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IAPA News

Adjusted Annual Highway Improvement Program

While the ILDOT's *FY2022 For the Record*, which summarizes the program accomplishments, has not been released, the Department provides quarterly updates on its [website](#).

According to the [adjusted annual highway improvement program dashboard](#), FY22 Q4 programmed costs were \$5.3 billion (3,063 projects) with awarded costs of \$3.3 billion (2,162 projects). The original annual highway improvement program was \$3.6 billion.



For project count, this represents a 71% accomplishment rate for the FY22 Q4 adjusted program compared to an FY20 Q4 rate of 91% and an FY21 Q4 rate of 69%.

For program cost, this represents a 62% accomplishment rate for the FY22 Q4 adjusted program compared to an FY20 Q4 rate of 78% and an FY21 Q4 rate of 53%.

[Website](#)

NAPA

[Pushing the Envelope: Long-Term Research and Implementation Needs to Reduce GHG Emissions](#)
 Tue, October 4, 2022
 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM Eastern

[Best Practices for Design of Low Volume Asphalt Parking Lots and Commercial Applications](#)
 Tue, November 1, 2022
 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM Eastern

[Perpetual Pavements: The Road to Long Lasting Pavement](#)
 Mon, November 21, 2022
 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM Eastern

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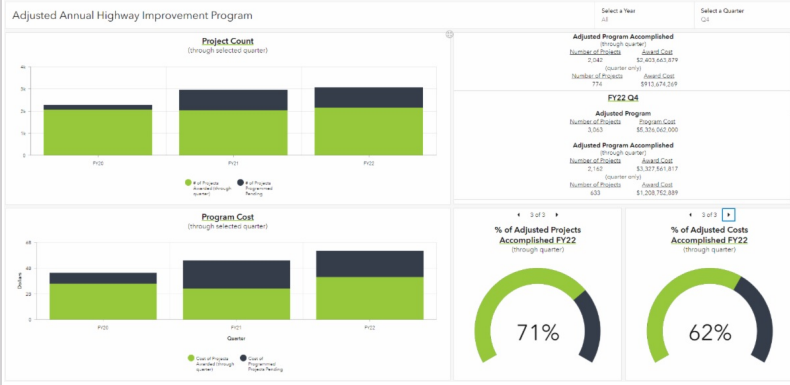
Publications

[Cold Weather Asphalt Paving](#)
 IAPA member Murphy Pavement Technology has developed a resource to assist Contractors with cold weather paving.

Past Events

[Navigating the Existing Energy Market](#)
 June 27, 2022

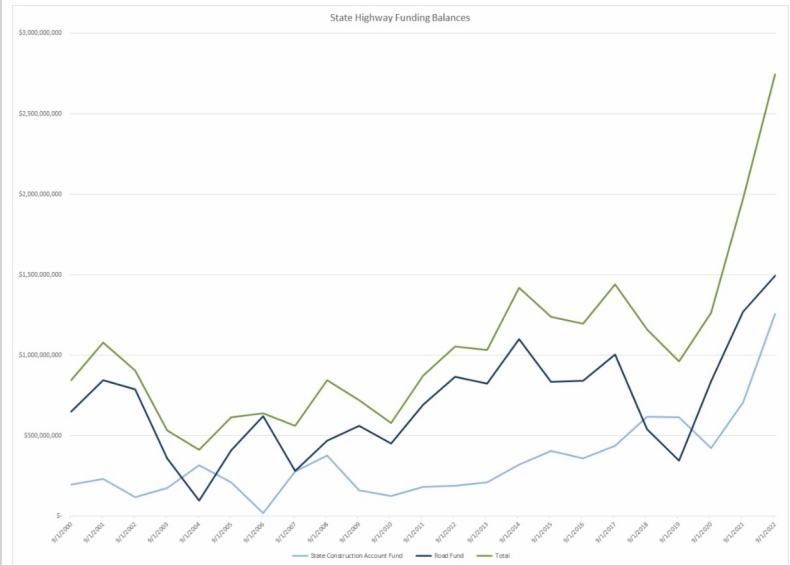
Environmental Health & Safety Committee Meeting
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According to the [Miles, Structures, and Safety Improvement Accomplishments dashboard](#), FY2022 Q4 miles programmed were 1,542 with awarded miles of 1,402. The original annual highway improvement program included 1,178 miles.



