



# week in CONSTRUCTION

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## NEWS



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Earlier today, U.S. Labor Secretary Marty Walsh announced that the long-anticipated federal COVID-19 ETS will NOT apply to construction. This represents a significant change from early reports that the new standard would apply to a broad range of industries, including construction. AGC of America led a broad coalition effort to question the need for the standard, considering the widespread adoption of coronavirus vaccines and the fact the construction industry has been operating, safely, since the start of the pandemic.

The fact the final standard only applies to healthcare settings is a significant victory for our association and this industry. It reflects the strong working relationship and trust that exists between our staff and federal safety officials – particularly thanks to our safety team of Kevin Cannon and Nazia Shah. This victory is also thanks to the tireless work member firms are doing to protect their workers throughout the pandemic.

Today's announcement comes just a few weeks after AGC successfully convinced OSHA to suspend enforcement of the agency's recordkeeping regulations related to adverse reactions to COVID-19 vaccines, whether required or recommended. Rest assured that we will continue to monitor the development of future OSHA COVID-19 guidance specific to the construction industry and provide updates accordingly.

For more information, please contact Kevin Cannon at (703)837-5410 or [kevin.cannon@agc.org](mailto:kevin.cannon@agc.org) or Nazia Shah at (703)837-5409 or [nazia.shah@agc.org](mailto:nazia.shah@agc.org).

Sincerely,

Stephen E. Sandherr

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## Familiar Faces on Rejuvenated

# Wheeling Municipal Building Commission



WHEELING - As the city of Wheeling looks ahead to financing major construction projects on new buildings, city leaders are reactivating a Municipal Building Commission to assist in these projects. In fact, the new Municipal Building Commission in ...

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## Lawmakers consider devoting an additional \$150 million to highways



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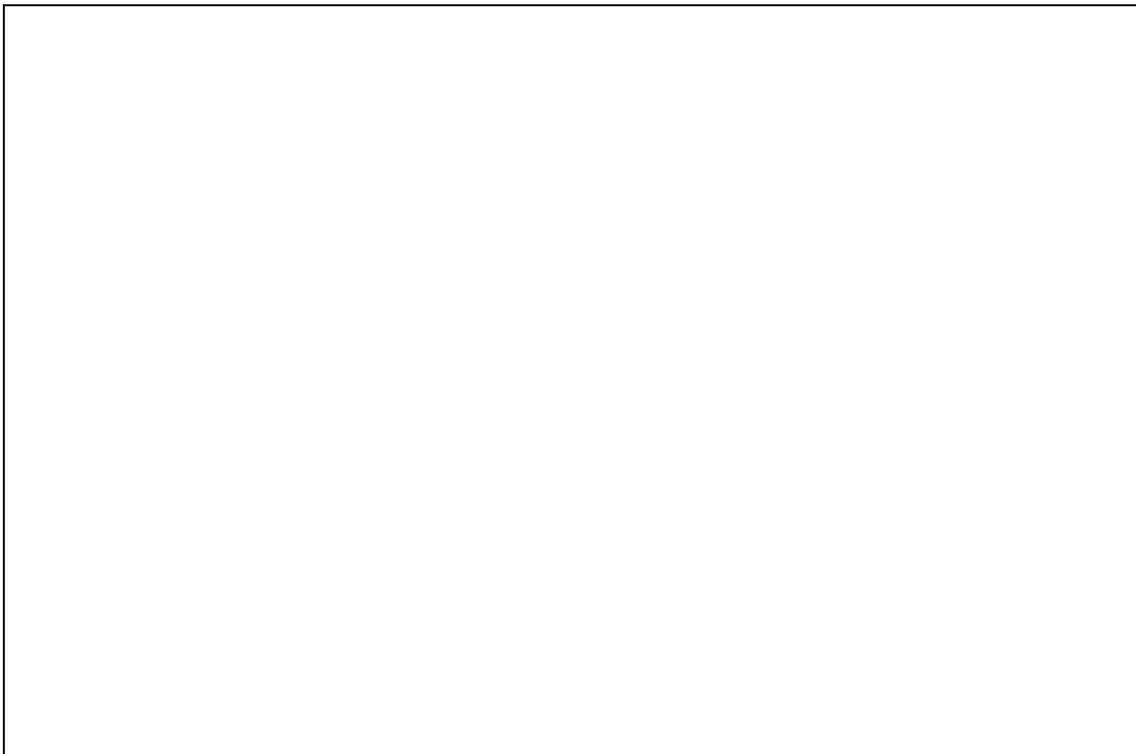
West Virginia lawmakers will decide in special session Monday whether to approve dedicating an additional \$150 million to highways maintenance. Delegates and senators got a preview of the proposal during legislative interim meetings on Sunday...

