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SITE SUMMER FIESTA

Taco 'bout a networking event!

It's not often the temps stay in the 80s in St. Louis in June, but that's exactly what we got on Wednesday, June 14, for SITE's summer fiesta held on the patio of Rosalita's Cantina. Nearly 90 members gathered for some networking while sipping on margaritas and enjoying chips and salsa, quesadillas and other Mexican fare at the west county hotspot.

It was great to see so many members, old and new, mixing and mingling at the event! This networking event provided a little break from all the hard work during the busy summer season.

Don't miss great events like these. Make sure you receive all SITE emails by contacting leah@sitestl.org or call (314) 966-2950. You can also find a list of upcoming event on SITE's website.

SITE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

SITE continues to see historic growth in membership in 2023. With five new contractor members and nine new associate members so far this year, SITE membership now totals 237 (130 contractor members and 107 associate members). It's the largest membership since the Association's founding in 1966. SITE's Board of Directors sees more growth opportunities ahead. Please continue sharing information about SITE with other construction industry companies so YOUR Association continues this positive trend!

A strong membership means success for your Association.

Thank you for your continued support.

WELCOME NEW MEMBER



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SITE congratulates Lizmark Branded Solutions on celebrating 25 years in business. Congratulations on reaching this incredible milestone!



SITE is sorry to announce that Paul Viehmann, co-owner of St. Charles Sand Co. and uncle of Jeff Viehmann (Safety Training Resources), passed away at the age of 82. Our condolences go out to the Viehmann family.

MAY GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

SITE hosted another well attended general membership meeting at Syberg's-Dorsett on Wednesday, May 10. Those who attended learned about the Gateway South Project. John Mazzeo, Good Developments Group Partner, Construction & Design, informed the audience of the \$1.6 billion Gateway South project, first-ever geographic hub in this area, to help revitalize the Downtown St. Louis riverfront directly south of the Gateway Arch National Park.





EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S COLUMN

JEREMY BENNETT

It has been a long time coming for Missouri to boast a robust road and bridge program. The 2023–2027 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program totals \$10 billion, the largest in the state's history. When you step back and look at the broad infrastructure repair and development, mixed-use development, single-family home construction, warehouse/industrial development, commercial construction and utility improvements, there is a lot of work happening in our state now and for some years to come. While a recession is looming on the horizon, how much will that slow down the infrastructure needs of this state? Depending on which construction sector contractors are serving, it looks to be promising. Heavy/highway construction is on the rise, but expect to see multi-family complexes slow along with a reduction in new commercial projects.

A number of work anniversaries were celebrated here at the SITE office. Burnea Lester completed her first anniversary in April. Leah Behlmann completed 11 years with SITE in May. In early June, Aaron Griesheimer completed nine years, and Rhonda Wilson completed six years working for SITE. Congratulations to all staff members for your wonderful accomplishments and dedication to serving the members of SITE. It is very much appreciated.

There is some special news to share with SITE's members. The SITE Advancement Foundation Board of Trustees approved the purchase and remodeling of a 6,000 sq ft building located on the same parking lot as the current SITE office! This additional space will be remodeled specifi-

cally for training, leadership development, collaboration, and rentable space for our membership. As the membership continues to grow and the working groups with industry stakeholders grow, the need for the right space has been on our minds. The Board is reviewing layout options and will share the designs once approved. The current SITE office will remain as the administrative headquarters for the organization.

Contract negotiations were very interesting this year. In almost 15 years in this line of work, I've never seen a contract year set up quite like 2023: High inflation, high labor demand, looming recession, and billions in construction spending. SITE worked extremely hard to come to a reasonable resolution with Local 513. Kudos to the negotiating committee for securing a new 5 year Agreement.

The summer is in full swing, and as our members get busy, staff takes this time preparing for fall, winter and spring programming of training, events, legislative initiatives, and labor contract preparation. Plenty of planning happens during the months of June, July and August to make sure staff, SITE's Board, and committees are ready to serve our members year round. You will see a membership needs assessment sent out to your emails; we strongly encourage your participation in the survey. Your feedback allows SITE's Board to focus the Association's resources and efforts to better serve you.







