Congressmen and women to visit NRC member facilities and construction project sites.

These visits not only give the Members of Congress firsthand knowledge of the rail industry, but they also demonstrate how rail contractors and suppliers are positively affecting the rail industry and the local and national economy. The results include positive publicity for the member company, a good working relationship with the company’s Representative or Senator, and a strong contact for the NRC to utilize when advocating for rail industry issues on behalf of our member companies on Capitol Hill.

These congressional visits are coordinated and executed by the NRC staff with little work required by the host NRC member company...we just need your project or facility to show off!

If your company is interested in hosting your Congressman for a visit, please contact Lindsey Collins at lcollins@nrcma.org or (202) 715-2916 to begin the process.

Grassroots Events Completed in 2015

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Highlights from NRC Grassroots Events

Congressman Adam Kinzinger (IL-16)
Friday, December 4, 2015
Event with Colo Railroad Builders in Minooka, IL

“Thank you to the team at Colo Railroad Builders for a fantastic tour of their new facility in Minooka. Rail transportation is important to the entire state of Illinois, and Colo’s operations will benefit not only the immediate region, but the entire 16th district. I was glad to speak with them about this week’s passage of the first long-term surface transportation bill in ten years, and how it will improve our nation’s rail infrastructure, enhance rail safety, accelerate rail project delivery, and leverage innovative financing.”

Congressman Donald Norcross (NJ-01)
Thursday, October 15, 2015
Event with Railroad Company of South Jersey in Paulsboro, NJ

“This investment in infrastructure in South Jersey is an investment in our future. The trains that will travel these rails will literally deliver new jobs and economic growth to this region, and that’s something we all welcome.” – Rep. Norcross

Congresswoman Cathy McMorris Rodgers (WA-05)
Tuesday, September 22, 2015
Event with L.B. Foster in Spokane, WA

“It is critical that manufacturers thrive in our community. I will continue to advocate for smaller and more effective government and work with local organizations, like L.B. Foster, to create opportunities and jobs right here in the Spokane region.” – Rep. McMorris Rodgers
Congressman Randy Hultgren (IL-06)  
Monday, September 22, 2014  
Event with Atlantic Track in Richmond, IL

“[Atlantic Track] believe in old fashioned blood, sweat and tears, working long hours to meet the high demand for their quality products, and have invested millions to expand their operations in the 14th District. Northern Illinois is a major cargo and freight hub for our nation--seeing Atlantic Track’s facility first-hand makes me proud to represent them in Congress.” – Rep. Hultgren

Congressman Charlie Dent (PA-15)  
Tuesday, September 2, 2014  
Event with R.J. Corman Railroad Group in Allentown, PA

“R.J. Corman’s locomotives do more than power their trains. They help power the economy of the Lehigh Valley by bringing necessary raw materials for our local businesses into the region.” – Rep. Dent

Senator Lindsey Graham (SC)  
Wednesday, May 28, 2014  
Event with Harsco Rail in Columbia, SC

“It was a pleasure to have a visit from Senator Graham and his staff to our South Carolina manufacturing facility. We have worked closely with the Senator’s office in the past and we appreciate all the help and support he has provided to our company, other South Carolina businesses, and the national economy.” –Scott Jacoby, President, Harsco Rail
Congressman Paul Ryan (WI-01)
Monday, September 16, 2013
Event with Nordco in Oak Creek, WI

“While there, Ryan spoke with Nordco employees to ‘learn more about their contributions to our economy,’ Ryan's press secretary Kevin Seifert said. “It was a productive conversation and Congressman Ryan appreciated the hospitality from those at Nordco,' Seifert said.” —Oak Creek Patch

Congressman Lynn Westmoreland (GA-02)
Thursday, August 9, 2012
Event with STX Railroad Construction Services, CSX, and Kia Motors America in Columbus, GA

“‘Any type of expansion is good, but especially in today's economy,’ said Congressman Westmoreland. They met to discuss the impact of railroads on the state’s economy...That's Kia Motors Manufacturing Georgia, the congressman and local officials. Plus, the National Railroad Construction and Maintenance Association... STX Railroad Construction and CSX Railroad.... They understand exactly how important this type of corporation is, especially for the economic growth of this area, and for the whole state.” —WRBL News 3
Bringing the Railroad Industry’s Message to Washington

Railroad Day on Capitol Hill brings together hundreds of the nation’s railroads, contractors, suppliers, and shippers for a day-long series of meetings with Congressional leaders. These sessions provide an opportunity to talk with our elected representatives about infrastructure spending, tax policy and regulatory issues, all of which affect the well-being of our businesses and the competitiveness of America in the global marketplace.

With an active Administration and Congress in DC struggling to make policy in a difficult economic environment, we need a big turnout on March 3rd to drive our message home.

“Participation of the rail industry in Railroad Day was critical to our efforts to secure passage of the short line railroad tax credit. My colleagues and I look forward to Railroad Day each year and hearing about the issues that are important to the industry.”

- Sen. Jerry Moran (R-KS)
  Sponsor of short line railroad tax credit legislation


Go to www.aslrra.org for event registration materials. The hotel room block at the Renaissance Washington will open shortly.

Also, please plan on joining Congressional leaders, Congressional staff, federal rail agency staff, and your colleagues for the Annual Legislative Dinner the evening of March 3rd.

Contact Kathy Cassidy of the ASLRRA at kcassidy@aslrra.org or 202-628-4500 for additional meeting information.
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2017 NRC Conference & NRC-REMSA Exhibition
January 8-11, 2017, Boca Raton, FL

2018 NRC Conference & NRC-REMSA Exhibition
January 10-13, 2018, Los Angeles, CA

2019 NRC Conference & NRC-REMSA Exhibition
January 6-9, 2019, Marco Island, FL

2020 NRC Conference & NRC-REMSA Exhibition
January 5-8, 2020, San Diego, CA

2021 NRC Conference & NRC-REMSA Exhibition
January 6-9, 2021, Hollywood, FL