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

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- **Member Information & Calendar** (*Member Renewals for 2021-2022; State and National PAC Contributions Recognized; 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 would love to hear from you!

ACEC/MO President's Report

Last night I realized that summer is almost over as my wife presented me with the school supply list for our kids this year. Summer is almost over, and before we know it we will have leaves turning colors, snow falling and entering the next state legislative session.

Last week our PAC Trustees held a Zoom call to determine individuals who would receive a donation from our State Political Action Committee. Advocacy is priority #1 here at ACEC/MO and raising money and supporting candidates is part of advocacy. We reviewed several criteria, including voting records that align with ACEC/MO priorities and values, committee assignments and geographic location. This summer/fall, we will be supporting the following individuals in the Missouri Senate: Hough, Rowden, Brown, Schatz, Rizzo and Razer. In the Missouri House we will be supporting Vescovo, Plocher, Ruth, Griesheimer, Eggleston, Quade, Porter, Fitzwater, Christofanelli, Hovis and Bromley. It was also decided that ACEC/MO will support Lt. Governor Mike Kehoe with a donation as well.

In hopes of bolstering ACEC/MO's presence in the Missouri State Capitol, your Board of Directors approved its staff starting a golf tournament to benefit the State PAC. We are considering playing at The Club at Porto Cima in May of 2022. Porto Cima is a private golf course and one of the most popular places in Missouri to play. We have already started seeking sponsors to make this event a reality and thank you to [Anderson Engineering, Inc.](#), [Burns & McDonnell](#); [Crawford, Murphy & Tilly, Inc.](#), and [GBA, Inc.](#) and for being the initial sponsors. If you would like to be a sponsor, please contact me at morganmundell@acecmo.org for more information.



In case you missed it earlier this week, the attempt to put a referendum on SB262 has been abandoned. There was a follow up story in the Missouri Times which can be read [here](#). And while on the subject of SB262, I have had a number of requests asking for a listing of those who voted yes on the legislation. ACEC/MO staff created a listing on our website located [here](#).

Discussions on a federal infrastructure bill continue to move forward. The Kansas City Star published an article this week outlining that Missouri could receive around **\$8 billion in funding** if approved. ACEC National has provided the membership with a summary of the bipartisan infrastructure proposal [here](#).

Also, last week I attended the ACEC National – Great Lakes Region meetings. Leadership from other ACEC state member organizations attended, and we discussed various issues surrounding infrastructure funding, PPP and governance of state organizations and the relationship between state MO's and National. It was an incredibly productive meeting, and I was incredibly fortunate to have the opportunity to speak with the President/CEO's of other state organizations.

We are three weeks out from the ACEC/MO Summer Meeting. We are excited that Ray McCarty, Executive Director of [Associated Industries of Missouri](#) will be speaking at the breakfast on Friday morning. Ray will cover pro-business bills that passed this last legislative session and give a forecast of what is to come in future sessions. And Representative [Becky Ruth](#), Chair of the Missouri House Transportation Committee will be speaking at lunch. It should be a great meeting at [Margaritaville Lake Resort](#) and I look forward to the opportunity to meet you in person. Come join us for a great, relaxing meeting!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Register for ACEC/MO's 5th Annual ACEC/PAC Golf Tournament & Summer Meeting on August 26-27



There is still time to register for ACEC/MO's 5th Annual ACEC/PAC Golf Tournament and ACEC/MO's Summer Meeting & Working Committee Session. The events will be held on **August 26-27, 2021**, in **Osage Beach, MO**. ACEC/MO is committed to providing you with all the networking, and industry content you have come to expect and we're glad we get to do it in-person once again. The meeting will feature our annual ACEC/PAC Golf Tournament, an evening full of fun and networking, great speakers, committee meetings, and our quarterly board of directors / membership meeting.

To see the complete agenda and/or to register for the golf tournament or for the summer meeting, click on the links below or go to [ACEC/MO's website](#). The deadline to register is **August 12, 2021**. More information on locations for the golf tournament and the summer meeting are on our website. A list of sponsors for the tournament and meeting are posted on our [meeting website](#). Please help us thank these sponsors!