Governor Parson is expected to sign the roughly \$51 billion spending package this week! The new fiscal year begins on Saturday, July 1. The Missouri General Assembly approved the state's budget, which includes hundreds of new line items in May.

A large portion of the budget is being allocated to improve Interstate 70. That's right! The Missouri General Assembly approved \$2.8 billion to enhance Interstate 70 and add a third lane across the state from Blue Springs to Wentzville. This was an even more ambitious proposal than what Governor Parson originally asked of lawmakers. Parson initially proposed spending \$859 million, but this measure would have only added a third lane to certain parts of the interstate highway, a proposal the House originally supported but the Senate increased to \$2.8 billion. Either way, it's a huge win for Missourians and the construction industry.

SITE Improvement Association, along with other industry stakeholders, worked together to push for the I-70 proposal. In fact, meetings began in September 2022 with members of the Missourians for Transportation Investment. We recognize that the state is flush with \$6 billion in surplus cash, the result of 28 months of double-digit revenue growth and federal ARPA funds tied to COVID-19. Therefore, the time to act is now, while funds are still available. Plus, this type of investment makes sense as it impacts future generations.

I-70 DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION

Now that funding has been secured for the project, many have inquired about the design and construction phases of the I-70 project. There are five major sections of the project from Wentzville to Blue Springs. Here is a financial breakdown of the different sections:



Photo Credit: Missouri Department of Transportation

Wentzville to Warrenton

-\$216 million

Warrenton to Route Z

-\$796 million

Columbia

-\$410 million

Midway to Odessa

-\$1.1 billion

Odessa to Blue Springs

-\$233 million

According to MoDOT, the existing environmental study documents for I-70 need to be re-evaluated since the studies were originally conducted and completed in 2005. Ultimately a lot has changed in the past 18 years regarding traffic flow and road conditions. This phase should begin at the end of the summer but will take about a year to complete.

During the project development phase, MoDOT plans to conduct meetings with the private sector (contractors and engineers) to gather input regarding industry capacity. It's still unclear how MoDOT will split the project into different sections. Either way, the design portion of the project will take another year.

The construction phase of the project will take 4-5 years to complete. However, this is dependent upon many different variables including workforce readiness and material availability. Overall, the I-70 improvement project from Blue Springs to Wentzville should take 6-7 years to complete.

OTHER PROJECTS

While legislators are spending a great deal on Interstate 70, there are also a lot of funds allocated for other capital improvement projects across the state. For example, Senate Committee Substitute for HB 19 contains a line-item with \$100 million for low-volume minor routes across Missouri. Legislators did not forget about Interstate 44 either. Lawmakers agreed to add \$20 million for an envi-

ronmental study on the I-44 corridor. This is to help expedite expansion down the road once improvements to I-70 have been completed.

Locally, the City of Berkeley requested and was granted almost \$5.6 million for two different bank stabilization projects. Both projects run along a creek near Empire Court and Nero Drive which is prone to erosion issues. On the other end of St. Louis County, the Missouri State Parks was granted \$6 million for the revitalization of the old Route 66 bridge in Eureka. The bridge spans over the Meramec River parallel to I-44 and will eventually serve as a walking and biking trail connector for the Route 66 State Park.



(Photo Credit) Great Rivers Greenway

Further south, Jefferson County was allotted **\$12 million** to construct an outer service road in Festus. Some believed this was in conjunction with the I-55 Corridor project. However, James Hardie Industries announced in late 2022 they plan to build a 1.25 million-square-foot facility near the Festus Municipal Airport. The service road will run to the east of I-55 and will connect Calvary Church Road to Castle Acres Road. Other pavement improvements along the route include a bridge over Plattin Creek.

There are a number of other capital improvement projects too. We've created a simple spreadsheet to highlight the amount of funds designated for different projects. Please note, Governor Parson could line-item veto any of these funding proposals. However, it's unlikely considering the billions remaining in surplus.

ST. LOUIS COUNTY

Saint Louis County is revising its "Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction" manual. They plan to establish a fixed price table to replace instances of contingent items throughout the spec book and job special provisions (JSP). Instances of contingent items throughout the spec book now reference back to a single table similar to the Mo-DOT spec book.