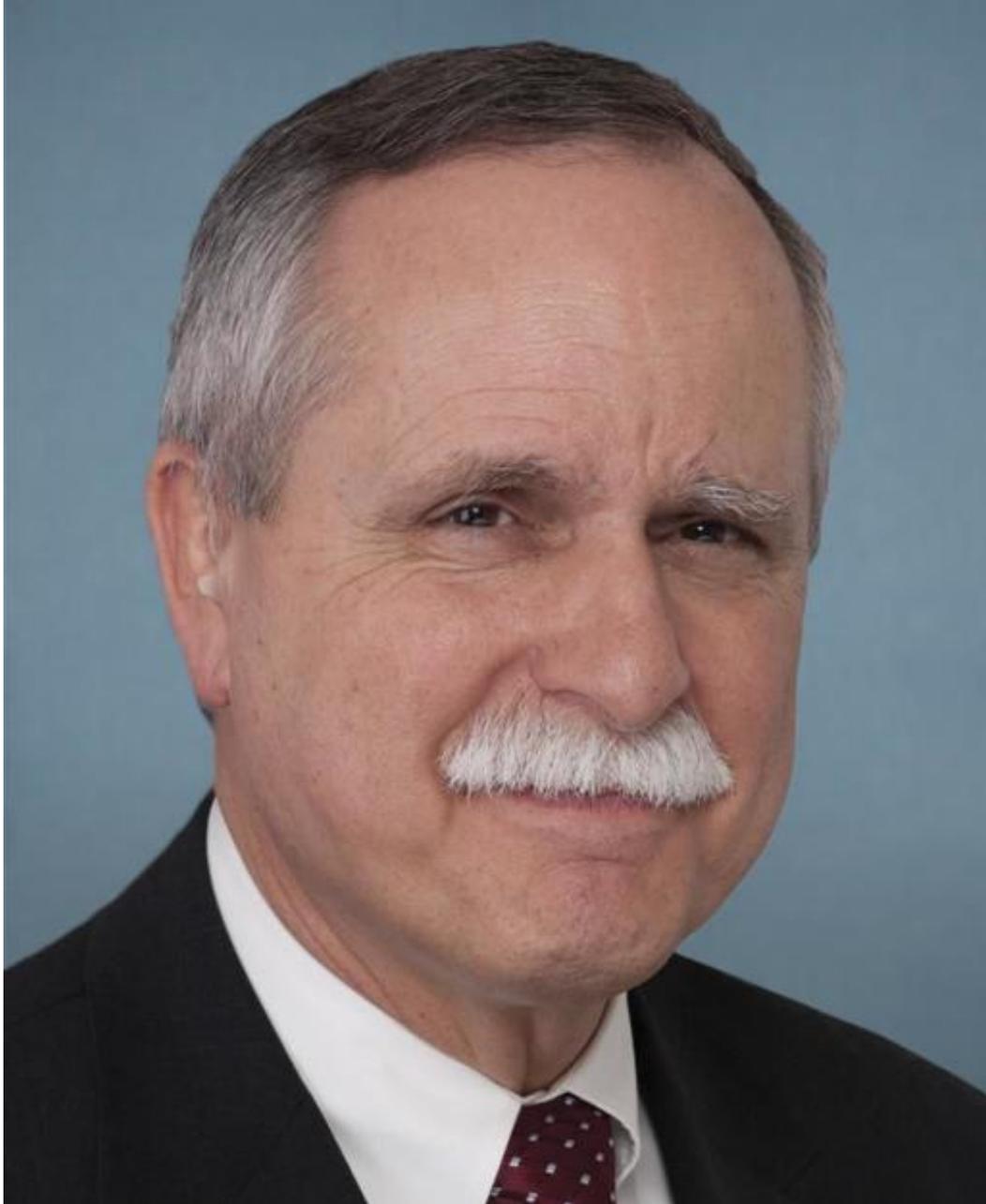
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## **Officials: Marshall County will suffer economic hardship is Mitchel Power Plan closes**





MOUNDSVILLE - Local officials told the West Virginia Public Service Commission last week that a potential closure of Mitchell Power Plant would be economically devastating to Marshall County and the surrounding communities. The Public Service...

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## Are You Ready to Get Ahead of Summer Safety Hazards?



Summer safety hazards abound. Are you ready to protect your employees during the Atlantic, Eastern Pacific, and Gulf Coast hurricane season? Wildfires? What about excessive heat? Are you ready for an influx of young workers with little previous...

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## Apprenticeship Opportunities

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## ANNOUNCEMENT OF APPRENTICESHIP OPPORTUNITIES IN THE CONSTRUCTION CRAFT LABORERS' TRADE

### PROGRAM SPONSOR

The West Virginia Construction Craft Laborers' Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee

### INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLYING

You may apply at any WorkForce West Virginia Employment Service office (Job Service) when they are reopened to the public. Until they reopen, you can apply by contacting the workforce at [workforcejobs@wv.gov](mailto:workforcejobs@wv.gov) to request an application for the West Virginia Construction Craft Laborers' Apprenticeship program. You have the option to have an application mailed or emailed to you. Then either mail or email the completed application back to the workforce. You must complete an application and if you do not have a high school diploma or equivalent, you will be required to take the TABE test. (Check your local WorkForce West Virginia office for a schedule of test times and dates.) WorkForce West Virginia hours of operation are Monday through Thursday, 8:30 am – 5:00 pm and Friday, 9:00 am – 5:00 pm. If you have any questions regarding this application process, you may contact your local WorkForce West Virginia office.

### MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Must be 18 years of age. Must possess a high school diploma / GED **OR**, pass a test administered by the West Virginia Job Service office, a valid driver's license and must be physically able to perform the work of the trade. A copy of your birth certificate, high school diploma / GED or transcript of grades and a copy of your valid driver's license will be requested at a later date.

All applicants selected to participate in the program must pass a drug test.

### TRAINING

Apprentices will be required to attend a total of 400 hours of classroom and hands-on training at the West Virginia Laborers' Training Center in Mineral Wells (Parkersburg), West Virginia where instruction, meals and lodging will be provided free of charge. In order to complete the program, apprentices will earn an appropriate wage rate while receiving 4000 hours of on-the-job training on construction projects in their home areas.

### EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

The recruitment, selection, employment and training of apprentices shall be without discrimination because of race, color, religion, national origin or sex. The sponsor will take affirmative action to provide equal opportunities in apprenticeship and will operate the Apprenticeship Program as required under Title 29 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 30.

### FURTHER INFORMATION

For a free brochure, please send a self-addressed stamped envelope to:

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