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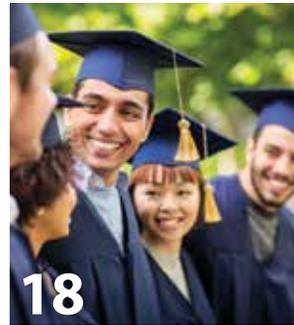


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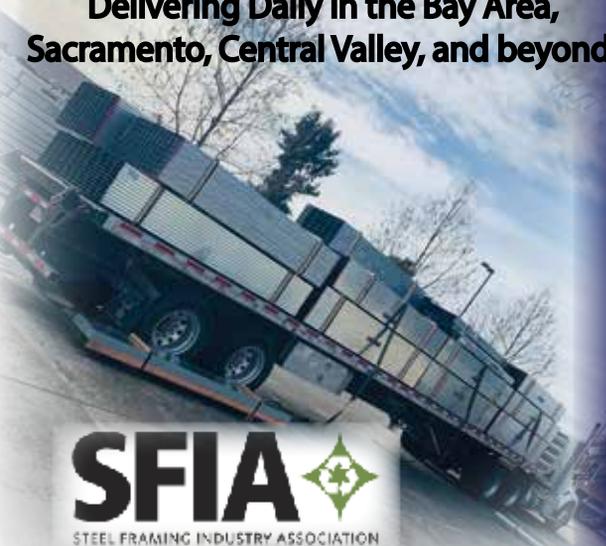
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RECOGNIZING THE YEAR'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS

As fall approaches, with the weather changing and the industry moving forward, I'd like to point out some key credits we've had this year.

WACA Board President Jim Ruane, with Patrick J. Ruane, was recently appointed by Governor Gavin Newsom to the Contractors State Licensing Board. The appointment is a four-year term. Jim is the first wall and ceiling contractor in our industry who has been granted this seat with the state.

We have been covering the election of WACA's secretary-treasurer, Nancy Brinkerhoff, with Ironwood Commercial Builders, as the first female president with AWCI. Her presidency started in June and will go through mid-year of 2020. Nancy was also part of the selection committee that appointed Michael Stark, AWCI's new chief executive officer. Michael started his post in July, replacing Steve Etkin. Steve has retired after 24 years as CEO with AWCI. We wish good fortunes to Steve and salute his contributions to improve the wall and ceiling industry.

This summer, the Carpenters Training Committee for Northern California (CTCNC) broke ground on the new Training Center in Pleasanton. The facility will offer

87,000 square feet and contain 50 new weld booths, 15 classrooms and a two-story, open-concept shop that will allow for the construction of larger structures. The center will also have the capacity to enable training on new technology based on Building Information Modeling (BIM) software. The new facility is expected to be done by spring of 2020.

We've had excellent results with our legislative efforts. We will print a Legislative Score Card in the winter issue detailing the results of legislative changes; note that the deadline for mandated harassment training was extended by one year.

Lastly, with construction still thriving, we understand how challenging it is to balance workloads and projects. With our holiday party approaching, we hope to see you take a moment to celebrate all the year's accomplishments and the new year to come.

Happy Thanksgiving!



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by Mark Cooper, Manufacturing Representative



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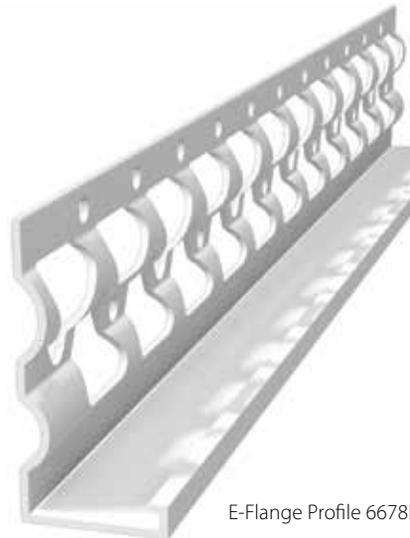
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GOLF TOURNAMENT: Every Player Walked Away a Winner



WACA once again sold out early, two and a half months before the tournament! On September 20, a total of 220 players showed up at Poppy Ridge Golf Course. Breakfast burritos were provided upon arrival, and a specialty coffee cart bar made drinks to order. Two major door prizes were given to every attendee: a pair of Wiley X sunglasses and a wireless JBL speaker. This means every player walked away a winner!