St. Louis County reached out to SITE for input regarding these changes. SITE forwarded its recommendations and other suggested changes to the spec book in early June.

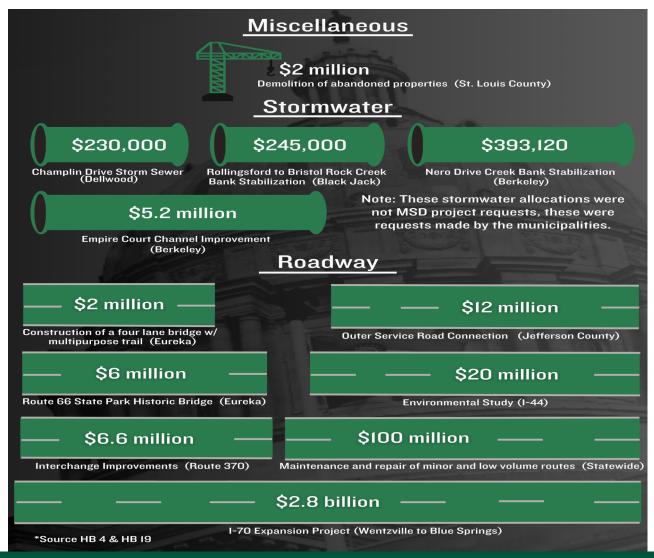
METROPOLITAN ST. LOUIS SEWER DISTRICT

SITE contractors working on MSD projects should be advised! MSD's revised M/WBE participation goals will go into effect in FY2024. The new goals only apply to MSD projects advertised after July 1, 2023.

For non-building construction, here is a general synopsis:

- 10% MBE subcontracting goals (a decrease of 7% from 2012)
- 10% WBE subcontracting goals
- 37% MBE workforce goals (an increase of 7% from 2012)
- 11% WBE workforce goals (an increase of 4% from 2012)
- 46% MWBE apprentice workforce goals (an increase of 6% from 2012)

Last year, SITE Improvement Association submitted a list of concerns to the district regarding raising the current workforce goals, especially during a period when contractors are struggling with workforce availability issues.



SITE APPRECIATES THE SUPPORT OF THESE COMPANIES







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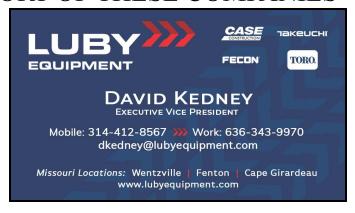
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42nd ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT AND DINNER



Thanks to many quick registrations, **REGISTRATIONS FOR GOLF** ARE SOLD OUT for SITE's upcoming golf tournament dinner. There is availability to join for the delicious dinner featuring the famous filets you've heard about! There are many great sponsorship opportunities available. Check out the list of ways you can showcase your company as a sponsor in front of over 288 individuals. Help YOUR association with a sponsorship today!

All sponsorships levels include your company logo on the event web page, company name listed on All Sponsors signs displayed the day of the tournament, along with the following:

- **1 Hole Sponsor \$250** Company recognized as a sponsor with a hole sign on either the East or West course
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- **Cocktail Hour Sponsor \$500** Company recognized with a sign as a sponsor during the 288+ attendee cocktail hour
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Sponsorships & Dinner Only Reservations are available at sitestl.org/event/golf

Thank you to our current sponsors!





























































































THE YOUNG EXECUTIVES OF SITE

Saint Louis Zoo WildCare Park

On June 26, members of the Young Executives of SITE went on a field trip to tour the new St. Louis Zoo WildCare Park in north St. Louis County. Attendees were given an extensive overview of the \$230 million project by staff members from the Saint Louis Zoo and the general contractor, Alberici Constructors.

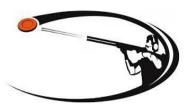
This is a 425-acre conservation area dedicated for breeding endangered animals. Visitor experiences will include safaris, hiking trails, and an event space. The WildCare Park will be a dedicated conservation space for giraffes, zebras, gazelles, white rhinos, kangaroos, and other species of animals.



