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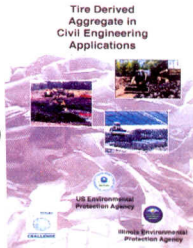
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USEPA Releases TDA Educational Video

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) in conjunction with the Resource Conservation Challenge (RCC) Scrap Tire Workgroup has developed a new educational video. "Tire Derived Aggregate in Civil Engineering Applications" is designed to educate the public and stakeholders in both the public and private civil engineering sectors about the uses of tire derived aggregate (TDA) in civil engineering applications.



It addresses a wide variety of issues related to the use of TDA in civil engineering applications including the five basic categories of civil engineering applications where TDA has been used, human health and toxicology issues and state regulatory issues.

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Ontario Tire Stewardship Celebrates Its First Year

The Ontario Tire Stewardship (OTS) celebrated its 1-year anniversary in September. As part of the celebration, OTS held a "Welcome to Ontario" event at the Toronto Board of Trade on September 28, prior to the opening of the Rubber Association of Canada's (RAC) 2010 Rubber Recycling Symposium.

Led by OTS Executive Director, Andrew Horsman, the event brought together participants from the government, business and financial sectors to be briefed on OTS first year achievements, challenges and going forward goals. The interactive session also allowed participants to present their observations and provide input to OTS and the Ontario Used Tire Program.

"The past 12 months have seen us shift the landscape of scrap tire management in this province," Horsman said. "Launching a stewardship program is no easy task. There were and are challenges to be sure, but we continue to learn more about the movement of used tires in Ontario with every passing day."

Horsman cited registering thousands of collectors, haulers and processors as one of the biggest challenges OTS faced. "It certainly tested our team," Horsman told the assembled group.

Recycled product manufacturer (RPM) registration came later as OTS responded to stakeholder concerns. Claims filing required training, policy-reviews, decisions and

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New Jersey Uses Partnership To Finish Tire Dump Cleanups

The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) is spearheading the removal of hundreds of thousands of tires from the largest tire dumps remaining in the state, all of them in South Jersey, Commissioner Bob Martin said in a press announcement last month.

"At one time, tire dumps, some comprised of what seemed to be endless hills of rolling rubber, scarred many parts of New Jersey's landscape, especially in South Jersey," Commissioner Martin said. "Throughout the years, millions of tires have been removed and tire dumps cleaned up. Now, working cooperatively with our partners in Atlantic, Cumberland, Gloucester and Salem counties, we are removing the last remnants of these unsightly dumps once and for all."

According to Martin, South Jersey had a larger share of illegal tire dumps due to the region's remoteness and availability of large tracts of undeveloped land. The dumps typically popped up decades ago around auto salvage facilities and scrap yards.

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