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TACA CEO Named to Texas House Interim Study Committee on Aggregate Production Operations

AUSTIN, Texas [Jan. 7, 2020] – David Perkins, president and CEO of the Texas Aggregates & Concrete Association (TACA), has been named as one nine members appointed by Texas House Speaker Dennis Bonnen [R-Angleton] to the House Interim Study Committee on Aggregate Production Operations.

The committee includes seven Republican and Democratic state representatives and two members of the public, both representing the rock mining industry. Along with Capitol Aggregates President Greg Hale, Perkins will represent the aggregate, concrete, cement and other associated industries in Texas.

The committee will study the impact of aggregate production operations (APOs), including, but not limited to, rock-crushing facilities, concrete batch plants, and hot-mix asphalt plants, across the state. In addition, the committee will monitor implementation of HB 907, relating to the regulation of APOs by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ).

“I am honored to have been appointed to the Texas House Interim Study Committee on Aggregate Production Operations,” said David Perkins. “With this opportunity, TACA will work collaboratively with our legislative and community partners to continue policies that safeguard and protect the interests of the communities in which we operate, while making the necessary accommodations to support the unprecedented growth of the Texas economy.”

In just 10 years, Texas will require an enormous volume of building materials to satisfy the state's present growth trajectory, which is driven by the addition of approximately 1,400 people every day. To build and maintain critical infrastructure, including its roads, bridges, hospitals, school and homes, Texas will need 15-50 million more tons of aggregate; 3-10 million more yards of ready-mix concrete and 1-3 million additional tons of cement. By 2050, Texas will need annually 124-179 million additional tons of aggregate, 25-36 million additional yards of ready-mix concrete and 7.5-11 million additional tons of cement.

Committee work will be conducted in Austin over the course of 2020. The committee is charged with providing recommendations to the 87th Texas Legislature for consideration in 2021.
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.