This data reflects the growing fund balances shown in the Road Fund (\$1.491 Billion) and State Construction Account Fund (\$1.254) as of September 2022.



Bituminous Paving Conference Award Nominations

The [63rd Illinois Bituminous Paving Conference](#) Awards Committee seeks nominations from DOTs, local agencies, and industry for awards.

Award categories are as follows:

- Marshall Thompson Student Research Award: recognizes an undergraduate or graduate student for his or her contribution to advance knowledge in the bituminous paving field.

June 2, 2022

[Insurance and Bond Trends for the Construction Industry](#)

March 31, 2022

[How to Ditch Bad Stationing](#)

March 21, 2022



- IAPA Bituminous Innovative Research Award: honors a person for his or her contributions to innovative and impactful research aimed to improve the performance of bituminous materials and/or pavements.
- Barry Dempsey Bituminous Technical Contribution of the Year Award: celebrates a DOT or industry employee for his or her outstanding technical/engineering contribution to the bituminous paving field.
- Imad Al-Qadi Leadership in Bituminous Engineering Award: commends a DOT or industry employee and/or organization for their leadership in the bituminous and flexible pavement field.

Please submit your nomination(s) by completing the [Bituminous Award Nomination form](#), describing the candidate's work while drawing particular attention to the contributions that merit the award.

Nominations are due **Friday, Oct. 21, 2022.**

Us Department of Labor announces changes to OSHA's Severe Violator Enforcement Program to strengthen enforcement, improve compliance

WASHINGTON – To strengthen enforcement and improve compliance with workplace safety standards and reduce worker injuries and illnesses, the U.S. Department of Labor is expanding the criteria for placement in the Occupational Safety and Health Administration's [Severe Violator Enforcement Program](#).

The [new criteria](#) include violations of all hazards and OSHA standards and will continue to focus on repeat offenders in all industries. Previously, an employer could be in the program for failing to meet a limited number of standards. The changes will broaden the program's scope with the possibility that additional industries will fall within its parameters.

Since 2010, the Severe Violator Enforcement Program has focused on enforcement and inspection resources on employers who either willfully or repeatedly violate federal health and safety laws or demonstrate a refusal to correct previous violations. In addition to being included on a public list of the nation's severe violators, employers are subject to follow-up inspections.

For more information on the changes to OSHA's click [here](#).

New Member Profile



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Capitol Update



2022 General Election

Early voting started on Thursday, September 29, 2022, and will conclude on Monday, November 7, 2022. Mail-in ballots must be returned by or postmarked on Tuesday, November 8, 2022.

In addition to the elected offices, the Workers' Right Amendment would add the following section to the Illinois Constitution:

"Section 25. Workers' Right. (a) Employees shall have the fundamental right to organize and to bargain collectively through representatives of their own choosing for the purpose of negotiating wages, hours, and working conditions, and to protect their economic welfare and safety at work. No law shall be passed that interferes with, negates, or diminishes the right of employees to organize and bargain collectively over their wages, hours, and other terms and conditions of employment and workplace safety, including any law or ordinance that prohibits the execution or application of agreements between employers and labor organizations that represent employees requiring membership in an organization as a condition of employment. (b) The provisions of this Section are controlling over those of Section 6 of Article VII."

Proponents argue that the amendment is needed to protect workers' right to unionize and bargain. While opponents argue that this amendment would give unions unprecedented control, increase property taxes, and put Illinois at a competitive disadvantage with surrounding states.