The 11:30 a.m. shotgun start began with a bang and everyone scattered in golf carts across the courses. Due in part to the generous mega-sponsors, slushy margaritas and hand-scooped ice cream with piping-fresh waffle cones awaited players on the green. Drinks were made available by hole sponsors, some of whom represented their

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During dinner, lucky winners received amazing raffle gifts. In addition to the raffle prizes, crystal trophies were awarded to tournament champions, and for men's and women's closest to the pin and long drive. Along with the crystal award, they all received a gift card. Tournament champions were the KHS&S foursome of Don Archuleta, Eric Ladd, Martin Martinez and Frank Lindsay.

WACA thanks all the sponsors who made this competition possible.

The 2019 Golf Tournament sold out in early July. WACA recommends registering for/sponsoring this popular event as soon as the 2020 event registration opens in spring.





2019-2020 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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NCCRC Annual Holiday Moose Feed
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* **DECEMBER 14, 2019**
WACA Holiday Party
San Francisco, California

DECEMBER 16-18, 2019
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FEBRUARY 4, 2020
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FEBRUARY 11-14, 2020
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* **FEBRUARY 20, 2020**
WACA Crab Feed
San Francisco, California

FEBRUARY 20-22, 2020
Construction Institute Summit
Los Angeles, California

MARCH 9-12, 2020
AGC Convention and
CONEXPO-CON/AGG Tradeshow
Las Vegas, Nevada

MARCH 10, 2020
FCICA Convention
Nashville, Tennessee

MARCH 22-25, 2020
CISCA Convention
Las Vegas, Nevada

MARCH 22-25, 2020
International Summit & Exhibition
on Health Facility Planning, Design &
Construction (PDC, formerly ASHE)
San Antonio, Texas

MARCH 22-26, 2020
AWCI's Annual Convention
Las Vegas, Nevada

MARCH 26, 2020
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To demo the BIM CUBE and learn more about how it can serve your company, email Maria Carlomagno at maria@wallandceiling.org or call (925) 600-0475. For technical questions, contact Technical Director Ben Duterte at ben@wcbureau.org or Technical Advisor Mike Nonn at mike@wcbureau.org.





ALEXIS CANAS



- CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY, SAN LUIS OBISPO
- GRADE LEVEL: THIRD YEAR
- MAJOR: BS, CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT

I am from the Coachella Valley, located in Southern California. I originally thought I wanted to be a civil engineer. I am fascinated by buildings and have always wanted to be a part of building something amazing. For me, being able to pass a building and say I helped build it is one of the greatest things I could ever accomplish.

I went to the University of California at Irvine to pursue a degree in civil engineering. I discovered through the coursework that I was not interested in the design aspect of the program and went to the career center for guidance. There I was introduced to construction management, a major I had not yet learned about. Following some research, construction management seemed like the perfect fit for me. I decided to transfer to Cal Poly SLO because of this major and their "learn by doing" culture. I have been attending for a year now and am going into my senior year. I really enjoy my major, my school and all my professors. My time at Cal

Poly, along with the internships I've had, has proven to me that I made the right decision.

I am still learning what my career goals and aspirations will be, but one goal for certain is to get as much experience as possible in all aspects of a construction project. I would like to build different types of structures, and would like to gain experience as a superintendent, project manager, scheduler, estimator and accountant.

One day I want to create an organization that provides financial assistance to low-income, first-generation students interested in pursuing a four-year education in construction management. I would like for this organization to guide students with their resumes, internships, finances and in obtaining a professional career. I look forward to learning about construction management while helping the next generation in the industry as WACA has for me.

