

## What is the ACPA?

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### WHAT ARE ACPA'S CORE POSITIONS ON MATTERS BEFORE THE CONGRESS?

#### LET THE ENGINEERS DECIDE

The ACPA opposes any legislation that would diminish the role of engineers in the procurement of construction materials for taxpayer-funded infrastructure projects.

#### RESILIENT INFRASTRUCTURE

The ACPA supports legislation encouraging all levels of government to design and construct infrastructure projects in such a way that vital infrastructure can withstand the impacts flooding, hurricanes, wildfires, and other natural disasters.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE

The ACPA is closely watching as the Biden Administration begins to administer the provision in the Inflation Reduction Act that requires the Environmental Protection Agency to label construction materials according to the greenhouse gas emissions generated during the lifecycle of the material. The ACPA supports a clear, easily understandable process that provides sufficient time for adaptation and an alignment with state and local "Buy Clean" requirements.

#### MAINTAIN ROBUST FUNDING FOR INFRASTRUCTURE

The ACPA supported the enactment of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act because the legislation reversed decades of underinvestment in infrastructure and prioritized resiliency in transportation planning, design, and construction. The ACPA opposes efforts to claw back funding for infrastructure or de-prioritize resiliency.

### ABOUT CONCRETE PIPE

Concrete pipe is in high demand because it offers superior resiliency and durability in the face of extreme weather events.

In transportation infrastructure projects, concrete pipes and culverts lie beneath roadways and channel water from one side of the roadway to the other, keeping the roadway surface free of flowing water and protecting the roadbed and paving from damage. This protects the public from flooding.

It is important to note that drainage products lie underground. Consequently, they are among the first elements of an infrastructure project to be installed. Above-ground construction cannot proceed until the below-ground elements are installed.



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