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U.S. Pipe & Foundry Plant Tour, Union City, CA.

**Wednesday March 5, 2025 /
Wednesday March 26, 2025**

Time: 9:30 AM SHARP at **U.S. Pipe & Foundry, 1295 Whipple Road, Union City, CA**
510-441-5810

Leaders: U.S. Pipe Staff

Cost: \$15 per person (Prepaid). **This is a fee to ensure a place on the tour.**

The \$15 fee is paid to AMPP NorCal Chapter to cover the cost of the lunch and refreshments. A sandwich lunch will be provided along with soft drinks and bottled water.

There are two separate tours dates available. Please pay and provide your contact information during checkout for the tour date that you choose. Please only register for one tour date to give others an opportunity to attend. Attendance is limited to 10 people per tour, on a first-come, first-served basis. Others will be placed on a waitlist.

Safety Gear Requirements:

- **Hardhats, Safety Shoes, Safety Glasses, and Safety Vest ARE required to attend. U.S. Pipe can provide PPE if some members don't have it. Heat resistant coats will be provided by U.S. Pipe.**
- **All attendees MUST wear long pants.**
- **Steel-toed shoes ARE REQUIRED.**

The AMPP NorCal Chapter has scheduled a tour of U.S. Pipe & Foundry in Union City, CA. on March 5, 2025. Originally incorporated in 1899 as United States Cast Iron* Pipe and Foundry Company, the incorporation consolidated 12 companies located in eight states. Companies in the original consolidation included Chattanooga Foundry and Pipe Company, South Pittsburgh Pipe Works, Howard-Harrison Iron Company, The Anniston Pipe Foundry, Addyston Pipe and Steel Company, Buffalo Cast Iron Pipe Company, Dennis Long Company, Lake Shore Foundry Company, McNeal Pipe and Foundry Company, National Foundry and Pipe Works, Limited, Ohio Pipe Company, and Wisconsin Steel Company. At the time of its incorporation, it is estimated that U.S. Pipe produced approximately 75% of the production capacity in the United States. Of the 14 plants that composed the original corporation, two continue in operation today under new names. These plants are U.S. Pipe's Bessemer, AL, and Burlington, NJ facilities..

In 1921, Dimitri Sensaud deLavaud introduced centrifugal casting, a new pipe production process that would revolutionize the industry. That same year the Company purchased deLavaud's rights for the manufacture of cast iron pipe by the centrifugal casting method. DeLavaud's process consisted of introducing molten iron into a rapidly rotating steel mold. The centrifugal force of the rotating mold distributed the molten iron uniformly around the inner surface of the mold, which, upon cooling, resulted in a high-quality pipe. The Company now had the technology to mass produce a superior quality pipe. The North Birmingham Plant was the first of the company's facilities to be equipped for this new process.

Due to a growing population west of the Rocky Mountains, the company decided to construct its fifth plant in California. The plant was located a few miles southeast of Oakland in Union City. It began operations in 1951 and produced pipe in sizes 4 inch through 12 inch. Later the capability was expanded to include 16 inch and then 18 inch, 24 inch, and larger.

TOUR AGENDA:

9:30 AM	Check In / Introduction / Plant Safety Discussion
10:00 AM	Plant Tour
11:00 AM	One half hour presentation by Conor Madden or Mike Horton, U.S. Pipe & Foundry
11:30 AM	Question & Answer Session
11:45 AM	Sandwich Lunch
12:15 PM	Adjourn from U.S. Pipe & Foundry

REGISTRATION:

Only 10 places are available per tour!