JORGE GARCIA



- CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, SACRAMENTO
- GRADE LEVEL: FOURTH YEAR
- MAJOR: BS, CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT

I grew up in Visalia, California, a dairy town west of Sequoia National Park. The Sierra Nevada was basically my backyard. When we were out for recess in elementary school, we would always appreciate the beautiful view of the snowy mountaintops. Later, when I was old enough to work with my mother picking fruit, the white mountain peaks always grabbed my attention. The Sierra Nevada runs long, and because of it, looks endless. It is my favorite part of growing up in the Central Valley.

As mentioned, in my teenage years I would work picking fruit with my mother. Those were some difficult times. We always had contractors who would treat us poorly. On top of that we earned minimum wage and at times below minimum wage, and it made us feel horrible. Yet, there were

two contractors that I will never forget because they treated us with respect. They would buy us pizza, sodas and look at us when speaking to us. I looked up to those guys and I wanted to be just like them: respectful and caring to all people no matter how they look or where they come from. Growing up, I wanted to be a civil engineer because I enjoyed math and I loved the artistic side of buildings. When I found out about construction management, a major that gives me the chance to be out in the field with the tradespeople and work aside engineers and architects, I knew the major was made for me.

My career goals and aspirations are to become a superintendent at a respected construction company and to be able to care for and respect the people that I work alongside.

SUSIE HORNER



- CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, CHICO
- GRADE LEVEL: SENIOR
- MAJOR: BS, CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT; BS, CONCRETE INDUSTRY MANAGEMENT

I was born and raised in Chico, California. When it came time to choose a college, I wanted to go anywhere other than Chico State. I was accepted to Cal Poly San Luis Obispo in 1996 for architecture, but I was already a teen mother and could not afford to pursue that dream. Years later, I struggled to attend Butte College as a civil engineering major and raise two children on my own. I completed my Associate of Science degree, though not in engineering. Shortly thereafter, I got married and became a Navy wife. My husband adopted my two children, and we now have a total of five children (ages 23, 21, 9, 7 and 6) and one grandson (age 4).

Now, 23 years later, I am proud to be attending CSU, Chico and finally fulfilling my dream of earning my Bachelor of Science degree in construction management. I chose to major in construction

management because of its close connection to architecture and engineering that I was interested in. The Concrete Industry Management (CIM) program that introduced me to the career path that I am so passionate about did not even exist at Chico State until 2007. When I learned about the CIM program, only one of four in the United States, I added it as a second major.

After three summer internships with construction materials companies, I learned that I am very passionate about aggregate mining and all things related to quarries and heavy equipment. I am also concurrently earning my Heavy Equipment Operations certificate along with my double major. I aspire to be a plant manager or superintendent of an aggregate plant and quarry. Even though it has been a very long journey for me, I know I am exactly where I am meant to be.

DIANA GONZALEZ



- CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, CHICO
- GRADE LEVEL: JUNIOR
- MAJOR: BS, CIVIL ENGINEERING;
BS, CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT

I was born in Sacramento, California, and lived there for my first four years of life. I then moved to Oroville, California, 80 miles north in Butte County. It was then that I was introduced to Chico State on a campus tour. Little did I know that I would attend that school 12 years later. My time in Butte County was short and I moved to a small town of 6,000 people called Plumas Lake. My family has lived in the same house for the past 15 years, except for me as I am attending college.

My interest in construction really began with my family and, most importantly, my dad. My parents' story started when they came to this country in search of a better life. Growing up, I heard my father and uncles talking about their work in construction as concrete masons, carpenters and laborers. I was always fascinated by how they spoke about their crafts. Some of my favorite moments in life include walking through completed projects that my dad worked on; he would talk to me about the project problems they faced and how they

overcame those challenges. You could hear the pride he had in his work. It was during those times that I told myself I wanted to be a great designer and design great buildings while taking pride in my work.

