CALIFORNIA’S CONSTRUCTION AND MATERIALS INDUSTRY ESSENTIAL TO PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND THE ECONOMY

In a few short months, the COVID-19 pandemic changed everything about how we live and work in California. In the process, the essential role and benefit of California’s construction and materials industry has been highlighted, demonstrating the ability of the industry to work safely, efficiently and responsibly, keeping workers and the public safe in a crisis while helping to accelerate the recovery of local communities.

Essential to helping to ensure access to critical infrastructure and basic services.

- Constructing, repairing, and maintaining roads, bridges and facilities that are critical in a crisis, such as hospitals, communications systems and utility operations.
- Ensuring that homes, schools and businesses do not fall into disrepair so life can resume with some sense of normalcy as restrictions are lifted.
- Helping address California’s critical need for safe transportation infrastructure and new housing.
- Supporting $26 billion in ongoing public and private construction projects during the first months of the pandemic, helping to position local communities for recovery.

Essential to the construction supply chain that is critical to the daily lives of all Californians.

- Hospitals
- Schools
- Road and bridge networks
- Water and sewer systems
- Energy and communication systems
- Public safety and health care facilities

Essential to state and local economic stability and recovery.

- One of the few sectors that actually touches nearly every revenue stream in the economy.
- California’s fifth largest industry, accounting for 5% of California’s total economy.
- Generating $494 million annually in total outputs, providing local governments the needed revenue to repair roads, develop schools and improve public services.
- Supporting 1.16 million direct jobs annually.