



# Associated Construction Contractors of New Jersey

## *Public Policy Platform*

*The following represents ACCNJ's broad public policy positions, which shall serve as a guide for the Association in responding to legislative and regulatory proposals and court decisions, and in developing proactive governmental priorities.*

**Build for the Future** – Support development, financial, energy-efficiency and tax initiatives that will jump-start privately funded construction, which will grow the economy and create jobs.

**Secure Funding Streams for Public Infrastructure Financing** – Promote long-term funding solutions, supported by users, which will increase investment and improve the quality, safety and efficiency of New Jersey's critical public infrastructure systems and structures, and explore appropriate private financing options to augment public investment.

**Build Up Transportation Infrastructure** – Invest in our State's transportation infrastructure to ensure a thriving economy, including aviation, bridge, harbor, highway, port, rail, transit and tunnel.

**Stimulate Education, Health & Technology Expansion** – Encourage public financial support for facilities in high-value sectors, such as those that deliver education, provide medical care, and concentrate technological research and development in our State.

**Improve Water Infrastructure** – Protect property and the health of our residents through investment in our State's water resources, including flood control and environmental restoration.

**Help Environmental Recovery and Limit Climate Change** – Foster reasonable and achievable climate change polices that improve the State's energy generation and transmission capabilities, restore brownfields to beneficial use, and preserve New Jersey's competitiveness in the global marketplace.

**Enhance Competitiveness of Union Contractors** – Oppose efforts to roll back the prevailing wage, and support enforcement efforts to ensure union contractors are competing on a level playing field.

**Advance Consistency, Efficiency and Fairness in Agencies Procuring Construction Services** – Promote policies that make rules clear and consistent across governmental agencies, increase bidding opportunities, ensure fair performance evaluations and claim resolutions, streamline project delivery, and enhance certainty regarding payment.

**Increase Cooperation with Regulatory Agencies** – Work with regulatory authorities to promote compliance with laws and rules while ensuring that projects are delivered in a timely manner.