A year and a half into my civil engineering degree, I took a construction management course and knew I wanted to take that path as well. After much consideration and many mentoring sessions with both the civil engineering and construction management department chairs, I am on track to earn two degrees in both these fields within five years. After completing my education, I hope to start in a field engineering position to decide whether to choose a superintendent or project manager role. In due time, I hope to go back to school and pursue a master's degree in either workforce development or public policy. Once I obtain this degree, I hope to work for an organization that helps educate, inform and defend worker rights in the construction fields.

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AWCI's First Female President

by Don Procter

“Being the first woman president of the Association of the Wall and Ceiling Industry following its centennial celebration is quite the honor. I will do the best job I possibly can to advance the industry and the association,” says Nancy Brinkerhoff, CEO and president of Ironwood Commercial Builders, located in Northern California. “I started my company in 2007 during the beginning of the great recession. Was this a bold, risky move? Yes it was, though it was a great risk. My partner (my husband of 34 years) and I were willing to take the risk, dive in and determined to make it work,” she says.

Ironwood self-performs drywall/metal framing, lath and plaster and fire-proofing. The company has recently taken on general contracting in the federal market, which works well with its self-performing divisions, according to Brinkerhoff.

Solid Advice

Many contractors across the United States like Ironwood face different challenges today than a decade ago. When she started the company in 2007, the San Francisco Bay Area and most of the country was in a recession. “It was a bad market,” she recalls. “Everyone was fighting for the same job, and the margins were low. Today, the big challenge is workforce: getting and keeping qualified good people.”

Brinkerhoff advises young contractors trying to build a solid reputation to “never overpromise. You need to do what you say you are going to do. You can’t go into a project and make 25 excuses when things go wrong about what happened.”

Presidential Goals

Brinkerhoff says one of her priorities over the next 12 months as AWCI’s new president is a membership drive for new contractors and those companies with younger leaders. “The main goal is to take this association to the next generation,” she says.

We have a number of member contractors who are passing the helm to their children and/or younger executives — a good thing, says Brinkerhoff. To take AWCI to the next generation, Brinkerhoff believes the association also needs to reach out to small business contractors led by young, progressive minds. Young blood is good for the industry, she says, partly because they readily adopt new ideas, technology and ways of operating a business.



Nancy Brinkerhoff with members of AWCI’s chapter in Northern California, the Wall And Ceiling Alliance

“We would like to implement sponsoring new companies’ registrations that can’t otherwise afford to come to our convention, so they can attend and see the value of this association,” Brinkerhoff says. “I believe there are hundreds of companies that could be part of this organization, but for these contractors to take a dedicated amount of time away from work to come to our convention, they need to know and see the value of the information they will gain and the opportunities from networking nationwide.”

The Tech Curve

While technological advancements can, on one hand, increase productivity, on the other hand it can come at a financial cost too high for many contractors. “Larger contractors are generally industry leaders and generally have the funds to incorporate advanced, new technology,” Brinkerhoff says.

AWCI can help members of all sizes catch up to the technology curve. As a founding member of the Wall And Ceiling Alliance in Northern California, she has been part of an initiative that allows member-contractors to use a virtual reality headset to walk through a Building Information Modeling Collaborative Ultimate Building Environment (BIM CUBE) with their clients in a warehouse section of WACA to evaluate the design of their projects. "You can redesign as you walk through," she says. "You can even place the studs." WACA staff runs the program.

According to a recent article that appeared in The Technical Corner of WACA's quarterly magazine, "Recent research supports . . . that while demand for BIM appears to be growing, particularly among owners and general contractors, wholesale acceptance by trade contractors continues to lag. A 2017 study by Dodge Data & Analytics found that while 46 percent of the general contractors or construction managers surveyed who were using BIM were using it on more than one-half of their projects, only 30 percent of surveyed trade contractors were doing the same. Interestingly, the same report found that, in general, trade contractors were comparatively more comfortable with the complexities and functionality of BIM programs than architects and engineers. According to the survey, trade contractors believe BIM's best attribute is its ability to provide the latest version of a design and view using that trait as a means to avoid costly rework once a project commences."

