

September 5, 2023



INDUSTRY NEWS



Rep. Mike Levin Visits Wetland Restoration Project

*By Jimmy Christianson, AGC of America VP of Government Relations and
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On Aug. 28, AGC member Marathon Construction hosted Rep. Mike Levin (D-CA) for a project tour of the San Dieguito Lagoon Wetland Restoration Project. AGC San Diego Board Member Mike Furby and his team, in association with AGC of America and AGC San Diego, focused on the need for increased infrastructure funding for projects such as this.

The project now topping \$101 million (\$58 million federal, \$43 million Transnet), is part of a larger \$6 billion, 40-year project, which includes a set of transportation, environmental and coastal access projects undertaken by Caltrans and San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG). The restoration encompasses approximately 154 acres of land east of Interstate 5 and adjacent to the San Dieguito River that will establish coastal salt marsh wetlands, associated habitats, and increased public access in the lagoon. The project is also serving as mitigation for the City of San Diego's El Camino Real Bridge Replacement Project.

In addition to a project tour, we also discussed permit reform. This particular project was delayed because of the extensive environmental review process. As you well know, in California, we have the California Environmental Quality Act, but because this project uses federal funding, it also underwent review under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), which is also a lengthy process.

AGC urged Rep. Levin to join fellow California Rep. John Garamendi (D-CA) and become a co-sponsor of the *Expedited Federal Permitting for California Act* (H.R. 4908). This bill would essentially allow states with more rigorous state environmental review laws, like CEQA, to satisfy NEPA. If H.R. 4908 were to become law, it would allow future projects such as this to go through CEQA, without the extra burden of NEPA.

AGC and Marathon Construction are grateful for the Congressman's support of infrastructure funding and look forward to his continued investment in San Diego.

AGC offers September 6 Briefing and other Resources on new Davis-Bacon Regulations

The U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) recently announced a massive final rule updating the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts Regulations. The expected effective date is October 23, 2023.

AGC of America was successful in paring down some of the more controversial proposals in the 700-plus page rule. Nevertheless, the association's preliminary analysis shows that more work will be covered under Davis Bacon than previously covered and that DOL missed a critical opportunity to improve the wage determination process.

To help members prepare for the changes, AGC has partnered with DOL officials to provide a special virtual briefing about the impact of the regulatory changes on **September 6, 2023, at 2:00 p.m. EDT. (11:00 a.m. PDT)**. During the briefing, Jessica Looman, Principal Deputy Administrator of the DOL's Wage and Hour Division, will provide an overview of the rule and answer questions from AGC members. AGC experts will also provide an analysis of the rule. The briefing is free, but advanced [registration](#) is required.

AGC has also released the following resources to assist members:

- A one-page document providing the topline takeaways of the final rule [here](#); and
- A seven-page document summarizing in more detail key provisions of the final rule [here](#).



C&C Mentor Protégé Program

AGC San Diego is pleased to help sponsor the C&C Mentor Protégé Program, whose purpose is to assist small business growth and development in the region.

The program utilizes voluntary partnerships with larger firms and public agencies.

They are hosting a mentor [recruitment breakfast](#) on **Thursday, September 14** at the **Port of San Diego** from **10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**

The address is 3165 Pacific Highway, San Diego, 92101.

Click on the link below to find out more:

[C&C Program \(candcmentorprotege.com\)](http://candcmentorprotege.com)

[MORE INFORMATION](#)

MEMBER NEWS



2023 AGC Public Agency Showcase - Mixer & Dinner Featuring EGCA Foundation Honoree and Scholarship Awards

Join us on September 14, 2023, for the AGC Public Agency Showcase Mixer & Dinner – come learn as San Diego's leading agencies preview upcoming projects!

The event includes the EGCA Foundation Honoree and Scholarship Awards celebrating local student scholarship winners and honoring Don Daley III as this year's EGCA Foundation Honoree.

DATE: Thursday, September 14, 2023

TIME: 4:30 PM to 8:00 PM

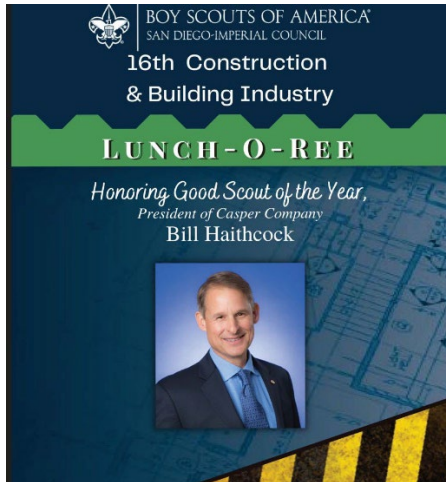
LOCATION: San Diego Yacht Club

COST: \$75 AGC Members / Non-Members

Buy raffle tickets for the EGCA Scholarship Foundation – *Temecula Wine Adventure Raffle* – featuring a \$1,000 gift card to South Coast Winery Resort & Spa. Buy your tickets when you checkout online or [click here for a Raffle Ticket Form](#).

