Introduction to Aggregate Testing

Program Content:

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Fundamentals of Aggregate Testing
Classroom and Laboratory hands-on training; Best practices and tips; How to interpret the results and identify common errors

Use, Maintenance, and Calibration of Equipment
How to properly use equipment; How to maintain and routinely calibrate equipment

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- AASHTO T11/ASTM C117 – Materials Finer than 75-um
- AASHTO T27/ASTM C136 – Sieve Analysis
- AASHTO T85/ASTM C127 – Absorption (Coarse aggregate)
- AASHTO T84-ASTM C128 – Absorption (Fine Aggregate)
- AASHTO T255/ASTM C566 – Moisture Content
- AASHTO T 21/ASTM C40 – Organic Impurities

These additional standards and specifications will be discussed:
- ASTM C33 – Standard Specification for Concrete Aggregates
- ASTM C88 – Soundness of Aggregates
- ASTM C131 – LA Abrasion

Who should attend: Staff from Testing Laboratories, Aggregate Quarries/Mining/Dredging facilities, Ready Mix Concrete Batch facilities, Pre-Cast Concrete plants, who routinely conduct aggregate testing including laboratory staff, project managers, Department of Transportation inspectors, or anyone interested in how to properly test aggregates for use in concrete.

Cost
This training program is offered for $199 and includes the Program binder for best practices and Study guide for Aggregate Testing Technician Level 1.

Instructors:
Michael Morrison, Manager, Certification Program Development, has over 35 years of experience in the cement and concrete industry.

Rusty Owings, Resource Center Manager, has over 20 years of experience in the design and construction industry.

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