Brinkerhoff says Ironwood will use the BIM CUBE on an exterior contract it is doing for the federal government. Most companies won't have the budget for in-house technology like this. "It is a good example of how associations like WACA and AWCI can benefit their members," she says.

Other technologies benefit the industry — including prefabrication, an area to investigate as the industry moves forward, she says. The shift to OST (on-screen takeoffs) bidding has proven to be "five times faster" than bidding from paper drawings — a smart investment for contractors of all sizes.

Workers Wanted

Regarding the shortage of skilled labor, there's no easy solution to building a young group of workers in the field. Revisiting recruitment efforts in high schools is one place to start. Efforts to draw young women — "an untapped resource" — into the field are also important, says Brinkerhoff, a member of the National Association of Women in Construction.

"It's the trades that need to recruit," she says, noting that there are only three women in her field crew of about 80. "Women need to hear that this is a market that they can excel in. We need to improve our women's outreach. They should know that this is a fulfilling and exciting potential career path for them."

Personal Involvement

In addition to the NAWIC, Brinkerhoff is active in a number of wall and ceiling associations. At WACA she is the secretary/treasurer, and she is a former president of the Bay Area Builders Exchange. She is also a trustee on the Plasterers' Pension Fund and chairperson of Plasterers Health and Welfare. At AWCI, Brinkerhoff participates in the Women's Business Forum in which female executives meet to share company matters, including problem jobs and potential solutions.

Brinkerhoff is honored and excited to be part of AWCI and looks forward to bringing new and innovative ideas to the organization over the next year. AWCI looks forward to bringing in new members and knows they will find the organization and its resources a great benefit available to contractors nationwide.

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On July 25, WACA held its member meeting in Belmont at The Van's. Guests were able to network among peers in a laid-back environment and discuss developments in the industry as well as local topics.

Per members' input, a guest speaker presented during dinner. The speaker was Brent Fisher, formerly CSI, CDT, Business Development Strategic Accounts with Dryvit Systems, Inc. After retiring from 34 years at Dryvit, Fisher decided to offer his experience and knowledge, accumulated over more than 35 years, to the design and contractor communities. His new business EIFS Assist is a professional consultancy focusing on helping contractors, architects, owners, insurers and code officials understand and utilize exterior insulation finish systems (EIFS) wall claddings. Fisher's goal is to assure each application achieves a best practice and is installed with excellent service through the life of the application. EIFS Assist offers written input in pre-planning, planning, schematics, specifications and submittal phases of the application. For more information, contact Fisher at brentfisher.eifsassist@outlook.com and by phone at (510) 459-3978.



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Protection from Wildfire Smoke

Background

On December 12, 2018, Petition No. 573 was filed with the Cal/OSHA Standards Board seeking an emergency standard to protect outdoor workers in areas impacted by unhealthy levels of wildfire smoke. The petitioners were the California Labor Federation AFL-CIO, Worksafe, and the California Rural Legal Assistance Foundation.

Relief sought included:

- An emergency standard that would require protections in the event the Air Quality Index (AQI) for PM 2.5 rises to the “unhealthy” level (i.e., over 150). Note: the AQI was developed by the EPA to inform the public of unhealthy air levels
- Feasible engineering controls such as enclosed structures or vehicle cabs with filtered air for rest and meal breaks
- Administrative controls such as changes in work location and schedules, reduction in work intensity and additional rest periods
- An emergency standard that should also address provision of appropriately selected and maintained respiratory protection

Health Concerns

Cal/OSHA and the Board shared the concern of how airborne particle size is directly linked to the potential for causing health problems. Small

particles less than 2.5 micrometers in diameter pose the greatest risk because of how they penetrate deep into the lungs and may enter the bloodstream. Adding to the risk, toxic volatile and semi-volatile organic compounds can be absorbed onto airborne PM 2.5 particles.

Standards Board Action

On Thursday, July 18, 2019, the Cal/OSHA Standards Board adopted an emergency regulation to protect outdoor workers from the hazards of wildfire smoke. The regulation became effective on July 29, 2019, and is enforceable for six months but can be extended for two additional 90-day periods.