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CLAY BIRD SHOOT



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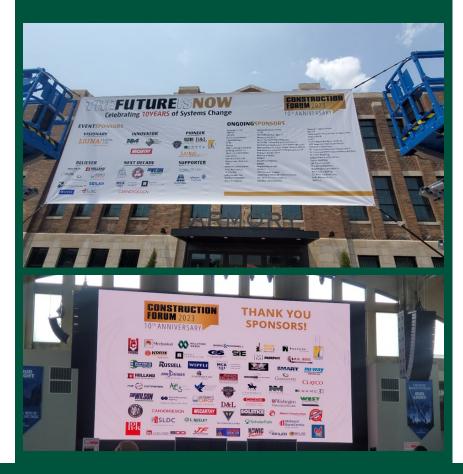
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SITE CELEBRATES 10 YEARS WITH THE CONSTRUCTION FORUM

For over 10 years, the Construction Forum has evolved into a resource and hub that connects the construction industry. After all, their mission is to facilitate the collaboration of all the stakeholders in the St. Louis region's built environment in creating inclusive, robust employment and economic growth.

SITE Improvement Association was a proud sponsor of their celebration, held May 10 at the Armory in the heart of downtown, on 3660 Market St. We were glad to share in a momentous moment, as one of our very own members, Millstone Weber, was one of five to receive the "Future is Now" award, celebrating all their community impact efforts to bring diversity, equity, and inclusion into the construction industry. Also among the award recipients was the MO/Kansas Laborers District Council, Delmar DevlNe, Dream Builders for Equity, and Negwer. We congratulate them all on such an outstanding achievement.

SITE would like the thank all the members that attended with us in support of creating a prosperous, equitable, and inclusive industry in the St. Louis Region.



SPRING 2023 BUD GRADUATION



Increasing a diverse workforce and skilled labor through recruitment and retention efforts remains a priority for SITE Improvement Association on behalf of our contractor members' ability to grow their business capacity. One of the many avenues that SITE engages is through The Building Union Diversity pre-apprenticeship program, which connects St. Louis metropolitan residents with the growing opportunities for living wage employment in construction. BUD also is helping to address the growing need in the construction industry for a skilled and more inclusive workforce.

In addition to SITE Improvement Association leading the diversity training for the pre-apprentice program, we had the wonderful opportunity of congratulating and welcoming such a bright group of emerging trade professionals into the construction industry on May 26, 2023.

To take it a step further, we connected with several students and introduced them to SITE Improvement Association contractors for the possibility of being hired. If any contractors need apprentices, please let us know. It is imperative that we connect and retain good people in our industry.



SITE – OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL 513 NEGOTIATIONS UPDATE

At the beginning of the year, SITE's Operating Engineers Local 513 Negotiating Committee had a feeling this year's contract negotiations were going to be one to remember. Around the country, unions from all different industry sectors for the past 18 months have been threatening strikes for better working conditions and pay. There is no question that increasing man-hours, high demand for labor, skyrocketing inflation, and abundant bidding opportunities created the perfect storm for very intense negotiations.

SITE's negotiating committee logged an average of 15-20 hours a week for almost three months of contractor meetings, zoom calls, negotiations with local 513, and fielding calls from contractors and owners. The hard work resulted in a five-year contract with a number of contractual changes, some benefiting the employer, the majority benefiting the union. The average total package increase across each of the five years is approximately 4 percent. With the recent increase to Missouri's Motor Fuel user fee, along with ARPA funds and state funds to invest in Missouri's infrastructure, above and below ground, the need for industry stability is crucial for contractors successfully bidding and performing the work. The committee did its absolute best to keep contractors competitive with labor costs and work rule flexibility in the contracts so they can retain market share in the area.

A very special thank you goes to the members of the negotiating committee for all their hard work, time and dedication to keep the industry moving forward. Thank you: Chris Gottman (Millstone Weber), Scott Drury (Bloomsdale Excavating), Matt Clark (PCX Construction), Mike Shepard (Collins

and Hermann), Tom Kelpe (Kelpe Contracting), Jeff Budrovich (Budrovich Excavating & Contracting) and Kurt Unnerstall (K.J. Unnerstall Construction Company).

