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# Oregon Independent Aggregate Association Newsletter

#### August 2018

#### Chairman's Message

The delay of the 2015 Waters of the United States (WOTUS) rule was lifted on August 16<sup>th</sup>. As reported by NSSGA, the U.S. District Court in South Carolina issued a summary judgment against the EPA's two-year delay of the rule, reinstating the rule in 26 states that were not involved in earlier judicial stays. Oregon would be affected by the rule.

If allowed to be reinstated, the 2015 WOTUS would significantly expand the EPA's jurisdiction to include waters within 4,000 feet of "navigable waters", including dry stream beds and isolated wetlands. NSSGA's article and the list of states that would not be affected are listed at the following link: <u>https://www.nssga.org/delay-of-the-2015-wotus-rule-lifted/</u>.

Challenges to this action are already in the works, including from other groups besides mining organizations. As reported by Capital Press, the American Farm Bureau Federation (AFBF) notified the U.S. District Court in South Carolina the next day that they will appeal the court's ruling. They also notified a U.S. District Court in Texas — where AFBF filed its original legal challenge to WOTUS — of the South Carolina ruling, urging the court to issue a nationwide injunction against the 2015 WOTUS rule. The full article can be accessed here: <a href="http://www.capitalpress.com/Water/20180820/farm-bureau-continues-fight-to-stop-wotus-implementation">http://www.capitalpress.com/Water/20180820/farm-bureau-continues-fight-to-stop-wotus-implementation</a>

In news closer to home, we wanted to share that long-time member Bert Brundige of B&B Roads will be stepping down from his position on the Board. Bert is one of the founding members of OIAA and has served as a thoughtful and passionate advocate for the industry. We appreciate all he has done for the Board and our members. Like in last month's newsletter, I encourage our members to participate in the organization and consider joining the Board. There are only a few meetings throughout the year, and your presence and insights are most welcome.

Thank you,

Erick Staley Chairman

#### 2019 Part 46 Training has been Scheduled – Mark your Calendars



2019 Part 46 Training dates have been established. Registration in 2019 will be on a first come first served basis on both classes so remember to register early to get the location you want.

Registration forms will be available beginning in January 2019. No pre-registrations will be taken prior to January 2019.

Watch future newsletters for training updates.

#### OIAA 2019 Part 46 Refresher Training

Presented by: Adele Abrams, Michael Peelish & Josh Schultz Roseburg Class – Douglas County Fairgrounds - March 11, 2019 Albany Class – Linn County Fair & Expo – March 12, 2019

#### Need to get your Silica Program in place Adele's office can help with that

The Law Office of Adele L Abrams PC focuses on occupational and mine safety and health services. Their attorneys, who are also safety professionals, represent employers nationwide in OSHA and MSHA litigation. But, since the cheapest citation is the one never issued, the firm also provides a variety of training, auditing, IH and safety program support services. Training options include MSHA Part 46 and 48, OSHA silica training for competent persons, management of inspections and incident investigations, and more. Contact them for prices at <u>www.safety-law.com</u>.

# \$afepro, inc.

#### \$afepro 2018 November Law Institute:

Understand the laws and regulations that govern the mining industry are vital to managing your compliance and safety programs. \$afepro covers the 1977 Act in detail along with 30 CFR and program policies which give guidance to how the laws and regulations are to be enforced. The upcoming institute in Savannah November 12- 15 will give you the knowledge coupled with your mining experience that allows you to be prepared for the imminent MSHA inspection. The Institute information will help you avoid bad citations and the knowledge to comply with the law. You will add value to yourself and your company by attending! Nothing works if your house isn't hazard-free.

Spouses are welcome if your company allows you to bring them. Shopping in Savannah is considered excellent. Malls and quaint shoppes are within easy walking distance from the hotel. Walking and riding tours of the city can be arranged during the week you are here. If you have any questions or wish to register, just contact us at <u>safeproinc.com</u>. We want you to have a good time as well as a great learning experience. I look forward to seeing you Savannah Ga.

**Yours in \$afe Production** 

Dean Beam



#### Scholarship Deadline is September 15, 2018



#### THE OREGON INDEPENDENT AGGREGATE ASSOCIATION BOB MULLINS SCHOLARSHIP

# Our 2018 OIAA Scholarship is named in the honor of Bob Mullins, owner of Martin Creek Quarry.

Bob Mullins was born in 1950 and raised in Cottage Grove Oregon. He worked at the Weyerhaeuser Mill starting in 1968, when he was a senior in high school. He worked swing shift so he could continue attending High School. He graduated in June 1969, married the love of his life Barbara in August of 1969. He bought his first dump truck "1962 B model Mack" in 1974. He used his tax return money of \$1000.00 for a down payment.

Bob was never a man who sat still and waited for someone else to tell him what to do. His mottos are, "Work hard every day, learn from your mistakes, less talking more listening and you'll learn more. Never use the word "I" use "WE" (we built that road, NOT I built that road) Family always comes first"

During the 80's when our logging industry was in a financial crunch. Bob went to Alaska. He took his 1979 Western Star and worked repairing the Alaska State Highways. He worked in Alaska for 5 years. In 1988 he started building logging roads for Weyerhaeuser. Bob and his crew have built many miles of road, for numerous Timber Companies in Oregon. Most of his employees were class mates that attended school with him. Over the years he has been blessed with a great crew. He purchased his first Rock Quarry in 1989. A rock crusher in 1996. The rock crusher purchase included Kirby Nelson. Kirby is the finest crusher foreman, employee and friend Bob has known. Bob purchased his second Rock Quarry in 2000.

Bob semi-retired in 2015. Which means he now takes the weekends off. He and his bride celebrated their 48th wedding anniversary in 2017. They have two daughters and three grandchildren.

Scholarship applications are available on our website at <u>www.oraggregate.com</u> or by contacting our secretary at <u>memberreply@oraggregate.com</u>,

# 2018 Board Meeting Schedule

# *Note: The December* 12<sup>th</sup> *meeting has been cancelled*

## January meeting date to be determined

For location of meetings please contact our secretary at memberreply@oraggregate.com

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## Attention!!

We are looking for a few board members to replace those that we will be losing in 2019. If you are interested or would like more information on becoming a voice of your association please contact Chairman Erick Staley.