



ACEC/MO Newsletter - March 15, 2024

Welcome to ACEC/MO's Newsletter! With this email, you'll receive all of the top updates in our organization, as well as new features. To login to your account make sure you've got your username and password handy!

This newsletter will provide an update on our organization. Check your email often for more updates.

Items included in this ACEC/MO Newsletter are listed below.

- **Past & Upcoming Events** (Registration is Open for the 3rd Annual ACECMO/PAC Golf Tournament on May 6; Register Now for ACEC/MO & PSMJ A/E/C Project Management Bootcamp on June 19-20; ACEC/MO Winter Meeting & Awards Banquet Highlights; ACEC/MO 2024 Engineering Excellence Awards Announced)
- **Industry News** (Wastewater Minimum Design Standards and Guidelines Workgroup; Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District Grinder Pump Station CWC-V-2-24; ACEC Research Institute's Diversity Roadmap Featured in Conference)
- **Liaison Committee News** (Missouri Department of Transportation (Central & Northeast District) Liaison Committee; Missouri Department of Transportation (Northwest District) Liaison Committee; Division of Facilities Management, Design & Construction Liaison Committee; SAVE Coalition)
- **Member Information & Calendar** (New Member Firm and Associate Members Welcomed; Member News; Calendar of Events)

If there is something you would like us to include in the newsletter, or if you need anything else, please contact the ACEC/MO staff: [Morgan Mundell](#) or [Dawn \(Hill\) Danison](#).

INDUSTRY NEWS



Wastewater Minimum Design Standards and Guidelines Workgroup

The Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Water Protection Program will hold a Wastewater Minimum Design Standards and Guidelines Workgroup meeting on April 3, 2024, from 1-3 p.m. to discuss technical aspects of 10 CSR 20-8.140, Wastewater Treatment Plant Works. This meeting will focus on the technical aspects of the rule, including a discussion on updates to the minimum setback distances from wells and updates to chemical handling. This meeting will be held at the Lewis and Clark State Office Building, Gasconade Camp conference room, 1101 Riverside Drive, Jefferson City, MO, with a WebEx option being offered.

Date: April 3, 2024
Time: 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM
Location: Lewis & Clark State Office Building, Gasconade Camp Conference Room, 1101

PAST & UPCOMING EVENTS



Registration is Open for the 3rd Annual ACECMO/PAC Golf Tournament on May 6

ACEC/MO is hosting the 3rd Annual ACECMO/PAC Golf Tournament scheduled for **Monday, May 6, 2024**. It will be held at **The Club at Porto Cima, 133 Club House Drive, Sunrise Beach, MO 65079**. Registration begins at 10:00 AM followed by a shotgun start at 10:30 AM. ACEC/MO members can bring clients and guests to play in the tournament. There is a maximum of 60 players available.

REGISTRATION INFO: The cost is **\$200** per person, which includes green fees, cart, lunch, and more. You can register as an individual or you can register up to 8 people. The deadline to register is **Wednesday, April 24, 2024**. Registration information is available on our [website](#). *Individual and corporate checks are welcome for payment.*

ACEC Missouri & PSMJ Resources, Inc.

A/E/C PROJECT MANAGEMENT BOOTCAMP®

Register Now for ACEC/MO & PSMJ A/E/C Project Management Bootcamp on June 19-20

ACEC/MO is partnering with PSMJ Resources, Inc. to host the renowned A/E/C Project Management Bootcamp, which we have scheduled for **June 19-20, 2024** in **Columbia**. This 2-day workshop is guaranteed to give you proven skills to improve project delivery, financial performance, client satisfaction, and much more. For detailed information on this exceptional program, click here. To register online for the program, [click here](#). The early-bird deadline to register is Wednesday, May 15, 2024, to receive a special member discount. Registrants have the option to pay by check or by credit card.

The program will be held at the **Drury Plaza Hotel Columbia East, 3100 Interstate 70 Drive SE, Columbia, MO 65201**. We have a room rate of \$135++ set up. Please call 800-325-0720 to make your room reservation and give the group number of 10104536. You can also make your reservation [online](#).

If you have any questions, please contact Dawn (Hill) Danison at 573-634-4080 or email at DawnHill@acecmo.org.