Sponsorships available for AGC Member companies – [click here for information](#).

[REGISTER](#)



Bill Haithcock to be Honored as the 2023 "Good Scout of the Year"

The 16th Annual Boy Scouts Construction and Building Industry LUNCH-O-REE is **Thursday, October 5, 2023**

Bill Haithcock, President of Casper Company and AGC San Diego Chapter 2020 Past President, has been named the **2023 "Good Scout of the Year"** by the San Diego Imperial Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

A luncheon honoring Bill will be held on Thursday, October 5, beginning at 11:30 A.M. at the Paradise Point Resort in San Diego.

[BROCHURE](#)



AGC's "Meet Your General Contractor" Cornhole Tournament & Mixer – September 21

From the AGC 2023 Specialty Contractors Council

There's still time to get in on the **Meet Your General Contractor" Cornhole Tournament & Mixer** and help support students in the SDSU Construction Engineering and Management Program.

We currently have 20 General Contractor teams and 20 Subcontract/Affiliate teams signed up. [Click here for the list of teams!](#)

GC's who sign up for the tournament will be given an additional two spots to the mixer and a table to showcase their upcoming projects. GC's, this is your opportunity to talk with subcontractors and affiliates in attendance and let them know what's on your bid board. Bring your estimating team, your pre-construction team, and your safety team to meet AGC members.

Members can also sign up to attend the **mixer only** to watch the tournament and mix and mingle with friends in the industry.

The mixer includes grilled tri-tip and chicken with all the fixings, hosted bars, and an ice cream truck.

Join us on **September 21** at the AGC Lakeside Training Facility along with SDSU faculty, and past scholarship winners and graduates.

- **Cornhole Tournament teams are required to arrive at 3:30 p.m.**
- **The tournament and mixer will begin at 4:00 p.m.**

[Click here to register.](#)

Thank you [Cement Cutting](#) for enlisting as one of our **title sponsors** to help support this fundraising event!

We also thank our Ice Cream Sponsors:

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[San Diego-Imperial Council Boy Scouts of America](#)

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Our Raffle Prize Sponsors:

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[Click here](#) for the sponsor form with more opportunities to help support this event and SDSU. **Bar Sponsors are needed!**

Contact Rae Krushensky at raek@agcsd.org with any questions

GIVING BACK - VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



Announcing Coastal Cleanup Day

The AGC Build & Serve Committee is asking for AGC member volunteers for San Diego's Coastal Cleanup Day, **Saturday, September 23 - 9 AM - 12 PM**, which is a part of the International Coastal Cleanup facilitated by the Ocean Conservancy and organized statewide by the California Coastal Commission.

WHY VOLUNTEER?

By 2050, there could be more plastic than fish by weight in the world's oceans if we don't defend

our waterways from litter, and BECAUSE we LOVE where we live!

We have selected **De Anza Cove Park on Mission Bay**, located at 3000 N. Mission Bay Drive. We will meet north of the bathrooms in the grassy field next to the gazebo and playground. Wear comfortable clothes, a hat, close-toe shoes, and sunscreen.

AGC will set up a red tent to locate our group for the meet-and-greet area.

Bring your own work or disposable gloves, plastic garbage bags or buckets, and trash grabbers, if any.

We hope you can join us. Click [REGISTER link here](#) or register on the [flyer](#).

They need everyone to fill out a [waiver form](#) and bring the day of the event.



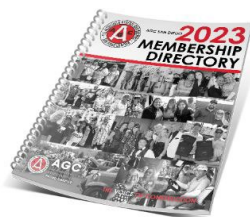
Senior Smoke Alarm Installation Project

AGC's Build & Serve Charitable Alliance is partnering, again, with the **Burn Institute** to install smoke detectors at a senior mobile home park in El Cajon on Saturday, **September 30** from 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM.

10 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.

Please contact [Marcy Knopman](#) if interested.

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY UPDATES



Membership Updates - Due September 15

All member companies received a notice regarding updating their member listings for the **2024 AGC San Diego Membership Directory**. The primary contact has been designated to update the listing. The deadline for submitting your updated listing is **Friday, September 15**. If you have received a notice and have not updated your listing yet, please [click here](#) or email [Marcy Knopman](#) to "keep as is."

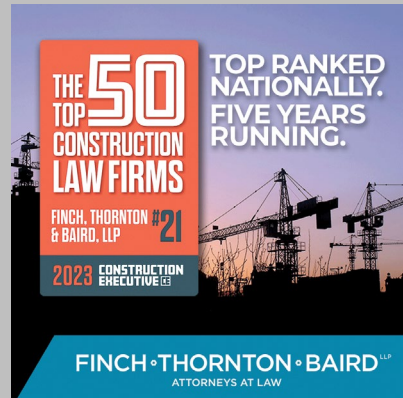
Advertising Opportunities

If you are considering placing an ad in the 2024 AGC San Diego Membership Directory, please contact our publisher, Naylor Association Solutions.

