In the Ventura-Oxnard-Thousand Oaks the aggregates and construction industry are leading drivers of the regional economy, creating well-paying jobs for residents, generating revenue for local jurisdictions and providing essential benefits to all.

The aggregates sector supplies sand, gravel, and crushed stone for local construction. Millions of tons of aggregates are required to build and maintain our infrastructure, including roads, homes, buildings, schools, and public works.

The direct and indirect impacts of this sector, while not often publicly reported, are enormous.

**Real economic impacts.**
The aggregates and construction industry generates $4.03 billion in total economic output in the Ventura-Oxnard-Thousand Oaks Region. That’s 5.6% of the region’s total economic output and the seventh highest output among all regions in California. Ventura-Oxnard-Thousand Oaks Region’s per capita impact is $4,722.

Aggregates alone provide $128 million in economic impact which is $150 per capita.

**Real impact on jobs and wages.**
Aggregate and construction workers in the Ventura-Oxnard-Thousand Oaks Region earn $1.43 billion annually. Average income is $61,043 which is well above average wages for the region.

Every job created in the aggregates and construction industries results in another 1.40 jobs in other industries.

**Real impact on government revenue.**
Industry employers pay nearly half a billion dollars ($494M) to federal, state, and local taxes, providing local government essential revenue to repair roads, develop schools and improve public services.

The value of the aforementioned benefits for local residents, businesses and government agencies is unmeasurable but certainly essential to the local economy.

**Real need for local aggregates.**
Ensuring an adequate local supply of high-quality building materials for the Ventura-Oxnard-Thousand Oaks Region’s future is critical to maintaining the massive economic impacts and quality of life we enjoy. And essential to facilitate future employment growth and the billions of dollars coming for major transportation infrastructure improvements approved by voters.

Real local benefits.
A ready supply of affordable, local construction materials increases the likelihood of building and reduces the cost of new development of affordable housing in the Ventura-Oxnard-Thousand Oaks Region. It also helps reduce consumer costs, road wear and tear, and traffic congestion as well as lowering emissions and greenhouse gases.