ACEC/MO's 2024 Winter Meeting & Awards Banquet Highlights

ACEC/MO recently hosted our 50th Annual Winter Meeting & Awards Banquet in St. Louis on February 29-March 1, 2024. As part of the meeting, we presented multiple awards. Below are highlights of the meeting and banquet. We also want to thank the members listed below that sponsored the meeting and banquet. They helped make everything a huge success.

Riverside Drive, Jefferson City, MO

Details to join this meeting via WebEx can be found here: [Clean Water Rulemaking | Missouri Department of Natural Resources \(mo.gov\)](#).

More information about the Wastewater Minimum Design Standards and Guidelines Workgroup and supporting documents are available on the Clean Water Rulemaking Webpage:

<https://dnr.mo.gov/about-us/forums-stakeholder-groups/clean-water-rulemaking>. People with

disabilities requiring special services or accommodations to attend the meeting may make arrangements by calling 573-751-5723 or 800-361-4827. They also may write in advance of the meeting to the following address: Department of Natural Resources, Water Protection Program, Attn: Julie Borghardt, P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, MO 65102. Hearing impaired individuals may contact the program through Relay Missouri at 1-800-735-2966.i



Water Protection Program

Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District Grinder Pump Station CWC-V-2-24

The Missouri Department of Natural Resources hereby places the Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District Grinder Pump Station Variance CWC-V-2-24 on public notice.

On the basis of preliminary staff review and the application of applicable state and federal regulations, the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, as administrative agent for the Missouri Clean

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- Bacon Farmer Workman Engineering & Testing, Inc.
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- Crawford, Murphy & Tilly, Inc.
- HDR, Inc.
- Hg Consult, Inc.
- Olsson
- Palmerton & Parrish, Inc.

MEETING HIGHLIGHTS:



ACEC/MO Environmental Committee members met and heard a presentation from Jeannette Schafer, EPA Region 7; as well as Robert Gramke and Chad Lamontagne, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.



ACEC/MO Transportation Committee met and got an update from Eric Kopinski, MoDOT I-70 Director.



Water Commission, proposes to recommend approval of the Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District Grinder Pump Station Variance CWC-V-2-24. The proposed recommendation is tentative pending public comment. Comments should be confined to the issues relating to the proposed action and the potential effect on emergency operations and water quality. You can find the public notice posted [here](#).

Anyone interested in commenting on the proposed variance is invited to submit comments in writing to the Department. Comments should be submitted by email to cindy.lepage@dnr.mo.gov or by mail to Attn: Cindy LePage, Department of Natural Resources, Water Protection Program, P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102. **All comments must be received or postmarked no later than April 8, 2024.**

ACEC Research Institute's Diversity Roadmap Featured in Conference

Early last week, Daphne Bryant, Executive Director of the ACEC Research Institute, took part in a panel discussion at Zweig Groups' ElevateHER Symposium to discuss the findings of the recently released Diversity Roadmap Benchmarking Tool and the People & Culture Survey. Both are a first-of-their-kind data collection and analysis tools that allow executives in the AEC industry to evaluate diversity and inclusion in their firms.

Each of these tools is free and open to use. Take the People & Culture Survey [here](#) and view the Diversity Roadmap [here](#). On March 5th, the Institute held an online presentation titled

Joel Burken, PhD, PE, BCEE, F. AEESP, Civil, Architectural and Environmental Engineering, MO University of Science & Technology, did a presentation on "The Future of the Engineering Pipeline" during lunch.



ACEC/MO members attended the CEO roundtables where they discussed important items of interest to them.



Members, guests and clients had a chance to network during the design excellence reception, while reviewing the winning EEA project display panels.



Charles Gascon, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, gave a presentation during breakfast on the Economic Outlook.

"Engineering Your DEI Journey: Client Perspectives and Industry Progress." The session went into detail on the recently released Diversity Roadmap, and was moderated by ACEC's Vice President of Tax and Workforce Policy, Katharine Mottley, and featured a panel of industry experts including Lisa Brother, PE, ENV SP, LEED AP BD+C, President and CEO, Nitsch Engineering, Daphne Bryant, Masai Lawson, Senior Manager, Talent Acquisition & Inclusion, Gannett Fleming, and Monica G. Tibbitts-Nutt, AICP, LEED, AP BD+C, Secretary and CEO, Massachusetts Department of Transportation.

