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Montana Contractors' Association Newsletter

January 13, 2012



MDT Proposes to Hold Additional Bid Lettings Through May

In the past, MDT tried to let most of the projects the first part of the year which is the second quarter of the federal fiscal year. This works well for MDT for a number of reasons and generally works well for contractors. With that in mind MDT is going to tentatively move forward with twice monthly lettings in February, March, April and May. The rest of the year we would only see one letting a month except October which would have no letting. In addition, they would make a small adjustment and advertise in mid-December for a mid-January letting.

MCA members - please provide your comments on this to Cary at the MCA, cary@mtagc.org.



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Calendar

Jan 18

Highway Technical Committee
MCA Office, Helena
9:00 a.m.

Jan 25

ACI Strength Testing Technician
Butte
[Registration](#)

Jan 26

Bid-Letting
MDT, Helena
9:00 am

Jan 26-27

ACI Field Testing Technician
Butte
[Registration](#)

Feb 15-17

Concrete Technology Seminar
Bozeman

Concrete Seminar Offers Something for Everyone

The MCA's Concrete Division is once again hosting their Concrete Technology Seminar. General contractors, subcontractors, specialty contractors, architects, engineers and associates are encouraged to attend! It's not just for the ready-mix set.

The Seminar covers all aspect of concrete, including mix specifications and design, as well as hot and cold weather placement. Nationally recognized speaker Dr. Kim Basham will again be the guest speaker at dinner on Thursday.

CEU's are available for this Seminar - we hope to see you in Bozeman! [Click here](#) for the registration form.



Paws-Up Ranch, DAC Settle Lien

The MCA is happy to report that the Paws-Up Ranch and Dick Anderson Construction settled an outstanding lien, cancelling a courthouse sale of the ranch. The MCA had filed an amicus brief supporting Dick Anderson Construction during the trial. [Click here](#) for the full story.



Medical Certifications Change for Commercial Drivers

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration adopted new regulations requiring state drivers licensing agencies to add medical certification status to a drivers CDL records. For more on the updated standards, [click here](#).



[Registration](#)

Quote of the Week

"I long to accomplish a great and noble task; but it is my chief duty to accomplish small tasks as if they were great and noble."

- Helen Keller

Header of the Week

Sletten Construction's MRL Project in Bozeman was the 2011 Concrete Excellence Award Winner in the Bridges Category.

MCA Partners to Hold Energy Conference

Booth space is selling fast for the exciting Montana Energy 2012 conference and trade show April 3-4 in Billings. If you want your company front and center with the energy firms expanding operations into Montana, **you can't afford to miss this opportunity.** Visit www.montanaenergy.net.



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MetraPark Expo Center
308 6th Avenue North
Billings, MT



Visit www.montanaenergy.net to register.

Montana 811 Contractors' Events

The Montana Utilities Coordinating Council is hosting 21 different Safe Digging Events throughout Montana. The programs are designed to allow excavators and utilities personnel bring up questions and comments, and learn about changes in the laws here in Montana.

Follow the [link](#) to see the dates and places where the event will be, and register for the one closest to you.



Time to Find the Summer Hires

The MSU-Great Falls College of Technology is hosting a Trades Rodeo and Career Fair in February. This is a great opportunity to introduce students to your company and scout out future employees. You can download this [form](#) and send it in to register, or contact Erica Rominger at MSU-GF, 406-771-5132 for more information.



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