

**December 21, 2021** 

Items included in this ACEC Missouri Weekly Update are listed below.

- **Upcoming Events** (OSHA Webinar on ETS Scheduled for December 22nd; Save the Date for ACEC/MO's Winter Meeting & Awards Banquet on February 24-25; Register Now for ACEC/MO's 2022 Future Leaders Academy)
- Liaison Committee News (Kansas City, Missouri Liaison Committee)
- Industry News (ACEC Launches Resources for IIJA Implementation; Public Notice Now Open for Regulatory Impact Report: Construction and Operating Permits; Architects & Engineers Webinar Series; Missouri Clean Water Commission Notice of Open Meeting on January 14, 2022)
- Member Information & Calendar (QBS Nominations Wanted; New Member Firm Welcomed; Member News; Calendar of Events)

If there is something you would like us to include in the weekly updates, or if you need anything else, please contact the ACEC/MO staff: *Morgan Mundell* or *Dawn Hill*.

We hope you have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!!



## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

## **OSHA Webinar on ETS Scheduled for December 22nd**

by Dan Hilton, ACEC Director of Procurement Advocacy & International Affairs

Below this message is an update from the Department of Labor, which includes updated resources for the implementation of the emergency temporary standard and two webinar opportunities this week that will allow for employers to submit questions in advance. An appeal of last Friday's decision has been made to the Supreme Court, along with a request for an emergency injunction, which can be read <a href="here">here</a>. In addition, 26 state attorneys general have also filed a second emergency injunction to the Supreme Court, which can be found <a href="here">here</a>. It is up to the Supreme Court to decide whether or not OSHA has ability to enforce the ETS until full legal briefing and hearing on the merits of the legal challenges to the ETS occurs. So far, all of the challenges have been about whether the ETS should be stayed pending a full review of the legal challenges, which could take several months to occur. The request before the Supreme Court is not whether the ETS is a valid regulation, but whether an emergency stay should be granted prohibiting OSHA from implementing and enforcing the ETS while the parties and courts prepare to argue the merits.

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On Friday, December 17th, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit dissolved the Fifth Circuit's stay of the Vaccination and Testing Emergency Temporary Standard (ETS). The Department of Labor (DOL) and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) can now resume implementing this vital workplace health standard. The ETS establishes requirements to protect employees of large employers (100 or more employees) from the risk of contracting COVID-19 in the workplace.

To account for any uncertainty created by the stay, OSHA is exercising enforcement discretion with respect to the ETS compliance dates. To provide employers with sufficient time to come into compliance, **OSHA will not issue citations for non-compliance with any requirements of the ETS before January 10 and will not issue citations for non-compliance with the standard's testing requirements before February 9**, so long as an employer is exercising reasonable, good faith efforts to come into compliance with the standard.

**The Department of Labor will provide a briefing tomorrow** with senior DOL and OSHA officials to discuss recent developments and updated guidance related to the rule. A prerecorded webinar on the content of the ETS is available <a href="here">here</a>. Attendees are encouraged to review guidance and information from OSHA ahead of the briefing and submit questions using the RSVP links below.

### **ETS Briefing schedule:**

Wednesday, December 22, 2021 from 1-1:45pm To RSVP, click <u>here</u>

More information on the ETS can be found at these links:

- Vaccination and Testing ETS landing page
- Full Vaccination and Testing ETS text.

# Save the Date for ACEC/MO's Winter Meeting & Awards Banquet on February 24-25, 2022

We have set the dates and location for ACEC/MO's Winter Meeting & Awards Banquet. The meeting will be held on **February 24-25, 2022,** at the **Crowne Plaza Kansas City Downtown**. We've moved the format of the meeting around a little and have listed a draft agenda below. We'll send out registration information as soon as we have all the details finalized.

**HOTEL INFORMATION:** The meeting will be held at the Crowne Plaza Kansas City Downtown, 1301 Wyandotte Street, Kansas City, MO 64105. We have a

block of sleeping rooms set up at a rate of **\$119.00**. To make your sleeping room reservation, call (816) 474-6664 ext. 7500 or 1-800-2CROWNE; or you can reserve your room online. Our block of rooms will be held until January 24, 2022, so please reserve your room by that date.



#### - TENTATIVE AGENDA -

#### **THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2022**

10:30 AM - Environmental Committee Meeting (Guest Speaker: Rebecca B. Losli, P.E., Director of Engineering, Missouri American Water Company)

10:45 AM - Governmental Affairs Committee Meeting

12:00 PM - Luncheon / QBS Awards / Speaker

1:45 PM - Critical Business Issues Roundtable (Small/Medium Firms & Medium/Large Firms)

6:00 PM - Awards Reception & Banquet (to include entertainment)

#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2022

8:30 AM - Breakfast / Speaker 10:00 AM - Board of Directors / Membership Meeting

# Register Now for ACEC/MO's 2022 Future Leaders Academy

Does your firm have a candidate for ACEC/MO's 2022 Future Leaders Academy (FLA)? Registration for the FLA program is now open. The dates for the 2022 FLA program are set for **May 4-5** in St. Charles; **June 15-16** in Independence; **July 20** via Zoom; and **August 24-25** in Osage Beach.