During that time, Cal/OSHA will convene advisory meetings to receive input from stakeholders with a goal of adopting a permanent standard. Standards Board member Dave Harrison (Operating Engineers Local 3) has asked Cal/OSHA to launch an educational program much like the Heat Illness Prevention effort.

This regulation applies to workplaces where:

- The current Air Quality Index (AQI) for the pollutant PM 2.5 (particulate matter) is at least 151, and the employer should reasonably anticipate that employees may be exposed to wildfire smoke



- The following workplaces are exempt from this regulation:
 - o Enclosed buildings or structures with filtered air by a mechanical ventilation system, where the employer ensures that windows, bays, and other openings are kept closed
 - o Enclosed vehicles with filtered air where the windows, doors and other openings are kept closed
 - o Situations where the employer demonstrates that the concentration of PM 2.5 in the air does not exceed an AQI of 151 by conducting worksite measurements
 - o Employees exposed to an AQI for PM 2.5 of 151 or greater for a total of one hour or less during a shift
 - o Firefighters engaged in wildland firefighting



Employer Responsibilities

Identification of Harmful Exposures

Determine employee exposure to PM 2.5 before each shift and periodically thereafter as needed by checking the AQI forecasts from any of the following:

- AirNow website – www.airnow.gov
- U.S. Forest Service Wildland Air Quality Response program website – sites.google.com/firenet.gov/wfaqrp-external/home
- California Air Resources Board website – ww2.arb.ca.gov/homepage
- Local Air Pollution Control District websites – www.capcoa.org/districts

Employers may also obtain AQI forecasts and information directly from these agencies via telephone, email or text. Or employers may measure PM 2.5 at the worksite with a direct-reading particulate matter monitor. This option must be executed consistent with Appendix A, “Measuring PM 2.5 Levels at the Worksite,” of the regulation, which provides guidance on the process.

Communication

Establish and implement a system for communicating wildfire smoke hazards in a form readily understandable by all affected employees. Communication must include the current AQI for PM 2.5, and protective measures available to employees to reduce their exposure. Employers shall encourage employees to inform their employer of worsening air quality, and any adverse symptoms that may result from exposure to wildfire smoke such as asthma attacks, difficulty breathing and chest pain. Employees must not suffer retribution or reprisal for such action.

Training and Instruction

The employer shall provide employees with effective training and instruction consistent with Appendix B, “Information to Be Provided to Employees (Mandatory).” Training must address the health effects of wildfire smoke, the right to obtain medical treatment without fear of reprisal, how employees can obtain the current AQI for PM 2.5, and the requirements of the regulation. Also to be addressed is the employer’s two-way communication system, the employer’s methods to protect employees from wildfire smoke, and the importance, limitations, benefits and proper use of respirators for smoke exposures.

Control of Harmful Exposures to Employees

Control harmful exposures with engineering controls, administrative controls and voluntary respirator use. Engineering controls are considered the first order of protection and include providing enclosed buildings, structures or vehicles where the air is filtered. Administrative controls can include relocating workers to a safe area, changing work schedules, reducing work intensity or providing additional rest periods.

Control by Respiratory Protective Equipment

Employers must provide respirators, such as N95 filtering facepiece respirators, for **voluntary** use when the AQI reaches 151. Voluntary use does not require fit-testing. When the AQI for PM 2.5 exceeds 500, respirator use is **mandatory** and subject to the requirements of General Industry Safety Order 55144, including fit-testing.

Emergency Operations

Certain emergency operations such as work to restore utilities and communications, and medical operations, are not subject to the engineering and administrative controls, but follow the respirator provisions.

Public Hearing

Cal/OSHA convened the first stakeholder meeting on August 27, 2019, to discuss proposed amendments to the emergency regulation. In those proposed amendments, Cal/OSHA raised the prospect of future consideration of lowering the AQI threshold triggering voluntary respiratory protections from 151 to 101. That is considered a level of Particulate Matter 2.5 unhealthy for sensitive groups. The 151 level is considered generally unhealthy.

