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Website Anniversary: This July, the RMC Research & Education Foundation celebrates the first-year anniversary of its new, dynamic website. With streamlined-access to most of the Foundation's deliverables, information on new releases, links to a variety of industry resources and more, the Foundation's website is the go-to site for concrete industry professionals. Bookmark www.rmc-foundation.org and be sure to check back often for the latest resources!

Upcoming Releases: Projects anticipated for release later this year include the Guide to Concrete Trails and Paths, Impact of Extended Mixing Time on Concrete Durability and Performance, Improving Specifications to Resist Frost Damage in Modern Concrete Mixtures, Improving Concrete Durability, and a Thermal Performance Comparison Between ICF and Wood/Steel Frame Assemblies for Both Heating and Cooling. In addition, research briefs and reports are released regularly by the researchers at the [MIT Concrete Sustainability Hub](#) (CSHub). Be sure to check the Foundation's website regularly for new release availability. Please note that project release timeframes are subject to change. For more information about the Foundation's projects, please view our [Project Funding Summary Booklet](#).

Recent Releases: The Foundation has unveiled two significant projects this year, including PavementDesigner.org, a state-of-the-art resource for pavement designers, specifiers and others. Developed in partnership between the NRMCA, the PCA, ACPA and the Foundation, the website provides an easy-to-use program to help users design pavement using their own inputs, and provides information to better understand cement-based paving solutions and best practices for designing pavements. The other release, funded in partnership with the Portland Cement Association and the National Association of State Fire Marshals, is Factually Analyzing Integrated Layers of Safety Against Fire's Effects, or FAIL-SAFE, that studied the interaction between active and passive fire protection systems. This is particularly important given that data indicate that an increased reliance on sprinkler systems in lieu of other fire protection systems in the codes has led to a decrease in building fire safety scores. Project deliverables may be accessed from the [FAIL-SAFE website](#).



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Troesh Campaign Update: Just over two years ago, we launched the Troesh Matching Gift Campaign. The Troesh Family Foundation pledged \$3M over five years to support RMC's mission of increasing quality, professionalism and sustainability in the ready mixed concrete industry, provided that the industry matches this gift on a 3:1 basis (\$9M). **We** are getting very close to our goal, with \$8.4M already committed. However, now is the time when we need the full industry's support to get across the finish line. **If you haven't already done so, we ask that you make both a personal and corporate pledge to this campaign to help us achieve the match.** Even a modest pledge can go a long way toward

helping us reach this goal for the collective benefit of the ready mixed concrete industry. Pledges can be made over time (most are five years) but are recognized in full at the time they are made. Contributions are fully tax-deductible. You can view online our [Corporate Contributor List](#) and our [Individual Contributor List](#), as well as a list of the current [Troesh Matching Gift Campaign Donors](#). You may also access online an [Infographic](#) and [pledge form](#). If you have any questions or need more information to help with your decision-making, please contact Julie Garbini at 703-338-8647 (cell) or via [email](#). You can also read more about the Foundation's work on our [website](#).

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