



# 2026 IRMCA Winter Mixer AGENDA

MON-WED, JAN 12-14, 2026

Join the Indiana Ready Mixed Concrete Association for its annual but renamed conference, the IRMCA Winter Mixer! This year, we focus on going **Back to Basics**. Learn, network, and connect with your colleagues and industry friends at the 2026 IWM.

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Indianapolis, Indiana

## DAY ONE

Date	Start (ET)	End (ET)	Topic
MON, 01/12	3:00 PM	5:00 PM	<b>Annual Membership Meeting</b> IRMCA Board, Staff, and Invited Producer Member Representatives discuss end of year IRMCA initiatives and goals.
MON, 01/12	8:00 PM	10:00 PM	<b>Welcome Reception</b> Visit with Exhibitors & IRMCA Members as we kick off the IRMCA Winter Mixer!
MON, 01/12	8:00 PM	10:00 PM	<b>Hot Wheels® 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Concrete Mixer Truck Bracket Race</b> Race for a cause and support the next generation of concrete leaders!



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## DAY TWO

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<b>TUE,</b> 01/13	7:30 AM	9:00 AM	<b>Breakfast</b> Serving a buffet-style breakfast for all IWM Attendees and Exhibitors.
<b>TUE,</b> 01/13	9:00 AM	9:15 AM	<b>Opening Words</b> Delivered by 2025 IRMCA President, Paul Winkle, <a href="#">Ozinga Ready Mix</a> Accompanied by <a href="#">IRMCA</a> Executive Director, Chad Montgomery
<b>TUE,</b> 01/13	9:15 AM	10:15 AM	<b>Concrete 202: Part One</b> Presented by Dr. Tyler Ley, Ph.D., P.E., <a href="#">Oklahoma State University</a>
<b>TUE,</b> 01/13	10:15 AM	10:30 AM	<b>Coffee Break &amp; Networking</b> Enjoy a beverage and snack break, while reconnecting with IRMCA Colleagues.
<b>TUE,</b> 01/13	10:30 AM	12:00 PM	<b>Concrete 202: Part Two</b> Presented by Dr. Tyler Ley, Ph.D., P.E., <a href="#">Oklahoma State University</a>



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<b>TUE,</b> 01/13	12:00 PM	1:00 PM	<b>Lunch</b> Serving a buffet-style lunch for all IWM Attendees and Exhibitors. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Individual Award Presentation</li> <li>• Developing Concrete Leaders Recognition</li> <li>• Exhibitor Introductions</li> </ul>
<b>TUE,</b> 01/13	1:00 PM*	2:00 PM	<b>Basics of AI in Construction</b> Presented by Nate Fuller, <a href="#">Placer Solutions</a>
<b>TUE,</b> 01/13	2:00 PM*	3:30 PM	<b>Panel Discussion: What a Contractor Wants</b> Master of Ceremonies: Ryan Decker, <a href="#">F.A. Wilhelm Construction Company</a> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Residential</b> Greg Sherwin, <a href="#">Custom Concrete</a></li> <li>• <b>Commercial</b> Ben Dykstra, <a href="#">Pepper Construction</a></li> <li>• <b>Highway</b> Steve Varner, <a href="#">E&amp;B Paving, Inc.</a></li> <li>• <b>Ready Mix &amp; Safety</b> Brett Deters, <a href="#">Hilltop Companies</a></li> </ul>



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<b>TUE,</b> 01/13	1:00 PM*	3:30 PM	<b>Industry Roundtable Discussions</b> Enjoy collaborative discussion with industry and peer experts on a variety of topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AI in Concrete</li> <li>• Challenges to INDOT</li> <li>• Concrete Promotion</li> <li>• Customer Relations</li> <li>• Low Carbon w/ Slag Cement</li> <li>• Marketing Concrete</li> <li>• Mental Health</li> <li>• Succession Planning</li> <li>• Vehicle Safety and Compliance</li> <li>• Young Leader Development</li> </ul>
<b>TUE,</b> 01/13	4:00 PM	5:00 PM	<b>Exhibitor Reception</b> Check out new, innovative products and industry favorites with the IWM exhibitors.

\*The Industry Roundtable Discussions will be held at the same time during the “Basics of AI in Construction” and the “Panel Discussion: What a Contractor Wants”. Attendees are welcome to attend either presentations or roundtables during this time session.



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TUE, 01/13	4:00 PM	5:00 PM	<b>Complimentary Headshots</b> Do you need a new, professional headshot? <a href="#">Greg Kicinski Photography</a> is again offering FREE headshots for all IWM attendees.
TUE, 01/13	5:00 PM	6:00 PM	<b>IRMCA Awards Reception</b> Let's recognize and celebrate the 2025 IRMCA Project Award Recipients.  <div> <b>Project Award Categories</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agricultural</li> <li>• Aviation</li> <li>• Commercial</li> <li>• Community Use</li> <li>• Decorative</li> <li>• Healthcare</li> <li>• Infrastructure</li> <li>• Institutional</li> <li>• Paving</li> <li>• Residential</li> <li>• Sustainability</li> <li>• Project of the Year</li> <li>• Runner-up: Project of the Year</li> </ul> </div>



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WED, 01/14	9:00 AM	10:15 AM	<b>Concrete Financial Forecast</b> Presented by Michael Guckes, Chief Economist at <a href="#">ConstructConnect</a>
WED, 01/14	10:15 AM	11:30 AM	<b>Keynote Speaker: Tony Kanaan</b> Delivered by <a href="#">IndyCar Driver</a> , Tony Kanaan <b>Sponsored by:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Concrete Machinery Corporation</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Corporate Chaplains of America</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">E5, Inc.</a></li> </ul>
WED, 01/14	11:30 AM	12:00 PM	<b>Closing Remarks</b> Delivered by 2026 IRMCA President, Kevin Lemler, <a href="#">imi</a> Joined by 2025 IRMCA President, Paul Winkle, <a href="#">Ozinga Ready Mix</a> Accompanied by <a href="#">IRMCA</a> Executive Director, Chad Montgomery