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TACA's STAR Community Program Certifies Two Member Plants

AUSTIN, Texas [Oct. 9, 2020] – The Texas Aggregates & Concrete Association (TACA) has certified two more of its members' plants through its STAR Community Program, which evaluates member facilities based on the key elements of community engagement, environmental stewardship and sustainability. The BURSCO Texas, LLC, Celina Ready Mix Plant was certified at the GOLD level and the Vulcan Material Company, Medina Quarry was certified at the SILVER level.

"TACA members work diligently to be good neighbors in their communities, and to uphold the highest standards of integrity, community engagement and trust," said TACA President and CEO Josh Leftwich, who presented the certification to Vulcan's Medina Quarry on Sept. 16 in San Antonio and to BURSCO's Celina Plant on Oct. 9 in Irving. "We are extremely proud of our members."

Applicants are evaluated through a detailed review and scoring process that allocates points for five specific elements, including:

- Hosting community events
- Reaching out to the community
- Aesthetics
- Community involvement
- Environmental considerations

"BURSCO is sincerely honored to receive TACA's Gold Star Certification," said Paul Rouse, general manager, BURSCO Texas, LLC. "We strive to be good stewards in the communities where we operate by providing employment and career growth opportunities and having operations that are safe and healthy for those who live and work there. We pride ourselves on creating facilities, such as the Celina plant, that are tastefully built and landscaped to protect the natural landscape and community style."

The STAR Community Program was developed in 2017 through TACA's [Emerging Leaders Academy](#) class to objectively quantify the achievements that member company facilities have made in community engagement and highlight how they make this a key element of their business.

"Vulcan Materials Company is committed to being a good neighbor, which means engaging and participating in the communities where we operate and protecting the local environment," said



Tyler Lowe, manager of community and government relations for Vulcan. "Our Medina Quarry team has done a fantastic job of supporting the people, schools and organizations of Medina County, and we look forward to being a foundational member of that community for many years to come."

More information can be found at [TACA STAR Community program](#).

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About TACA

The Texas Aggregates & Concrete Association (TACA) is the main resource for the aggregate, concrete, cement and other associated industries in Texas. The association represents its member companies by providing industry information to the public, media, policymakers and regulators; advocating for industry issues; ensuring member companies commit to conducting business with integrity, respect, transparency and honest communication; and creating industry training courses and materials that help members effectively manage their businesses. For more information, please visit TACA's [website](#).