Important Dates

IDOT Lettings

<u>January 15, 2021</u>	<u>January 21, 2022</u>	January 20, 2023
<u>March 5, 2021</u>	<u>March 11, 2022</u>	March 10, 2023
<u>April 23, 2021</u>	<u>April 29, 2022</u>	April 28, 2023
<u>June 11, 2021</u>	<u>June 17, 2022</u>	June 16, 2023
<u>July 30, 2021</u>	<u>July 15, 2022</u>	August 4, 2023
<u>September 17, 2021</u>	<u>August 5, 2022</u>	September 22, 2023
<u>November 5, 2021</u>	<u>September 23, 2022</u>	November 17, 2023
	November 18, 2022	

AASHTO re: Source Proficiency Sample Program

Asphalt Mixture Gyrotory

- Enrollment Cutoff - April 7, 2022
- Closing Date - July 14, 2022

Asphalt Mixture Solvent Extraction

- Enrollment Cut Off - September 1, 2022
- Closing Date - December 8, 2022

Asphalt Mixture Ignition Oven

- **Enrollment Cut Off - October 13, 2022**
- Closing Date - January 19, 2023

[Sample Schedule Link](#)

NAPA Awards & Commendations Info

Act now to join industry leaders who gain national recognition for excellence in operational and construction best practices and be honored for your commitment to quality through your active participation in NAPA's Diamond Commendation and Awards programs.

Diamond Commendation Program:

NAPA has a robust online self-assessment Diamond Commendation program that allows industry leaders who follow industry best practices at the asphalt plant, paving jobsite, and terminal operations to gain national recognition for your operation's quality, safety, and excellence.

Industry leaders from across the country participate in the Diamond program because it provides assurance to an organization's commitment to excellence, provides positive press, and recognizes employees. [Hear from your peers](#) why the leading asphalt companies in the country participate in this program and why you should, too

For more information about the Diamond Commendation Program and to apply, visit www.AsphaltPavement.org/Diamond.

Applications must be received by Oct. 31, 2022, to be included in the 2023 Annual Meeting Diamond recognition. If you have any questions, contact Ebony Curry (ECurry@AsphaltPavement.org).

Awards Program:

Companies also have the opportunity to gain recognition for road owners (and their employees) through NAPA's Quality in Construction Awards. Showcase your employees and provide recognition to them and the road owners by submitting your projects for awards. There are three types of construction awards: General pavements, Highway pavements, and Airport pavements.

NAPA also has Operational Excellence Awards for companies who innovate and have a great safety and company culture.

To learn more about these awards and to apply, visit www.AsphaltPavement.org/Awards. Entry deadline is [Oct. 17, 2022](#). (QIC Award applications are accepted until Oct. 31, 2022, with a \$50 late fee.) For direct questions about the NAPA Awards Program, please contact Michelle Kirk (mkirk@asphaltpavement.org).

Please take advantage of the many ways to get recognized for work you are already doing! For any questions, please contact:

[Diamond Commendations](#) – Ebony Curry (ecurry@asphaltpavement.org)

[QIC Awards and OEAs](#) – Michelle Kirk (mkirk@asphaltpavement.org)

NCAT News

"Quality-Focused" Mindset Instrumental to success in the Asphalt Industry

2022 Pavement Hall of Fame inductee Wayne Jones has traveled from Anchorage to the middle-east teaching contractors the keys to building long-lasting asphalt pavements.

Attention to detail is the name of the game in the asphalt industry, a lesson occasionally overlooked by many contractors. Luckily for industry veteran Wayne Jones, every experience in his career has taught him that the little things can actually turn out to be the big keys to success.

"Attention to detail will make or break any project," Jones says. "When you're out there in the heat

of battle on the jobsite, it's easy to forget and maybe cut a few corners. But that attention to detail is what quality is all about. And everybody on the crew should be empowered as a quality control manager to make sure you're going to get the best results possible.”

Jones has used this quality-focused mindset since his first days in the industry. Experiences that may not have happened if it weren't for a few fortunate “accidents.”

For the full report, click [here](#).



IDOT Updates



IDOT receives award for exemplary procurement practices

SPRINGFIELD – The Illinois Department of Transportation announced it has received the American Council of Engineering Companies and the National Society of Professional Engineers 2022 Qualifications-Based Selection Award for the State or Local Government Sector. The award recognizes organizations that promote and make exemplary use of QBS methods to procure the professional services of consulting engineers at the federal, state or local level.

“We are proud to win this award for doing our utmost to obtain the best quality services at the best prices,” said Illinois Transportation Secretary Omer Osman. “At IDOT, we are committed to excellence. The QBS process helps us ensure a high level of quality in our work on behalf of Illinois residents, while respecting the taxpayer dollar.”