The FLA is an extensive leadership program for young leaders in private consulting firms committed to developing their leadership abilities. The program is most beneficial to those participants with approximately 8-15 years of industry experience. These highly interactive sessions are taught by experts in the field of business administration and people management in professional service firms.

Registration information is posted on our <u>website</u>. To register for the 2022 FLA Program, click on the "**Register Now for ACEC/MO's 2022 Future Leaders Academy**" link below. We have almost half the spots filled already so if you want a spot in the 2022 class, please send in your registration form or contact Dawn Hill at <u>DawnHill@acecmo.org</u>.

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# LIAISON COMMITTEE NEWS

# **Kansas City, Missouri Liaison Committee**

The Kansas City, Missouri / ACECMO Liaison Committee met on December 2, 2021, at the KCI Aviation Administration Building. ACEC/MO committee members in attendance included: Chris Burns, Rob Krewson, Kristen Leathers-Gratton, Julie McNiff, Agnes Otto, Tom Poer and Steve Wells. Items discussed during the meeting included the list below. The committee also had a PPE briefing and a tour of the KCI Terminal to conclude the meeting.



- Future Funding Opportunities/Plans
- ACEC/MO Updates
- KCMO Updates (Org Changes/Projects/Initiatives, etc.)

To see the complete minutes from this meeting, <u>click here</u>. You can also see these meeting minutes on ACEC/MO's <u>website</u>.

## **INDUSTRY NEWS**

# **ACEC Launches Resources for IIJA Implementation**

ACEC's Advocacy team launched a new landing page to provide member firms with resources on the implementation of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act. The site currently hosts links to resources from the White House, the Department of Transportation,



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and its modal agencies, and will be updated as new information becomes available. Visit the site here.

# Public Notice Now Open for Regulatory Impact Report: Construction and Operating Permits

The Regulatory Impact Report (RIR) for proposed revisions to 10 CSR 20-6.010, Construction and Operating Permits, is now available for public comment. This report is required at the beginning of the rulemaking process for rules prescribing environmental standards or conditions. It documents the environmental and economic costs and benefits associated with the proposed rule changes. The Missouri Department of Natural Resources welcomes your comments to help ensure that our regulations provide required protections but do not add unneeded costs.

Review and comment on the RIR through the Department's Regulatory Action Tracking System (RATS) webpage through February 3, 2022, at <a href="https://apps5.mo.gov/proposed-rules/welcome.action#OPEN">https://apps5.mo.gov/proposed-rules/welcome.action#OPEN</a>. Submit comments either online through RATS, by email to <a href="mailto:Steven.hamm@dnr.mo.gov">Steven.hamm@dnr.mo.gov</a>, or by mail at Attn. Steven Hamm, Department of Natural Resources, Water Protection Program, P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0176. Include your contact information: name, email address, and phone number. The proposed revisions to the rule will be open for public comment at a later date. Please confine your comments during this public notice to the RIR.

# **Architects & Engineers Webinar Series**

Holmes Murphy & Associates is hosting an A&E Continuing Education Webinar Series and they are now available to register. Courses are <u>free</u> to attend and qualify for AIA and CEU credits.

They offer a variety of courses not listed. AEs largest costs are their people, insurance, and real estate. Our continuing education programs help retain and attract employees and offer open lines of communication throughout a firm by providing open ended discussions. These education programs also provide more awareness around your firms' risk management program which leads to less frequency and or severity of claims.

Below is a list of the webinars and a link to register. You can also click

here to see the courses offered and registration links. All courses are

12:00-1:00 PM. If you have any questions, contact James Roan at <a href="mailto:jroan@holmesmurphy.com">jroan@holmesmurphy.com</a>.



