



2008 Washington DC Fly-In “Grass Roots Trip”

June 4-6, 2008

You are invited to visit with the Illinois Congressional Delegation

Illinois Association of Aggregate Producers along with the Indiana Mineral Aggregates Association and the Ohio Aggregates & Industrial Minerals Association are planning their annual trip to Washington D.C. This trip will give you the opportunity to visit one-on-one with your U.S. Congressmen and Senators and discuss issues important to the aggregates industry.

The focus of this year’s trip will be centered on the following issues:

- **Transportation** –
 - reauthorization of federal Transportation Bill
 - impact of fuel expense on production and delivery costs
- **Safety** – effects of the new MSHA rules and fines
- **Housing starts** – impact of sluggish economy – in particular housing

There may be numerous other important issues to discuss with them by June.

This activity is an important method of communicating our concerns to our elected officials. Since this is a very important trip, appointments need to be scheduled well in advance so register early.

Spouses and children are encouraged to participate. Most representatives like to visit with family groups. There will be free time on Friday to sight-see and visit museums. If there is interest, we may plan a group sightseeing event on Friday.

Trip Schedule:

June 4, 2007 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.	Wednesday, Arrival Day (Check-in 4 p.m.) Welcome Reception & Briefing for Thursday visits Residence Inn by Marriott – <u>Executive Suite 1317</u> 333 E Street SW, Washington, DC
June 5, 2007 8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Thursday, Visitation Day Breakfast at the Capitol Hill Club Congressional Visitation with Representatives on Capitol Hill
June 6, 2007 Prior to 12 noon	Friday, Check-out Check-out

We have blocked rooms at the **Residence Inn by Marriott**, located at 333 E Street SW, Washington, DC. The room rate is \$219/night single or \$229/double plus tax. Make your hotel reservations by calling: **Marriott Reservations @ 1-800-331-3131**. The room block is under **Indiana Mineral Aggregates**. You may also call the hotel direct at 202-484-8280. As a last resort, call the hotel number and then push #3 and speak with Jan’nelle Marshall for reservations. The deadline for reservations for the room block is: **May 5, 2008**.

Take this wonderful opportunity to combine advocating for the aggregates industry with a family outing. Afterwards, stay a day or two in Washington D.C. to visit the many museums and points of interest in the Washington D.C. area.