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PENNSYLVANIA AGGREGATES AND CONCRETE ASSOCIATION HOSTS INAUGURAL UNDERGROUND STONE CONFERENCE

HARRISBURG, Pa. (Oct. 6, 2022) – The Pennsylvania Aggregates and Concrete Association (PACA), Pennsylvania's leading voice for the crushed stone, ready mixed concrete, sand and gravel, and cement industries, held its inaugural underground stone conference today in Pittsburgh.

The one-day conference featured presentations on underground topics such as geotechnical grout selection, pillar design and roof support by industry experts, including:

- Brent Slaker and his team from NIOSH Mining;
- Penn State University Mining Engineering Chair Sekhar Bhattacharyya and staff;
- Alan A. Campoli, Ph.D., P.E. from Respec; and
- Cheryl Spellman from Pennsy Supply Inc., a CRH company.

“Mining has long been a key component of Pennsylvania’s economy, and our members are on the front lines of it,” said Pennsylvania Aggregates and Concrete Association President and CEO Peter Vlahos. “As an industry, we are constantly evolving and responding to a variety of changes. Today’s conference gave our membership a chance to learn from experts in their field on best practices, safety and technology advancements.”

Taking the time to learn and share best practices within the membership is part of a long-term, coordinated effort from PACA. Events like this underground stone conference allow PACA, its members and industry partners to continue to build, grow and improve the Pennsylvania aggregates industry in a safe and responsible manner.

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About PACA

PACA is Pennsylvania's leading voice for the crushed stone, ready mixed concrete, sand and gravel, and cement industries' community. PACA safeguards the industry from common threats; expands market opportunities; trains a productive workforce; educates and communicates the





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value of construction materials to all Pennsylvanians; serves as the gathering place for industry stakeholders; and unites divergent interests into a shared platform for action to benefit the aggregates, ready mixed concrete and cement industries in Pennsylvania.

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