Click the [Media Guide](#) link for information on ad size options and rates.

Naylor Contact: Beth Palmer: Account Executive | Naylor Association Solutions -
Direct: (352) 333-3404 | Toll-Free: (800) 369-6220, ext. 3404
bpalmer@naylor.com

The Directory is a FREE member benefit provided to all members as a valuable resource guide! Thank you for taking the time to update your company listing.



It's time again to recognize the contractors who build San Diego's most impressive construction projects, ranging across building, highway and transportation, utility infrastructure, and sustainable project divisions.

AGC's 2023 Build San Diego Awards luncheon will be held on **Tuesday, November 14** at the Marriott Marquis & Marina. Over 300 guests are expected, including key public officials and owners.

We are proud to acknowledge our **returning "Title Sponsors"** whose support is vital to the success of this program:



The projects are judged in eight categories, and each project represents the hard work of General Contractors, Architects, Engineers, and Subcontractor firms.

Award categories:

- Building Construction – Public Work
- Building Construction – Private Work
- Heavy/Highway Construction
- Underground/Utility Construction
- Unique Small Project – Public Work
- Unique Small Project – Private Work

Unique Special Project
Best Sustainable Project

This event gives AGC an opportunity to showcase the industry, and to feature the amazing construction projects that our members complete. Public and private owners, elected officials, and the media recognize the importance of receiving one of these prestigious awards.

AGC members are encouraged to attend and support this awards ceremony, which reflects the industry's pride in building San Diego.

AGC MEMBERS

Early-Bird Registration Ends September 29!

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Sept. 14 - [Public Agency Showcase Mixer & Dinner](#) @ San Diego Yacht Club
Sept. 21 - [Meet Your GC Cornhole Tournament](#) - Registration Now Open
Sept. 23 - [Coastal Cleanup Day](#) *hosted by the Build & Serve Committee*

Oct. 2 - 31 - [Electronics Drive](#) *hosted by the Build & Serve Committee*
Oct. 9 - [Fall Golf](#) @ CCRB - **SPONSORS NEEDED!**
Oct. 19 - [CLC Car Show & Mixer](#) @ AGC Headquarters Lakeside

Nov. 14 - [Build San Diego Awards Luncheon](#)

Dec. 2 - **Holiday Dinner Dance** @ Hilton Torrey Pines
Dec. 14 - **Annual Meeting**

2024

Feb. 1 - 2, 2024 - [Winter Conference](#) - Four Seasons - Jackson, Wyoming

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

SEPTEMBER MEETINGS

Sept. 6 - 7:00 AM - **Safety Committee** - Lakeside
Sept. 7 - 11:30 AM - **HR Practices Committee** - Lakeside
Sept. 8 - 7:30 AM - **Caltrans/SANDAG** - Virtual
Sept. 12 - NOON - **Affiliate Council** - Lakeside
Sept. 13 - 11:45 AM - **Port of San Diego** - TBD
Sept. 19 - 11:30 AM - **Specialty Contractors Council** - Lakeside
Sept. 20 - 7:30 AM - **Build & Serve Charitable Alliance** - Virtual
Sept. 20 - 11:30 AM - **Workforce Development Committee** - Lakeside
Sept. 20 - 12:45 PM - **Water Authority** - Virtual

[Committee Meeting
Calendar](#)

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Committee](#)

EDUCATION / SAFETY TRAINING



Free AGCSD Member Webinar: Drones in Construction: More Than Just a Pretty Picture

When: Friday, September 22, 2023 | 10:00 AM -11:00 AM PST

Where: Virtual Via Zoom | Attendees will receive a Zoom link the day before the event.

Cost: **FREE** for all AGC San Diego Chapter Members! **Non-Members - \$25.00**
Limited to the first 75 Participants

Instructor: Dr. Joseph M. Burgett aka "Dr. Drone"

Event Details:

Over the past few years, the use of Unmanned Aircraft Systems, commonly referred to as "drones," has significantly increased in the construction industry. What started as a novelty toy to capture marketing images has become an invaluable tool for improving logistics, reducing costs, and supporting quality control. Drone-captured 2D images are now commonly used to create 3D models to document as-built conditions, monitor progress, and calculate material quantities. Incorporating aerial infrared thermography gives innovative contractors new insights into as-built conditions, envelope integrity, quality control, and building energy performance.

In this presentation, Dr. Joe Burgett will discuss the opportunities, challenges, and barriers to leveraging drones in construction. He will also discuss the cost of starting a program, and the steps contractors should follow to operate in the national airspace.

