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## Presidential Overburden

Joe Mayfield  
IMA President

I consider it a privilege to be IMAA's 2005 president. I have 25 years of fond memories with IMAA: conventions, golf outings, board meetings, social hours, the first Aglime radio ads. We have shared in countless conversations about INDOT, DNR, IDEM, taxes, road funding, and of course aggregates. Many of us have watched each other's kids grow up, and have with a sense of sadness, wondered where did all our hair go?

I believe our industry turned the biggest corner in its history when it decided to quit hiding from the public. I think it has greatly benefited our industry to engage the public in conversation, provide educational opportunities for teachers and their students, and show the workings of a quarry or a sand and gravel operation with open houses and tours. I know these activities do not come without costs and risks, but wow, what a step toward our continued viability as an industry. I think many people are realizing we are not the horrible monsters from the black lagoon as they once thought, but fellow citizens trying to provide valuable resources essential to the continued growth and prosperity of Indiana. This is not to say we won't have challenges now and in the future, just read the papers, or look at the state's budget, however, IMAA now has the structure, the people, the resources and the will to stand up for ourselves and face those difficulties head on. I say, we keep our head up, and follow, without flinching, these words of Winston Churchill, "Never, never, never, never give up!"

Sincerely and with best regards,  
Joe Mayfield, 2005 IMAA President

## LEGISLATIVE REPORT

By John Schuler, Committee Co-Chairman

This legislative season has been one of the most difficult to try and read, not only the legislature, but INDOT and the Governor's office. While all three agree that an increase in funding is necessary, the way to achieve this increase is the problem.

In the last month, Governor Mitch Daniels, INDOT Commissioner, Tom Sharp and the Senate Budget Committee have admitted that INDOT is under-funded.

Let's begin with Commissioner Sharp, who in an appearance before the budget committee said it would take an increase of \$.03 per gallon to get him through the biennium. Chairman Meeks said he wanted a long term fix, not a short one that would bring the commissioner back in a year or so asking for more money. The Commissioner said he could not talk about the biennium until he completed a study of the department and that would not be completed until June. The meeting did not end on a good note.

Next, the Governor spoke before the Association of Cities and Towns meetings and said that the department was in need of funding but that at this time he was unsure how to bring more funding in and he was expecting the department to look at innovative ways to save money and to get the most from a ton of asphalt. Asked about a gas tax increase the Governor said that at the price of gas today it would be difficult.

Tom Sharp, the Commissioner of Highways then spoke to the US 31 group along with several legislators and talked about reorganizing the department to look at innovation. One legislator asked whether a gas tax was needed and he said he could not say until his task force had completed their work in June. The legislator said that the legislative system will be over in April and the Commissioner responded that his study will not be completed until June. Again, not a good ending to this meeting.

The Commissioner next appeared before the Senate Budget committee and asked for the Garvee Bond legislation. The Committee asked about and spent several minutes talking about a gas tax increase and the Commissioner would not agree or comment.

The Senate Committee came away from the meeting talking about a long term fix and felt that it was positive and perhaps we could get the Garvee legislation and a gas tax increase.

This exuberance ended on Friday, March 25th, when the Governor said he was against a gas tax increase until such time that INDOT has exhausted all means of saving money and looking at innovative ways that would save money and operate the department more efficiently.

So the saga continues, with only a few days left this session. This could very easily end on a sour note for our industry. **It is now more important than ever that you call your legislator and let him know that without an increase in INDOT revenue, your company will not be able to maintain your normal level of activity and employment.**

What is our next step? On Wednesday March 30th, there was a news conference in Indianapolis to present a study from TRIP about roads and economic development. This is part of a series of releases in the next few weeks to demonstrate the importance of infrastructure and the return of Indiana as an important part of the global economy.

Last year we started the PUBLIC WORKS COUNCIL and without your participation these important studies and news releases would not be possible. You are making a difference and we are on the radar screen of the Governor, the Commissioner, and the Legislature. We must increase our awareness with the citizens of Indiana, too. [Give to the PWC.](#)

Lastly, the federal reauthorization for a Transportation Bill is now headed to committee and this is an important time in the process. The extension runs until May 31 and without swift action, we could be looking at another extension. It is important for you to contact your Washington Congressional office asking them to pass the bill before May 31 with a guaranteed return for Indiana of 90½¢.

Sign up today for the IMAA Washington DC Fly-In—June 8-10, 2005

2005 IMAA Washington DC  
Fly-In  
"Grass Roots Trip"  
June 8-10, 2005



For Registration  
Information,  
contact the Association  
Office.

Hey Everyone,

It's Aglime season again.  
Get out there and talk to  
your dealers! If you need  
additional copies of the

Aglime Test Report, contact the IMAA office. The  
Aglime Council is having a meeting on Thursday,  
April 14, 2005, 10:00 am at the IMAA offices. Re-  
member the offices have moved! If you haven't  
been to the new office yet, contact Lori or Jane for a  
map. We need all that can to show up! This is an  
important meeting for discussing new ideas, pro-  
gram details for the fall, and Aglime testing for 2005.  
See you all there!