#### FEBRUARY 17: MANAGING YOUR RISK & DUTY TO DEFEND

Registration Link: https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2801563742294884365

#### MARCH 17: ETHICS FOR THE DESIGN PROFESSIONAL

Registration Link: <a href="https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2612297109224495885">https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2612297109224495885</a>

#### **APRIL 21: SITE VISIT GUIDELINES DO'S AND DON'TS**

Registration Link: https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1866806235359864077

#### **MAY 19: CLIENT SELECTION & MANAGEMENT**

Registration Link: https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1214987155111962637

#### **JUNE 16: CONFRONTING A CRISIS, A CASE STUDY**

Registration Link: <a href="https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/88999287339139085">https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/88999287339139085</a>

#### **AUGUST 18: FIELD OF BAD DREAMS, A CASE STUDY**

Registration Link: https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2971812122740190992

#### SEPTEMBER 15: MENTAL HEALTH & THE DESIGN PROFESSIONAL\*

Registration Link: https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/208101685395045392

#### OCTOBER 20: WATCH OUT FOR THAT PROJECT RISK! PROJECT RISK ANALYSIS

Registration Link: <a href="https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2378147312971726863">https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2378147312971726863</a>

#### **NOVEMBER 17: INTERSTATE ENGINEERING, A CASE STUDY**

Registration Link: <a href="https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/167677041863566096">https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/167677041863566096</a>

# Missouri Clean Water Commission Notice of Open Meeting on January 14, 2022

The Missouri Clean Water Commission will meet at **10:00 AM** on **January 14, 2022**, at the Lewis and Clark State Office Building, LaCharrette/Nightingale conference rooms, 1101 Riverside Drive,



Jefferson City, MO, with a Webex option being offered. Information on how to join the meeting remotely is listed below.

#### Join Webex Meeting

Enter the event password: CWC Click "Join Now".

Follow the instructions that appear on your screen to join the teleconference.

-or

Call-in toll number (US/Canada): 1-650-479-3207

Access code: 2458 443 4213 Meeting Password: CWC

People with disabilities requiring special services or accommodations to attend the meeting may make arrangements by calling the commission's secretary at 573-751-6721 or 800-361-4827. They also may write two weeks in advance of the meeting to the following address: Department of Natural Resources, Missouri Clean Water Commission, Attn: Krista Welschmeyer, P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, MO 65102. Hearing impaired individuals may contact the program through Relay Missouri at 1-800-735-2966.

## **MEMBER INFORMATION & CALENDAR**

# **QBS Nominations Wanted**

The ACEC/MO QBS Award was established to recognize outstanding support of the Qualifications-Based Selection procedures. The contributions can made in many forms but must embody a commitment to and support and promotion of QBS. ACEC/MO gives an annual award in the categories of government and non-government. If you work with a public or private client that uses or has converted to the QBS method, go to our <a href="website">website</a> for a nomination form if you want to submit them for an award. The deadline to submit a nomination form is **December 31, 2021**. The award will be given at ACEC/MO's Winter Meeting on February 24, 2022, in Kansas City.

## **New Member Firm Welcomed**

We want to welcome the following new member firm to the Council and hope you will too.



### **Solutions AEC, LLC**

12970 Maurer Industrial Drive, Suite 200, St. Louis, MO 63127

Phone: (314) 966-6299

Key Contact: Matthew Spencer

### **Member News**

<u>Burns & McDonnell</u> is pleased to announce that **Randall Perkinson** received an American Society of Civil Engineers Professional Recognition Award. The St. Louis section of ASCE gives this honor to someone that advances the science and profession of engineering and makes substantial contributions to the engineering profession.



<u>Crawford, Murphy & Tilly, Inc.</u> is pleased to announce that **Ty Sander** has been inducted into Missouri University of Science and Technology's Academy of Civil Engineers. This group recognizes outstanding civil engineers for their contribution to the profession, leadership, and involvement with Missouri S&T.

**Horner & Shifrin, Inc.** is proud to announce that **Amanda Payne** received the 2021 Leonard C. Kirberg Pinnacle Award. Amanda has been with the firm for 4 years and has performed marketing and business development operations in the AEC industry since 2011. This year, she has led efforts growing the firm into new regions.

### **Calendar of Events**

**February 24-25, 2022** -- ACEC/MO Winter Meeting & Awards Banquet, Kansas City (**NEW DATES**)

May 2, 2022 - ACEC/MO 1st Annual PAC Golf Tournament, Porto Cima, Sunrise Beach May 22-25, 2022 - ACEC Annual Convention & Legislative Summit, Washington, DC May 4-5, 2022 -- ACEC/MO Future Leaders Academy, St. Charles June 8-13, 2022 - ACEC Midwest States Conference, St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands



June 15-16, 2022 -- ACEC/MO Future Leaders Academy, Independence
July 20, 2022 -- ACEC/MO Future Leaders Academy, Virtual
August 24-25, 2022 -- ACEC/MO Future Leaders Academy, Osage Beach
August 25, 2022 -- ACEC/MO 6th Annual ACEC/PAC Golf Tournament, Osage Beach
August 25-26, 2022 -- ACEC/MO Summer Meeting, Osage Beach
October 16-19, 2022 -- ACEC Fall Conference, Colorado Springs, CO
November 3-4, 2022 -- ACEC/MO Fall Meeting, Columbia

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

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