



Paving Company “Paves the Way” for Repairing Asphalt

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- San Bernardino National Forest, Mountaintop Ranger District
- Partners: National Paving Company of Riverside California, California Land Management campground concessionaire

Project description

National Paving Company donated labor, equipment and materials to crack-fill and chip-seal badly deteriorated paved surfaces in two Forest parking areas and a recreational path in the popular Big Bear Lake area. California Land Management, the campground concessionaire, paid for the services of a professional striping contractor.



Typical asphalt job. Photo courtesy SDTDC

For years the San Bernardino National Forest had been using a “band-aid” approach to maintaining the pavements at the 75-car Meadow Edge Picnic Area parking lot, the 25-car Juniper Point Marina parking lot, and the popular 3-mile Alpine Pedal Path. Lacking funds for full repair, each year the Forest bought cold asphalt material to pack into larger cracks. In 2008 National Paving of Riverside California offered to crack-fill and chip-seal these areas as a service to the community and the Forest. The project was completed in five days.

After paving was completed, campground concessionaire California Land Management paid \$4,000 for striping the parking areas. This was done through the Granger-Thye Act, which allows the Forest Service and concessionaires to use permit fees directly on the ground for facility improvements. The striping was especially important for re-establishing ADA-accessible parking spaces.

Benefits

- San Bernardino National Forest was able to rehabilitate popular parking areas and a path used for recreation, nature-watching, fitness classes and educational programs.
- National Paving Company received recognition for their products and services. The Forest installed recognition signs at each end of the Alpine Pedal Path.
- California Land Management improved facilities that increase visitor use.

Keys to success

“Having a partnership coordinator on-staff was essential,” notes Paul Bennett, the district recreation officer who coordinated the technical aspects of the project. “Gina Sampson was able to take the time to spend time with the owner of National Paving, doing field visits and arranging all the details.”

Types of agreements

Granger-Thye Act

Memorandum of Understanding with National Paving Company

Concessionaire Permit with California Land Management

Project costs and contributions

- San Bernardino National Forest provided technical oversight, asphalt recycling, and signage.
- National Paving Company made an in-kind, \$75,000: in-kind donation of paving labor, equipment and materials.
- California Land Management provided \$4,000 for professional striping contractor

Estimated savings

\$79,000 in labor, equipment and material

More information

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