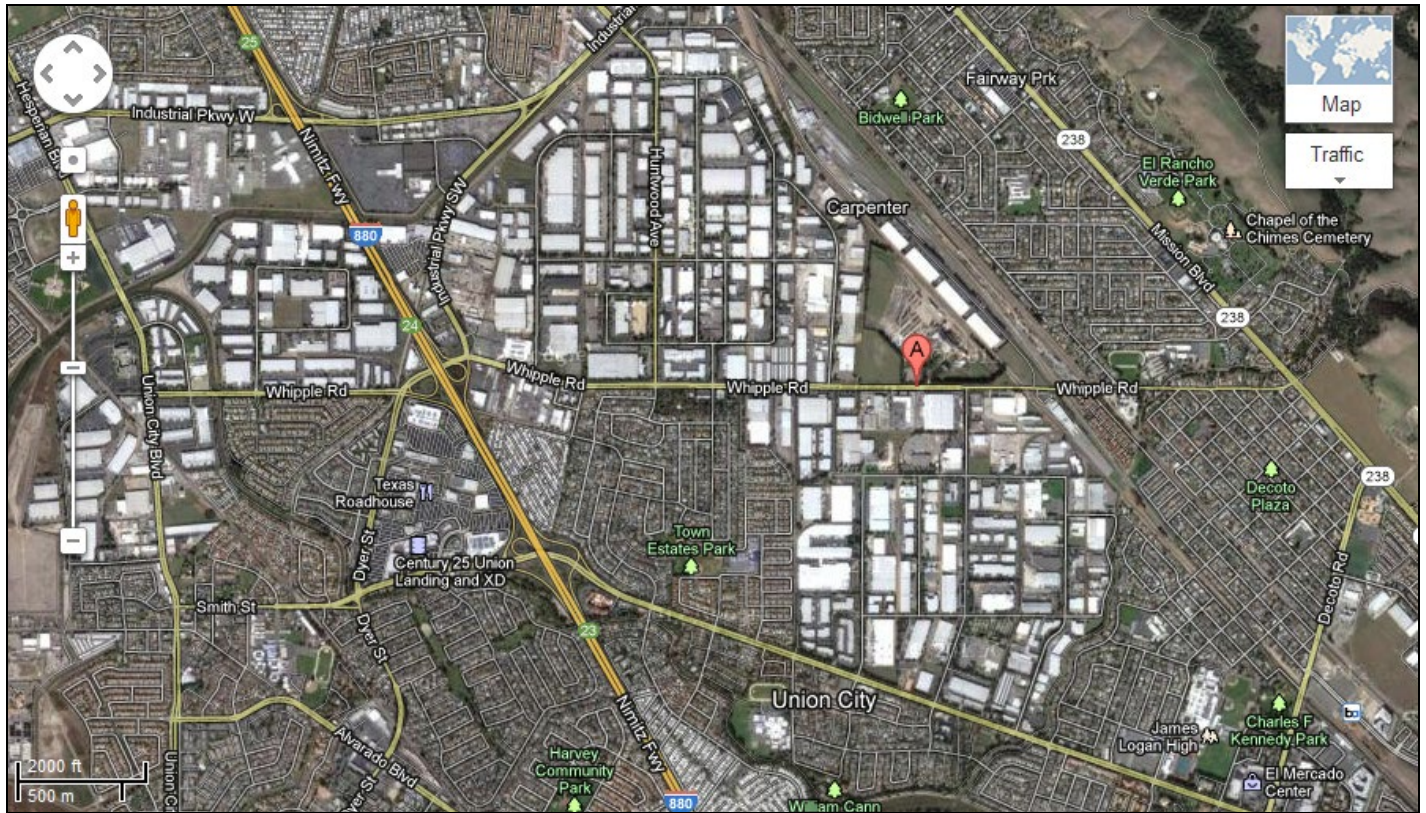
Please provide payment to reserve your spot for the tour date that you choose at the link below. You will be notified if the list is full and will place your name on a waiting list in the order received.

Cancellations should be made ASAP for people on the waiting list to attend.

For any questions contact Jackson Blake at jblake@bwdist.com

- **Tour on Wednesday March 5th, 2025:**
Pay Here: <https://square.link/u/3hZ8wYVZ>
 - **Tour on Wednesday March 26th, 2025:**
Pay Here: <https://square.link/u/r33NO2BL>
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DIRECTIONS:



U.S. Pipe & Foundry
1295 Whipple Road
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Exit I-880 north or south at Whipple Road and drive east. U.S. Pipe is approximately $1\frac{3}{4}$ miles east of the freeway on the left. Consult Google Maps using the address above for specific directions from your location.