Click [here](#) to watch the recorded session of the panel discussion.

LIAISON COMMITTEE NEWS



Missouri Department of Transportation (Central & Northeast District) Liaison Committee

The Missouri Department of Transportation (Central & Northeast District) Liaison Committee met on February 21, 2024. Committee members in attendance were Jason Dohrmann, Mike Erdtmann, Dennis Heckman, Kevin Heffern, Todd Kempker, John Klein, Travis Pfeiffer, and John Zimmermann. Items discussed during the meeting included:

- MoDOT Leadership Updates / Central Office Staffing Changes
- MoDOT District Updates / Staffing Changes / Major Project/Planning Updates



Kevin Corwin, PE, PLS, PMP, InScope, presented a seminar on The Four Project Management Realities All Consulting Firms Face.



Our quarterly Board of Directors / Membership Meeting was held.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARDS:



BFA, Inc. - 50 Years of Service (Photo not available.)

- RFQ Solicitations Trends / On-Call Solicitation & Overall Consultant Usage
- Construction Letting Trends
- STIP, 6-Month Outlook, and Unfunded Needs
- MoDOT MicroStation ORD Implementation Updates
- Consultant Deliverables – Quality/Areas of Improvement, Schedules, etc.
- MoDOT Consultant Contract Insurance Changes – PLI, CGL and Automobile
- MoDOT Project Scheduling Tool Progress and Updates.

The next meeting is scheduled for August 14, 2024. To see the complete minutes from this meeting, [click here](#). You can also see minutes from the most recent meetings posted on [ACEC/MO's website](#).



Missouri Department of Transportation (Northwest District) Liaison Committee

The Missouri Department of Transportation (Northwest District) Liaison Committee met on February 21, 2024.

Committee members in attendance were Ozzy Bravo, Matt Johnson, Mike McKenna, Chip Touzinsky, Scott McDonald, and Matt Spencer. Items discussed during the meeting included:

- Assistant District Engineer Comments
- General District/Project Updates



HNTB Corporation - 110 Years of Service (Representatives (l to r): Sam Martel; Travis Pfeiffer, and Kevin Wallace.



Palmerton & Parrish, Inc. - 35 Years of Service (Representative: Erin Parrish (left photo); and **Strickland Engineering - 45 Years of Service** (Representatives - l to r: Brian Strickland and Mark Strickland.)

ACEC/MO 2024 Engineering Excellence Awards Announced

ACEC/MO member firms recently entered projects in the 2024 Engineering Excellence Awards Competition. The winners were announced during ACEC/MO's Awards Banquet on February 29, 2024. Below is a list of the winning project entries. To see more details on each project entry, go to [ACEC/MO's website](#).

- STIP/Unfunded Needs Updates
- Upcoming Consultant Projects (6 Month Outlook, Alternative Delivery, On-call, etc.)
- Consultant Performance Feedback
- ACEC MO / MoDOT HQ Liaison Committee Updates.

The next meeting is scheduled for May 22, 2024. To see the complete minutes from this meeting, [click here](#). You can also see minutes from the most recent meetings posted on [ACEC/MO's website](#).



OFFICE of ADMINISTRATION
Facilities Management, Design & Construction

Division of Facilities Management, Design & Construction Liaison Committee

The Division of Facilities Management, Design & Construction / ACECMO / AIA Liaison Committee met on February 15, 2024. Committee members in attendance were Tom Cissell, Trey Coad, Bruce Dawson, Vicki LaRose, and Steve Schultz. Items discussed during the meeting included:

- FMDC Staff Changes
- ARPA Project Updates
- Future Appropriations and Funding Updates
- A/E RFP's and Scope Definition in General
- House Bill No. 2314 Update
- Update on Design-Build CM at Risk Legislation
- Safe + Simpler Coalition and Simplifying Building Codes
- CAD Guidelines
- FMDC / Designer / Contractor Training.