Joe Mayfield, Aglime Council Chairman

The  
**Aglime**  
Council

## Teachers' Workshop



Rocks and Minerals  
in  
Modern Society  
June 21-23, 2005

CONNER PRAIRIE LIVING  
HISTORY MUSEUM  
Fishers, Indiana

CONTACT THE ASSOCIATION OFFICE FOR  
MORE DETAILS

## Welcome New Members

Selective Removals, LLC  
Patrick Engineering, Inc.

## IMAA & APAI

Summer Meeting

July 29 - 31, 2005

Cincinnati Marriott Northeast

Mason, OH

*Schedule These Dates on Your Calendar and  
Watch For More Information*



# The Top 25 U.S. Aggregates Producers

USGS releases latest rankings for domestic aggregate production

Top 25 sand and gravel producers		Top 25 crushed stone producers	
RANK	COMPANY/LOCATION	RANK	COMPANY/LOCATION
1	Oldcastle, Inc./Materials Group, Washington, DC	1	Vulcan Materials Co., Birmingham, AL
2	Hanson Building Materials America/Hanson Aggregates, Neptune, NJ	2	Martin Marietta Aggregates, Raleigh, NC
3	Vulcan Materials Co., Birmingham, AL	3	Hanson Building Materials America/Hanson Aggregates, Neptune, NJ
4	Rinker Materials Corp., West Palm Beach, FL	4	Oldcastle, Inc./Materials Group, Washington, DC
5	Martin Marietta Aggregates, Raleigh, NC	5	Lafarge North America, Inc., Herndon, VA
6	Cemex, Inc., Houston, TX	6	Rinker Materials Corp., West Palm Beach, FL
7	MDU Resources Group/KRC Holdings, Bismarck, ND	7	Cemex, Inc., Houston, TX
8	Aggregate Industries, Inc., Bethesda, MD	8	Rogers Group, Nashville, TN
9	RMC Industries Corp., Pleasanton, CA	9	Florida Rock Industries, Inc., Jacksonville, FL
10	Lafarge North America, Inc., Herndon, VA	10	Ashland Oil, Inc./APAC, Inc., Atlanta, GA
11	TXI Operations, L.P., Dallas, TX	11	Luck Stone Corp., Richmond, VA
12	A. Teichert & Son, Inc., Sacramento, CA	12	General Dynamics Corp. (dba as Material Service Corp.), Chicago, IL
13	Florida Rock Industries, Inc., Jacksonville, FL	13	The National Lime & Stone Co., Findlay, OH
14	Edward C. Levy Co., Detroit, MI	14	Aggregate Industries, Inc., Bethesda, MD
15	Robertson Ready Mix, Inc., Riverside, CA	15	New Enterprise Lime & Stone Co., New Enterprise, PA
16	Glacier Northwest, Inc., Seattle, WA	16	The Dolese Brothers Co., Oklahoma City OK
17	Trinity Industries, Inc., Dallas, TX	17	Texas Crushed Stone Co., Inc., Georgetown, TX
18	Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, Scottsdale, AZ	18	Vecellio & Grogan, West Palm Beach, FL
19	The Fordyce Co., Victoria, TX	19	TXI Operations, L.P., Dallas, TX
20	Ashland Oil, Inc./APAC, Inc., Atlanta, GA	20	Oglebay Norton Co./Michigan Limestone Operations, Cleveland, OH
21	Meyer Material Co., McHenry, IL	21	Mulzer Crushed Stone Co., Inc., Tell City, IN
22	Nevada Ready Mix, Las Vegas, NV	22	Tower Rock Stone Co., Scott City, MO
23	Irving Materials, Inc., (dba as IMI), Greenfield, IN	23	Titan Atlantic LLC/Tarmac America, Inc., Norfolk, VA
24	Heritage Group, Indianapolis, IN	24	RMC Industries Group, Pleasanton, CA
25	Memphis Stone & Gravel Co., Memphis, TN	25	Ash Grove Cement Co., Overland Park, KS

## IMAA Calendar

April 5	Public Works Council	10:00 am	Association Office
April 10-13	ICAR Annual Meeting		Austin, TX
April 14	Aglime Council	10:00 am	Association Office
April 19	Plant Operators Committee	10:00 am	Association Office
April 21	Technical Committee	10:00 am	Association Office
April 26	Environmental Committee	10:00 am	Association Office
April 26	Safety Committee	1:00 pm	Association Office
May 4	IMAA Board of Directors	10:00 am	Association Office
May 10	PIE Committee	10:00 am	Association Office
June 8-10	IMAA Legislative Fly-In		Washington, D.C.
June 12-13	4-State Golf Challenge		Granville, OH
June 21-23	IMAA Teachers Workshop		Conner Prairie, Fishers, IN
July 28	TAC Committee	1:00 pm	Kings Island, OH
July 28	ESC Board of Directors	2:30 pm	Kings Island, OH
July 29	IMAA Board of Directors		Kings Island, OH
July 29-31	IMAA Summer Meeting with APAI		Kings Island, OH
August 18	Aglime Council	10:00 am	Association Office
September 14	IMAA PIE Golf Fundraiser		Eagle Creek Golf Course