



Welcome to ACEC/MO's Weekly Newsletter! With this email, you'll receive all of the top updates in our organization, as well as new features.

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

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

- **ACEC/MO President's Report**
- **Upcoming Events** (*Registration Deadline Nears for ACEC/MO Winter Meeting & Awards Banquet on March 2-3; Other Upcoming ACEC/MO Meetings*)
- **Industry News** (*Public Notice of Regulatory Impact Report for Water Protection Program Rules in Development; ACEC to Highlight 2023 National Engineers Week Tributes by Members Organizations, Firms*)
- **Liaison Committee News** (*Missouri Department of Transportation (HQ) Liaison Committee*)
- **Member Information & Calendar** (*New RFPs/RFQs Posted on ACEC/MO Website; Calendar of Events; Member News*)

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 \(Hill\) Danison](#).

LIAISON COMMITTEE NEWS



Missouri Department of Transportation (HQ) Liaison Committee

The Missouri Department of Transportation (HQ) / ACECMO Liaison Committee met virtually on January 26, 2023. Committee members in attendance were: Buddy Desai, Dave Diestelkamp, Kevin Fuller, Bob Gilbert, Aaron Kober, Vicki LaRose, Kevin Wallace, Joel Weinhold & Srinu Yanamanamanda. Items discussed during the meeting included:

- MoDOT Staff Changes
- Legislative Priorities/Updates
- Governor's I-70 Budget Request
- Any Insights on FAR O/H Rate Approvals
- Update on MoDOT On-Call Selections and Timelines

ACEC/MO President's Report



ACEC/MO President's Report

This week, House Appropriation Subcommittees began meeting. On Thursday, the **House Bill 4** was voted out of committee, which contains the MoDOT budget. This bill is also the vehicle for Governor Parson's proposal to spend \$859 million on I-70. Two amendments were offered, both of which reallocated part of the I-70 proposal to other projects. The first was in the amount of \$20 million to do all the environmental work on I-44. The second one moved \$28 million from I-70 to do work in the Springfield area and widen part of I-44.

Also on Thursday, the House Transportation Accountability Committee met and voted out [House Joint Resolution 37](#). Upon voter approval, this proposed Constitutional amendment would require that the State Road Fund be subject to appropriation by the General Assembly, rather than standing appropriated without legislative action. There was a great deal of discussion during the hearing about MoDOT's ability to do projects and the financial flexibility that the department needs to complete multi-year projects.

Finally, [Senate Bill 88](#) was heard in the Governmental Accountability Committee. This bill states that any person who has at least 3 years of work experience in an occupation or profession in another state that does not use a license to regulate that occupation or profession, may apply for a license in Missouri, with proof of experience, to the relevant oversight body. Within 45 days, the oversight body shall waive any examination, educational, or experience requirements for licensure.

We are less than two weeks away from our first Engineer's Day in the Missouri Capitol! Right now we have 58 people who have signed up and I am so excited to have so many engineers who are willing to take the time and make the voice of the industry heard. We will be meeting as a group with Lt. Governor Mike Kehoe, House Majority Floor Leader Jon Patterson and we will be introduced to the entire Missouri House of Representatives by Representative Don Mayhew, who is one of the Missouri Legislature's two licensed professional engineers. We will then break off as individuals and groups to meet with Legislators. A special thanks to Dennis Boll at Geotechnology, Chris Linneman at EFK Moen, Kati Horner Gonzalez at City of Blue Springs, and Travis Lowe at MSPE for their help in putting this together. To learn more and sign up to participate, please [click here](#). Also, if you haven't seen it yet, we have posted the "[Engineering Matters](#)" brochure that will be used on that day.

Finally, the [ACEC/MO Winter Meeting and EEA Banquet](#) will take place on March 2-3 in the beautiful Union Station Hotel in St. Louis. We are expecting a larger than normal turnout for the Awards banquet with 15 project submissions and will be joined by Ed Hassinger, Deputy Director of MoDOT. The Transportation Committee will hear an update from Jeff Glenn on transportation funding and I-70 as well as review the ACEC/MO proposed changes to the standard MoDOT contract. On the Environmental side, members will meet with Rich Unverferth of the Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District. To start the meeting off, members can tour new St. Louis City soccer stadium which was designed by ACEC/MO members Horner Shifrin, Inc. and Kimley-Horn and Associates. On Friday, we will get a Congressional overview from Dave Bender, ACEC Vice President of Political Affairs; and back by popular demand will be Greg Coker who will do a seminar on "Tapping Into the Flow" to increase work productivity and decision making.

UPCOMING EVENTS

ACEC/MO WINTER MEETING &
AWARDS BANQUET
MARCH 2-3, 2023 - ST. LOUIS

Register
Now!!

- Federal/State Grant Opportunities
- Consultant Advisory Committee
- Construction Letting Updates/Inflation Trends
- Design/Build Project Updates
- Miscellaneous Updates.

