



COLORADO READY MIXED
CONCRETE ASSOCIATION

Re: Safety Bulletin – Pumping Concrete Waste

Dear Concrete Industry Professional:

The Colorado Ready Mixed Concrete Association (CRMCA) is a fifty-plus year-old trade association, comprised of over 20 ready mixed concrete producers and over 100 associate and contractor members in the state of Colorado. Membership strives to create a safe working environment for all industry personnel, while pursuing the latest technologic and safety practices to educate our members and industry partners across the state.

It has come to the attention of the association that ready mixed concrete drivers have been put in potentially dangerous situations when working with concrete pumps. Employees are at risk for injury when pumping waste concrete back into the concrete mixer drum. **CRMCA strongly discourages this practice due to safety concerns.** In the event that this practice is deemed necessary and agreed upon by both the ready mixed producer and pump companies, ready mixed producers are encouraged to follow the below tips to ensure safety:

- The mixer driver should remain away from and not in contact with the pump hose
- The mixer drum should always be stopped
- The pump operator must be responsible for cleanup following the practice

These are just one of many steps to improve safety when working with concrete pumps. We encourage contractors and concrete pump companies to maintain a safe working environment for all personnel.

If you have any questions on the bullet points listed above please contact the association offices via telephone: 303-290-0303 or email: info@crmca.org. Thank you for continuing to keep safety at the forefront of your operation.

Sincerely,
Colorado Ready Mixed Concrete Association