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## Safety First

### Annual Refresher

Quarries are very dangerous places and throughout the United States, accidents happen at quarries on a daily basis. Proper training and preparation is the key to eliminating these accidents. Part of the safety training at Stoneco includes an eight hour annual refresher covering topics including but not limited to First Aid, Lockout/Tag Out, Mobile Equipment, and Material Handling. In all, over 125 employees and contractors participated in this year's annual training and if each of them took only one thing away with them to apply in their daily activities they will all have a safer year. If you or your company would have interest in participating in future events please contact us and we can make arrangements for you to attend.

## Salt Shortage Got You Down?

Does the salt shortage have you and your customers wondering how they are going to deal with the white mess falling from the sky? Our Zeeb Road sand & gravel pit may have the answer in Chloride Sand an economic solution to your salt woes. At only \$20.00 per ton the material will get either you or a customer out of a snow removal bind.

## Great to be Green

Green could be the word of year, decade, or possible the century and it is everywhere. Federally funded project requirements will continue to become more and more stringent on both the recycle and reuse requirements.

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Here are some of the sample guidelines according to the **Federal Green Construction Guide for Specifiers**: Special requirements for waste management during [deconstruction,] [renovation,] construction operations. 1. Protect the environment, both on-site and off-site, during [deconstruction,] [renovation,] and construction operations. 2. Prevent environmental pollution and damage. 3. Maximize source reduction, reuse and recycling of solid waste. Concrete is specifically mentioned under the Solid Waste Management section of the Federal Guide. Develop and implement a waste management program in accordance with ASTM E1609 and as specified herein. Collection: Implement a recycling/reuse program that includes separate collection of waste materials of the following types as appropriate to the project waste and to the available recycling and reuse programs in the project area. So does going green mean more work for your company? The short answer is yes, but more work can also mean more "green," or profit, as well. The guidelines include the following: Green building rating systems typically include strategies to reduce construction waste. USGBC-LEED™ v2.2, for example, includes credits for diversion of waste at 50 percent and at 75 percent by weight or volume. So by including concrete recycling and recycled concrete placement in your project you can earn valuable credits toward the project's "Green" requirements. Our Ann Arbor Recycle Yard is ideally located at 3660 Carpenter Road in Ypsilanti directly across from the Target Store to service any project in that area for both the recycle and reuse requirements. We currently stock MDOT 21AA and 1" x 3" 100% recycled products.

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