QBS is a procurement process that prioritizes experience and technical expertise rather than just the lowest cost bid. Through this process, firms are first assessed on their qualifications. The top-ranked firm is then contacted for price negotiations, with the goal of reaching a fair and reasonable price. If an agreement is not reached, negotiations shift to the second-ranked firm. The award will be presented at the ACEC Fall Conference in Colorado Springs during an awards luncheon on Tuesday, Oct. 18.

“The National QBS Award recognizes organizations and individuals who promote and make exemplary use of QBS methods, which is the gold standard for ensuring taxpayers get the best results for their tax dollars,” said Kevin Artl, president and chief executive of the American Council of Engineering Companies of Illinois, “The Illinois Department of Transportation has been exemplary in its commitment to QBS procedures and is most deserving of this special award and recognition. ACEC and its members are grateful that IDOT shares this view and we look forward to continuing to work with them to protect and promote this important process.”

Events, Studies, and Projects





I-55 STUDY
LORENZO ROAD + IL 129



Women of Asphalt Illinois

2023 WofA Mentorship Program

One of the primary goals of WofA is to foster and promote networking and mentoring opportunities. Our mentorship program is designed to be a resource for you and other women in the industry to help encourage success. If you are interested in becoming a mentor, or would like to be paired with a mentor, please complete the [WofA Mentorship Registration Form](#). We will be accepting registrations through October 21, 2022.

Never been involved in a mentorship program? Don't worry! We will provide plenty of resources for you, including a WofA Mentorship Guidebook and online training for mentors and mentees.

Need more information before making the decision? Please [click here](#) for an overview of the program or email us at info@womenofasphalt.org.

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IAPA Good Government Council

Through the years, the Illinois Asphalt Pavement Association (IAPA) and its Good Government Council Political Action Committee (GGC PAC) have supported elected legislators and officers of Illinois who understand the critical role that highway infrastructure plays in Illinois' economy. Through these efforts and the hard work of member companies and staff, IAPA is recognized as a leader in our industry. With the recent passage of the historic \$45 billion Rebuild Illinois Capital Bill, it is important for GGC PAC to be prepared to ensure the program is implemented as intended. Therefore, IAPA is requesting additional donations from members of the GGC PAC. Plant mix members are encouraged to donate \$1,000 to \$5,000 and all other membership categories are encouraged to donate \$500 to \$1000. Please support IAPA's GGC by completing the [Donation Form](#).

IAPA Scholarship Program

The Illinois Asphalt Pavement Association's scholarship program was started in 1984. To date, the program has awarded over 200 scholarships worth more than \$500,000. The purpose of the program is to:

- Promote knowledge of hot-mix asphalt (HMA) and HMA pavements;
- Enhance IAPA's relationship with engineering and construction schools throughout the state of Illinois; and
- Provide educational assistance to qualified students.

Students enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate engineering or construction management program at the University of Illinois Champaign-Urbana, University of Illinois - Chicago, Bradley

University, Lake Land College, [Southern Illinois University-Carbondale](#), or Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville are eligible for the program. Applications are coordinated through each respective university. Students selected for the award are required to complete a minor research report related to asphalt pavements and are invited to attend IAPA's Annual Conference.

[Scholarship Form Attached](#)

Marshall R. Thompson Professorship Endowment

The Illinois Asphalt Pavement Association (IAPA) appreciates the support, guidance, and contributions that Professor Marshall R. Thompson has provided to the Illinois and National asphalt pavement industry over his career. Marshall is well respected by academia, government agencies, and private industry. IAPA members are dedicated to providing high-quality, long-lasting, sustainable pavements to the traveling public and taxpayers of Illinois. In addition, IAPA is committed to ensuring the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign's (UIUC) Civil & Environmental Engineering Department of the College of Engineering remains a national leader in flexible pavement design and asphalt materials. Therefore, our goal is to raise funds from our members to endow the "Illinois Asphalt Pavement Association Marshall R. Thompson Professorship".

[UIUC Foundation Statement of Gift Form](#).

**Thank you for helping Illinois Asphalt keep those
in our community safe on the roads!**

**Kevin Burke III, P.E.
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