[REGISTRATION](#)

Event Contact:

Becca Schaffer | bschaffer@agcsd.org | Direct: 619-592-4533

*Classes are held at our **Ferris Square** location in Sorrento Valley or our **AGC Headquarters** in Lakeside, in addition to **online** classes, as indicated below.*

SEPTEMBER CLASSES

Date - Location - Course

Sept 6 - Online - **Project Engineer Bootcamp – Online Training**

Sept 6 - Ferris - **QuickBooks for Beginners – Desktop Version**

Sept 7 - Ferris - **MS PowerPoint Introduction**

Sept 7 - Lakeside - **Effective Project Engineer 24-Hr Certificate Program**

Sept 7 - Lakeside - **CPR First Aid Training**

Sept 7 - Ferris - **Trench & Excavation CPT**

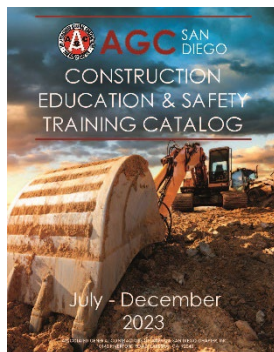
Sept 11 - Ferris - **MS Word Beginner**

Sept 11 - Ferris - **Fall Protection Competent Person Retraining**
 Sept 11-15 - Ferris - **Fall Protection 40-hour for Federal Employees**
 Sept 12 - Lakeside - **Traffic Control Technician & Flagger Training**
 Sept 12 - Online - **AGC LEAN Construction Program**
 Sept 12- Ferris - **Excel Intermediate**
 Sept 12 - Online - **Stormwater Webinar: 2022 SMARTS Systems**
 Sept 13 - Ferris - **QuickBooks for Intermediate / Advanced – Desktop Version**
 Sept 13 - Lakeside - **Prevailing Wage, Certified Payroll & Compliance Training**
 Sept 13 - Lakeside - **Construction Law, Scheduling Impact Claims**
 Sept 13 & 14 - Online - **Construction Quality Management – Contractors (CQM-C)**
 Sept 14 - Ferris - **MS Access Beginner**
 Sept 14 - Lakeside - **Bluebeam Basics – Hands-on Training**
 Sept 18-20 - Ferris - **Fall Protection 24-hour CPT for EM 385 (2 SEATS OPEN)**
 Sept 18 - Ferris - **MS WORD Intermediate**
 Sept 19 - Ferris - **Excel Advanced**
 Sept 19 - Lakeside - **Construction Law: Avoid Misclassification of Employees**
 Sept 20 - Online - **AGC BIM Education Program**
 Sept 20 - Ferris - **QuickBooks for Beginners – Online Version**
 Sept 27 - Lakeside - **Construction Law: Scheduling Impact Claims Seminar**
 Sept 25-27- Ferris - **Fall Protection 24-Hour CPT for EM 385**
 Sept 25 - Online - **Foreman & Superintendent Bootcamp**
 Sept 25 - Ferris - **Qualified Rigger & Signal Person**
 Sept 25-28 - Lakeside - **EM 385-1-1 40 Hour Certification**
 Sept 25-28 - Lakeside - **OSHA 30-Hour Construction Outreach**
 Sept 26 - Ferris - **Computer Basics Hands-on Training**
 Sept 27 - Lakeside - **Construction Law, Critical Issues in Contract Negotiations**
 Sept 27 - Ferris - **QuickBooks for Intermediate / Advanced – Online Version**
 Sept 27 & 28 - Online - **Construction Quality Management – Contractors (CQM-C)**
 Sept 28 - Ferris - **Excel Beginner**

AGC EDGE VIRTUAL COURSES

<https://training.agc.org/course/vcsf230801/>

**Make sure to mark AGC San Diego as your referral chapter.*



2023 Training Calendar and Class Registration

[July - December 2023](#)

Education & Safety Training Catalog

If you do not see a class your team needs, please contact the AGC San Diego Education Department to check the upcoming schedule or schedule a group training session.

[Becca Schaffer](#) 619-592-4533

PLAN ROOM



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Lakeside, CA 92040
(858) 558-7444

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AGC Government Affairs Office & Fall Protection Training Campus

6212 Ferris Square
San Diego, CA 92121
2nd floor

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About Monday Morning Quarterback

AGC San Diego Chapter's Monday Morning Quarterback is a "hot off the press" and to the point Monday morning briefing on the important issues facing San Diego's construction industry. It is prepared by AGC Chief Executive Officer, Eddie Sprecco, and Vice President Government & Industry Relations, Dustin Steiner.

Please contact [Eddie Sprecco](#) or [Dustin Steiner](#) with your comments, or with information that should be conveyed to the industry through this service. Well over 3,000 individuals employed by AGC member firms are part of this system.

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