The next meeting is scheduled for May 25, 2023, at MoDOT in Jefferson City. 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 RFPs/RFQs Posted on ACEC/MO Website

The ACEC/MO website has been updated to include new RFPs / RFQs we recently received, and they are listed below. To see all the RFPs / RFQs posted, go to [ACEC/MO's website](#). We'll update you as we receive more RFPs / RFQs. *(Reminder: You will have to login to the Members Only Portal to get to the RFQ's.)*

- [City of Skidmore RFQ to Address Water, Stormwater & Wastewater System Improvements](#) - deadline to respond is **March 3, 2023**
- [Missouri Department of Transportation \(MoDOT\)](#) - multiple deadlines

Upcoming **EVENTS**

Registration Deadline Nears for ACEC/MO Winter Meeting & Awards Banquet on March 2-3

ACEC/MO's Winter Meeting & Awards Banquet is scheduled for **March 2-3, 2023**, at the **St. Louis Union Station Hotel** in **St. Louis**. Below is a brief schedule of events for the meeting. The detailed agenda and registration information are posted on [ACEC/MO's website](#). The early-bird deadline to register is February 15, 2023.

THURSDAY, MARCH 2, 2023

8:30 AM - Tour of St. Louis City SC's Stadium
10:00 AM - Registration for Winter Meeting
10:15 AM - Environmental Committee Meeting
10:15 AM - Transportation Committee Meeting
12:00 PM - Lunch & QBS Awards
1:15 PM - CEO Roundtable Discussion – Small/Medium Firms & Medium/Large Firms
6:00 PM - Awards Reception & Banquet

FRIDAY, MARCH 3, 2023

8:00 AM - Breakfast Program
9:15 AM - I Want a New Drug: Tapping into the Flow State Seminar
11:00 AM - Board of Directors / Membership Meeting



Other Upcoming ACEC/MO Meetings

Engineer's Day in the Missouri Capitol (*Joint with ACEC/MO, APWA, ASCE and MSPE*)

Date/Time/Location: **February 22, 2023 / 9:15 AM / Jefferson City**
Registration/Agenda: There is no cost to attend, but registration is required. [Click here](#) to register the Engineer's Day. [Click here](#) for more details on the meeting and to see the current list of registrants.

ACEC/MO DC Fly-In

Dates/Location: **March 27-28, 2023 / Washington, DC**
Registration/Agenda: ACEC/MO is working with ACEC National to set up appointments with congress. For more information or to sign up to receive future updates on the fly-in, [click here](#). RSVP'ing does not mean you are required to attend. For information on the sleeping room block at the hotel, [click here](#).

ACEC/MO & PSMJ A/E/C Project Management Bootcamp

Dates/Location: **April 5-6, 2023 / Columbia**
Registration/Agenda: [Click here](#) for detailed information on this exceptional program or to register. The early-bird deadline to register is *February 16, 2023*.

ACEC/MO Environmental & Energy Conference

Date/Time/Location: **April 14, 2023 / 9:45 AM / Jefferson City**
Agenda: ACEC/MO is working on finalizing speakers for this event and will send out registration information once details are finalized.

Calendar of Events

February 2023

Feb. 22 - Engineer's Day in the Missouri Capitol, Jefferson City

March 2023

Mar. 2-3 - ACEC/MO Winter Mtg. & Awards Banquet, St. Louis
Mar. 10-12 - ACEC EEA Judging, Chantilly, VA
Mar. 27-28 - ACEC/MO DC Fly-In, Washington, DC

April 2023

Apr. 5-6 - ACEC/MO & PSMJ A/E/C Project Management Bootcamp, Columbia
Apr. 14 - ACEC/MO Environmental & Energy Conference, Jefferson City

May 2023

May 1 - ACEC/MO 2nd Annual CECMO/PAC Golf Tournament, Sunrise Beach
May 15-16 - ACEC/MO Future Leaders Academy, Kansas City

June 2023

June 7-9 - ACEC Midwest States Conference, Springfield - **NEW DATES**
June 11-14 - ACEC Annual Convention & Legislative Summit, Washington, DC
June 15-16 - ACEC/MO Future Leaders Academy, St. Charles

July 2023

July 19-20 - ACEC/MO Future Leaders Academy, Columbia

August 2023

Aug. 23-24 - ACEC/MO Future Leaders Academy, Osage Beach
Aug. 24 - 7th Annual ACEC/PAC Golf Tournament, Osage Beach
Aug. 24-25 - ACEC/MO Summer Mtg. & Working Cmte. Session, Osage Beach

October 2023

Oct. 15-18 - ACEC Fall Conference, Austin, TX

November 2023

Nov. 2 - 2nd Annual ACEC/PAC Sporting Clays Tournament, Columbia

This meeting will be held at the MDNR Conference Center in Jefferson City. Please put April 14th on your calendar and plan to join us!!

ACEC/MO 2023 Future Leaders Academy

Dates/Locations: **May 15-16 - Kansas City; June 15-16 - St. Charles; July 19-20 - Columbia; & August 23-24 - Osage Beach**

Registration/Agenda: For more information on the FLA program, [click here](#). To register for the FLA program, [click here](#). We have 19 out of the 20 spots filled so if you want a spot in the 2023 class, contact DawnHill@acecmo.org to hold a spot for your firm.

