Glen Kozak

Executive Vice President, Operations and Capital Projects New York Racing Association

Glen Kozak serves as the vice president, Operations and Capital Projects, for The New York Racing Association Inc. (NYRA). In this role, Kozak oversees facility and track operations, a job that encompasses \$50 million of operating budget for the maintenance of Belmont Park, Saratoga Race Course, and Aqueduct Racetrack. Kozak is also responsible for directing \$34 million of annual capital improvement projects, which aim to improve NYRA's safety measures, operational efficiency, and the generation of revenue.

Before joining NYRA in 2008, Kozak worked for the Maryland Jockey Club. He served as the vice president of Facilities and Racing Surfaces. He was responsible for the maintenance and planning of facilities as well as the upkeep of racing surfaces at Laurel Park, Pimlico Race Course, and Bowie Training Center. Kozak played a vital part in the upgrade of these tracks, including a \$30 million project to rebuild the turf and dirt tracks at Laurel Park, construction of Pimlico's turf-side dining pavilion, Corporate Village, Top of the Stretch, and the Clubhouse Turk Suites. From 1991 to 2004, Kozak served as the barn area superintendent and then the track superintendent at Suffolk Downs in Boston, Massachusetts. Kozak serves on many industry boards and committees, including the Racing Surfaces Testing Laboratory.