At the new lower threshold, employers would be required to establish and implement a system for informing employees as early as possible that the air is unhealthy for sensitive people, make Appendix B (training) available to employees, and provide respirators upon request.

Under the current emergency regulation, those provisions are triggered at 151.

Cal/OSHA has also proposed lowering the threshold triggering mandatory respiratory use from above 500 to 300, a level considered “very unhealthy.”

Although an additional public stakeholder meeting has not yet been scheduled, **it is important that employers with potentially exposed employees understand what is required at this time under the emergency regulation that is being enforced by Cal/OSHA enforcement staff.**

Additional updates will be provided as developments occur.

To review the actual emergency regulation in place at this time, click on this link: www.dir.ca.gov/OSHSB/documents/Protection-from-Wildfire-Smoke-Emergency-apprvdtxt.pdf.

The Spanish language version of the emergency regulation can be accessed at: www.dir.ca.gov/dosh/doshreg/Protection-from-Wildfire-Smoke/Spanish/Protection-from-Wildfire-Smoke-Emergency-proptxt-spanish.pdf.



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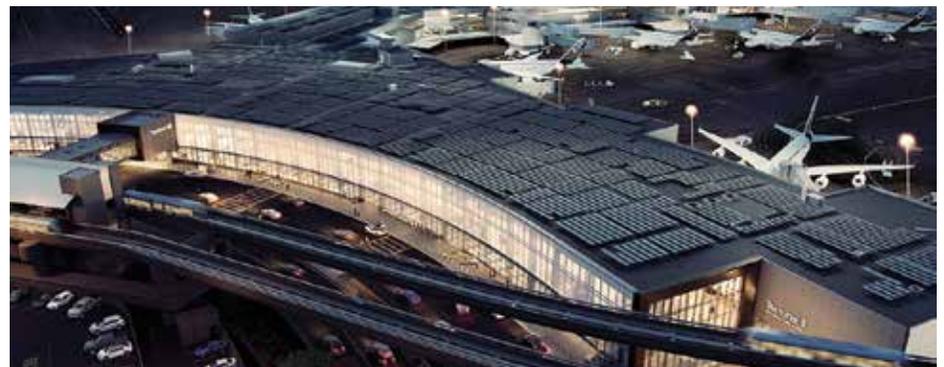
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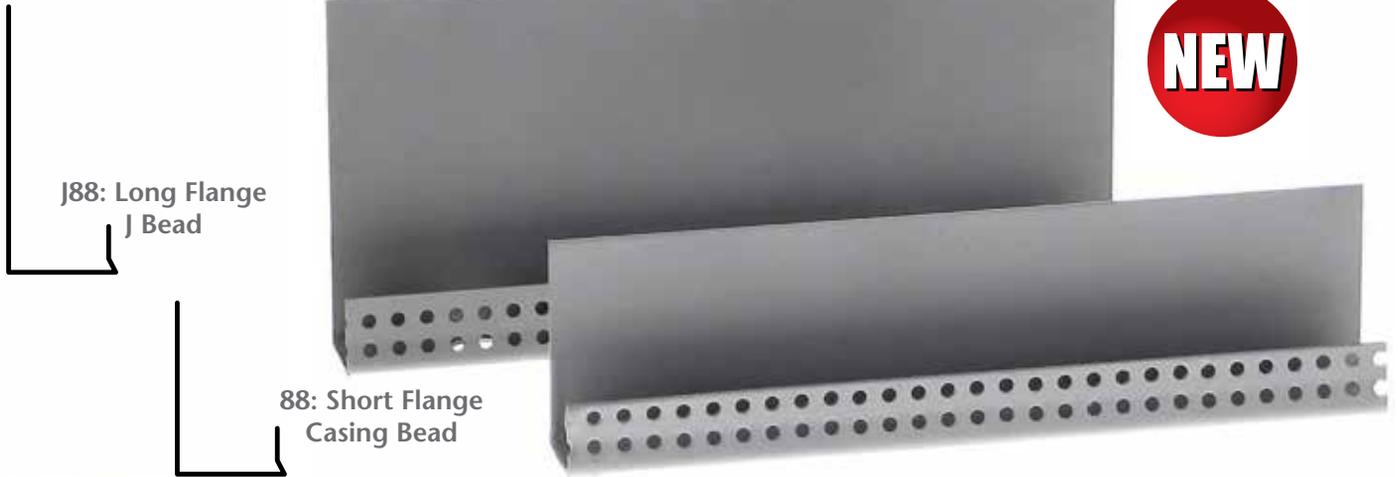