ACEC Midwest States Conference

Date/Location: **June 7-9, 2023 / Springfield**

Agenda: ACEC/MO is finalizing the details but here is a preview of what is to come: Site Visit of the Lake Springfield Master Plan; ACEC/PAC Fundraiser at BigShots Golf; Reception/Dinner with Springfield Improv as entertainment; Thirsty Thursday at Springfield Cardinals Baseball Game; CEO Roundtable Discussions; Why Engineers Need to Show Up Panel Discussion; ACEC Members Filling the Engineering Pipeline Panel Discussion; ACEC State Meetings; and additional speakers and seminars. The conference will be held at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel, 2431 N. Glenstone Avenue, Springfield, MO 65803. Call 417-831-3131 and refer to our group code "MSC" to get our group rate of \$119.00 single/double. You can also reserve your room [online](#). The deadline to reserve your room is *Monday, May 22, 2023*.

INDUSTRY NEWS



Water Protection Program

Public Notice of Regulatory Impact Report for Water Protection Program Rules in Development

The Missouri Department of Natural Resources has published a Regulatory Impact Report for proposed revisions to the Missouri Clean Water Commission regulations listed below. The report is required for rules prescribing environmental standards or conditions. A public comment period for this report is open February 10, 2023, through April 10, 2023.

The Regulatory Impact Report is available online using the Regulatory Action Tracking System, or RATS, at <https://apps5.mo.gov/proposed-rules/welcome.action#OPEN>.

Clean Water Commission regulation:
10 CSR 20-6.030 Disposal of Wastewater in Residential Housing Developments.

Comments will be accepted until 5 p.m. April 10, 2023, by email to Michael Abbott, michael.abbott@dnr.mo.gov, by mail at Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Water Protection Program, ATTN:

Nov. 2-3 - ACEC/MO Fall Mtg., Columbia

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

MEMBER NEWS

Member News

AECOM announced that it has achieved the No. 1 ranking on Fortune magazine's list of the World's Most Admired Companies in its industry for a third year, including ranking No. 1 in each of the list's nine criteria. This is the ninth consecutive year that the Company has been recognized on the list.

Crawford, Murphy & Tilly, Inc. is pleased to announce the following: **Brian Eads, P.E., PTOE**, has been named the Traffic Practice Lead in their St. Louis office; and **Darren Condron**, joined the firm as a construction engineering technician in their Springfield office.

GBA, Inc. is proud to announce the promotion of **Clint Loumaster, P.E., LEED AP**, to Civil Department Lead after Brad Burton, department lead for 38 years, will transition to part-time status.

HR Green, Inc. announces an office relocation and expansion in St. Louis to serve clients and growing staff. The new office is located at 520 Maryville Centre Drive, Suite 100, St. Louis, MO 63141. The phone number remains the same: (636) 519-0990.

Klingner & Associates, P.C. is pleased to congratulate **Jonathan Massner, EI**, on becoming an FAA-certified drone

Michel Abbott, P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0176, or by RATS at the link above. Contact information in all comments should include your name, email address and phone number. Please confine your comments to the RIR only.

ACEC to Highlight 2023 National Engineers Week Tributes by Members Organizations, Firms

ACEC will eagerly promote 2023 National Engineers Week activities by both Member Organizations and Member Firms occurring throughout Engineers Week (February 19-25). In addition to appearing daily in the *Last Word* blog, recognition of member E-Week activities will be featured as part of ACEC's award-winning *Engineering Influence Podcast*, on ACEC's social media, and in a special Engineers Week report in an upcoming *Engineering Inc.* magazine.

We are looking to share any E-week activity including local events, social media posts, local advertising, videos, Zoom events, radio and tv public service announcements, and community events. If your Member Organization or Member Firm plans to celebrate the national importance of engineers during the upcoming 2023 E-week celebration, please submit any text, photos, videos or links to your resources by [clicking here](#). You can also directly contact either [Alan D. Crockett](#) or [Andrea Keeney](#) to submit your E-week content.

Each year, Engineers Week shines a spotlight on our industry and the critical role that engineers play in our quality of life, safety, and economic prosperity. Founded in 1951 by the National Society of Professional Engineers, Engineers Week is dedicated to ensuring a diverse and well-educated future engineering workforce by increasing understanding of, and interest in engineering and technology careers.

Please join us in celebrating how engineers make a difference in our world and help increase public awareness of the essential value of engineers to students, educators, legislators, and parents.

operator. He will help support inspection and surveying missions throughout Iowa, Illinois, and Missouri.

McClure is pleased to announce that **Colton Demesko** has joined McClure's Development team in Kansas City as a Staff Engineer.

TREKK Design Group, LLC is pleased to welcome the following staff to their St. Louis office: **Michael Brown, P.E.**, as their new Transportation Market Lead; and **Erica Ridgway, P.E.**, as their Civil Market Lead and will focus on expanding our local civil practice.

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