**GRAND CONCEPTOR AWARD
Crawford, Murphy & Tilly, Inc.**

Project: MacArthur Bridge Approach West Span Replacement



**GRAND AWARD
ABNA Engineering, Inc.**

Project: Forest Park Waterways Bathymetric Survey



**GRAND AWARD
Burns & McDonnell**

Project: Ameren Missouri Community Solar Project - Montgomery County

The next meeting is scheduled for June 26, 2024. To see the complete minutes from this meeting, [click here](#). You can also see minutes from the most recent meetings posted on [ACEC/MO's website](#).

SAVE Coalition

The SAVE Coalition met on February 23, 2024. Committee members in attendance were Vicki LaRose, and Scott Perkins. Items discussed during the meeting included:

- Virtual Meetings
- Board Appointments
- Training Updates
- Seismic Safety Commission
- CUSEC Update
- Inspector Qualifications
- Trimming Membership Rolls
- Tennessee Building Evaluation Exercise
- Drone Deployment
- Earthquake Summit 2024 in Cape Girardeau
- EMAC/MRP.

The next meeting is scheduled for May 10, 2024. To see the complete minutes from this meeting, [click here](#). You can also see minutes from the most recent meetings posted on [ACEC/MO's website](#).

MEMBER INFORMATION & CALENDAR



New Member Firm & Associate Members Welcomed

We want to welcome the following new member firm and



**GRAND AWARD
Burns & McDonnell**

Project: STL Jet Fuel System Upgrades and Remediation



**GRAND AWARD
HR Green, Inc.**

Project: Route 94/Route 364/Muegge Road Interchange Project
Management Consultant (PMC)



**GRAND AWARD
IMEG**

Project: Missouri Botanical Garden Jack C. Taylor Visitor Center

associate members to the Council and hope you will too.

MEMBER FIRMS:

Miller Engineering, PC

3831 S. Timbercreek Avenue
Springfield, MO 65807
Phone: (417) 866-6664
Contact: Travis Miller

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS:

Emery Sapp & Sons, Inc.

2301 I-70 Drive NW
Columbia, MO 65202
Phone: (573) 445-8933
Contact: Chip Jones

Rinker Materials

21421 E. Truman Road
Independence, MO 64056
Phone: (816) 796-3344
Contact: Karl Beckemeier

MEMBER NEWS

Member News

Affinis Corp is pleased to announce that **Anthony Kammerer**, a roadway engineer at the firm, passed his PE Exam.

Calendar of Events

2024

May 6 - 3rd Annual ACECMO/PAC Golf Tournament, Sunrise Beach

May 22-23 - Future Leaders Academy, Kansas City

June 5-6 - Future Leaders Academy, St. Charles

June 12-14 - ACEC Midwest States Conference, Kansas City

June 19-20 - ACEC/MO & PSMJ A/E/C Project Management Bootcamp, Columbia

July 16-17 - Future Leaders Academy, Columbia

August 21-23 - Future Leaders Academy, Osage Beach



GRAND AWARD
TREKK Design Group, LLC
Project: Distribution Manhole Inspection Program



GRAND AWARD
TWM, Inc.
Project: Route 100 (Manchester Road) Rehabilitation



HONOR AWARD
GBA, Inc.
Project: Route 171 Intersection Safety Improvements

August 21-23 - ACEC/MO Summer Meeting & ACEC/PAC Golf Tournament, Osage Beach
November 7-8 - ACEC/MO Fall Mtg. & 3rd Annual Sporting Clays Tournament, Columbia

2025

February 27-28 - ACEC/MO Winter Meeting & Awards Banquet, Kansas City
June 4-6 - ACEC Midwest States Conference - Location TBD

Newly added events are italicized. To see a complete calendar of events, go to [ACEC/MO's website](#).

Change of address, email, or any information? You will need to login to your profile in our member portal through our website.



HONOR AWARD

Lochmueller Group, Inc.

Project: Centennial Greenway: Christy Drive to Schaefer Park



HONOR AWARD

Lochmueller Group, Inc.

Project: Stormwater Master Plan



HONOR AWARD

Olsson, Inc.

Project: MSU Grand Avenue Pedestrian Underpass



HONOR AWARD
TREKK Design Group, LLC
Project: I-49 Outer Road Conversion Design-Build