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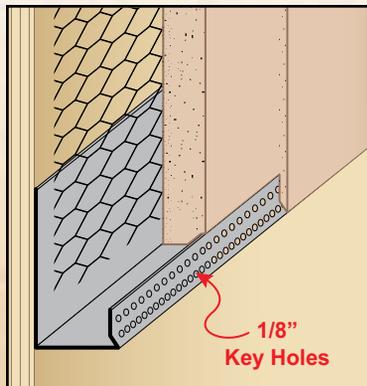
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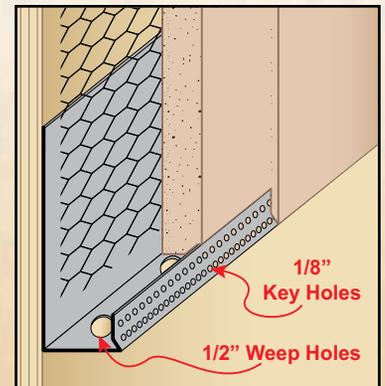
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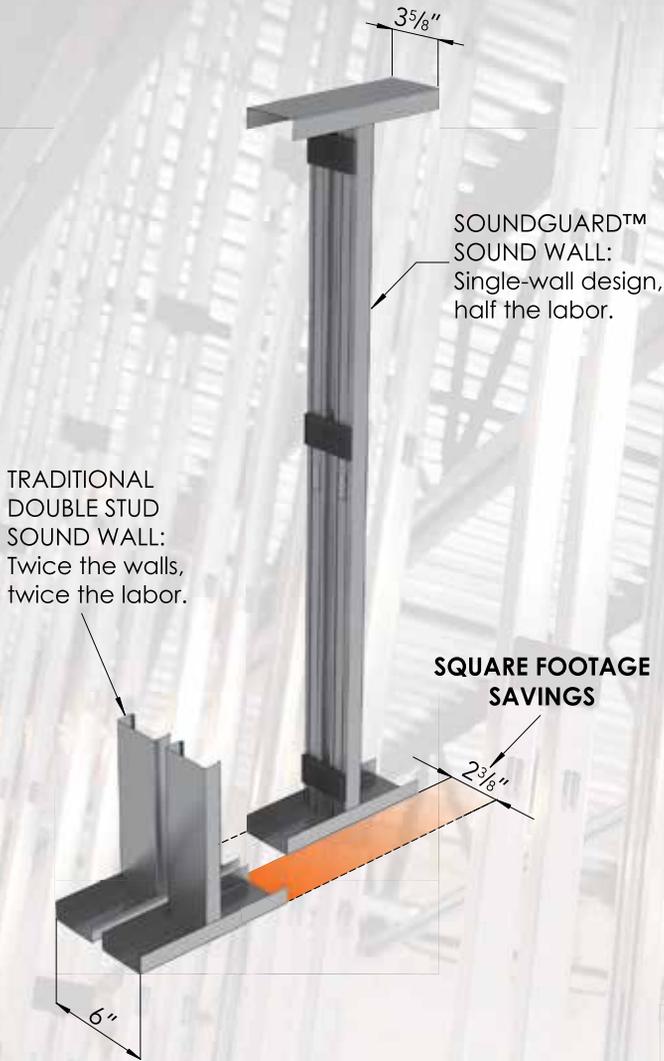
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