BITUMINOUS PAVING CONTRACTORS NEGOTIATIONS UPDATE WITH LABORERS AND OPERATORS

The Bituminous Pavers performing work on state highways and large municipal roads also negotiated their contracts before the June 1 expiration. A one-year extension was negotiated with the Missouri Kansas Laborers District Council to line up the agreement with the SITE–Commercial/Heavy/ Highway contract. The one-year extension calls for a 4 percent increase.

The Bituminous Pavers negotiated a new five-year agreement with Local 513 Operating Engineers, using the same wage package as the SITE—Commercial/Heavy/Highway contract.

A special thank you goes out to Ryan Casey (Pace Construction) and Chris West (West Contracting) for their time and knowledge in negotiating these two Collective Bargaining Agreements.

UNION WAGE/FRINGE NOTIFICATIONS

All wage/fringe notices have been sent out for the 2023 calendar year. If any contractor is in need of these notices, please contact the SITE office.



FROM THE SAFETY SIDE

On May 1, the U.S. Department of Labor announced that its Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has begun a National Emphasis Program to prevent falls, the leading cause of workplace fatalities. The emphasis program will focus on reducing fall-related injuries and fatalities for people working at higher elevations. This comes after data was released from the department that showed of the 5,190 fatal workplace injuries in 2021, 680 were associated with falls from elevations. Plus the construction industry saw the highest number of fatal falls since 2014.

As you can imagine, OSHA is stepping up enforcement measures. The program establishes guidance for locating and inspecting fall hazards and allows OSHA compliance officers to open inspections whenever they observe someone working at heights.



Contractors working on residential projects should be especially cautious as OSHA is encouraging regional offices to develop targeted methods that effectively reach areas where fall protection is often lacking, and they specifically list residential construction. The program states that the area director is supposed to "select a distinct geographic area" for inspections based on knowledge obtained from communications with unions, community groups, building departments, and other entities.

Therefore, contractors should take necessary steps to eliminate work tasks that require working at heights in the first place. Obviously, elimination is not always possible, so the risk of falling has to be mitigated through the following safeguards.

GUARDRAIL SYSTEM

A barrier erected along an unprotected side of a walking-working surface to prevent falls to a lower level, guardrail system consists of a top rail 42 inches above the walkingworking surface, a midrail between the top rail and toe-board, and a toeboard a minimum of 3.5 inches from the walking-working surface.

FALL RESTRAINT SYSTEM

A system consisting of a full-body harness, lanyard, cable, or rope with a rope grab at a predetermined length that allows workers to move only as far as the sides of the work area and prevents the wearer from reaching a fall hazard, the system will let the employee walk around and be able to reach the edge but will not let the employee fall off the edge. No rescue plan is needed.

FALL POSITIONING SYSTEM

A system of equipment and connectors that, when used with a body harness, allows an employee to be supported on an elevated vertical surface, such as a wall or window sill, and work with both hands free, positioning system shall be rigged in such a way that an employee cannot free fall more than 2 feet. A rescue plan is required.

PERSONAL FALL ARREST SYSTEMS (PFAS)

Designed to catch an employee when a fall occurs, fall arrest does not prevent the fall but controls the distance of the fall. A PFAS consists of an anchor point, connector, and a full-body harness. A rescue plan is required.

The goal of this new campaign is to identify and to reduce hazards which are causing or likely to cause serious injuries and fatalities from falls from roofs, ladders, and scaffolds by encouraging contractors to:

- -PLAN ahead to get the job done safely.
- -PROVIDE the right equipment.
- -TRAIN everyone to use the equipment safely.

Lastly, if a compliance officer determines an inspection is not necessary after entering your jobsite and observing work activities, they will provide outreach information on fall protection and leave the site.



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2023 PLANNED EVENTS

Mon., Aug. 14 SITE GOLF TOURNAMENT & DINNER

Norwood Hills Country Club

Wed., Sept. 20 JOINT SITE/ASA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Location TBD

Thu., Oct. 5 CLAY BIRD SHOOT

Black Hawk Valley Hunt Club

Thu., Oct. 26 **JOINT SITE/APWA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

Orlando's - Maryland Heights

Wed., Nov. 1 MWBE NETWORKING EVENT

Schlafly Tap Room

Thu., Dec. 7 HOLIDAY HAPPY HOUR

Bogey Hills Country Club

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