[View Full Schedule of Events](#)

[Register for Golf Tournament](#)

[Register for Summer Meeting](#)

INDUSTRY NEWS

EPA Training Opportunity: Introduction to Cybersecurity Virtual Workshops

Cyber-attacks are striking critical infrastructure across the United States, including water and wastewater systems, with increasing frequency. Recent cyber-attacks on water and wastewater



systems have manipulated treatment processes, disabled process control and business enterprise systems, and stolen proprietary data. Cybersecurity best practices and incident response planning can prevent or mitigate many of these attacks and are essential to the sound operation and management of water and wastewater systems.

The U.S. EPA is sponsoring a series of free virtual workshops on water sector cybersecurity. These workshops consist of two half-days. The first day will give water and wastewater systems current information on cyber threats and risk drivers, resources to bolster cybersecurity, and key findings from cyber vulnerability assessments of water and wastewater systems. The second day will lead participants through incident response exercises for cyber-attacks on water and wastewater systems. The overall goal is for participants to identify planning and procedural actions that enhance cybersecurity and mitigate risk in their systems.

The U.S. EPA is offering three different opportunities to participate in this workshop. Workshop participation is open to water and wastewater systems, government officials, and others involved in water sector cybersecurity. Continuing education credits have been applied for in all 50 states. Participants must attend both days in full to receive the credits.

Workshop Dates, Times, and Registration Links:

September 15, 2021 (12:00-3:30 pm CST) & September 16, 2021 (12:00-4:00 pm CST) Registration Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYlceGoqzMrG9cnIe7rS-dGWrCCY7hwa1rA>

October 13, 2021 (12:00-3:30 pm CST) & October 14, 2021 (12:00-4:00 pm CST) Registration Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZluf-isrj0iHNwVAmh_ovAPmR6aXnMul4Tp

November 3, 2021 (12:00-3:30 pm CST) & November 4, 2021 (12:00-4:00 pm CST) Registration Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZctcu2srTwpE90p1Fexz7JZmZF-vJO5jX4F>

New RFPs/RFQs Posted on ACEC/MO Website

The ACEC/MO website has been updated to include new RFPs/RFQs we recently received from the City of Ozark and MoDOT. To see the new RFPs/RFQs recently posted, please go to our [website](#). We try to update information posted on our website weekly, so please check it often.



Engineering Influence Podcast: A Conversation with ACEC Chair Robin Greenleaf

ACEC Chair Robin Greenleaf, CEO of Architectural Engineers, Inc. in Boston, came on the ACEC Engineering Influence podcast to talk infrastructure, the PPP/credits clause issue, ACEC Coalitions, and much more. Click [here](#) to listen to the podcast.



MEMBER INFORMATION & CALENDAR

Member Renewals for 2021-2022

Thank you to the following member and associate member firms that have renewed since we our last weekly update. Thank you for your recent membership renewal and your investment in ACEC/MO for the 2021-2022 year. Your support allows us to remain committed to you as the business voice of the engineering industry.



MEMBER FIRMS:

Allgeier, Martin & Associates, Inc. • Anderson Engineering, Inc. • Bob D. Campbell & Company, Inc. • Crawford, Murphy & Tilly, Inc. • Engineering Design Source, Inc. • Hg Consult, Inc. • HR Green, Inc. • Lee Engineering & Associates, LL • Lochmueller Group • Milestone Engineering, Inc. • Poepping, Stone, Bach & Associates, Inc. • Shannon & Wilson, Inc. • Volkert, Inc.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS:

ACEC Life/Health Insurance Trust • Brown Smith Wallace • Delta Companies, Inc. • Hinkle Law Firm, LLC

State and National PAC Contributions Recognized

ACEC/MO and ACEC National have started receiving PAC contributions from members based on emails sent out in July on committee assignments. So far, we've received \$25,212.09 for the state PAC and \$5,850.00 for the national PAC. Below is a list of contributors to date. A huge THANK YOU goes to the following firms and individuals who have already contributed. If you are not listed below and want to contribute to the state and national PAC, please go to our [website](#) for more information as well as a current list of state and national PAC contributions.



STATE PAC CONTRIBUTIONS

Members Firms:

Crawford, Murphy & Tilly, Inc. • Garver • Hg Consult, Inc. • Lochmueller Group • Shannon & Wilson, Inc.

Member Representatives:

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Calendar of Events

August 26, 2021 -- ACEC/MO 5th Annual ACEC/PAC Golf Tournament

August 26-27, 2021 -- ACEC/MO Summer Meeting

October 25, 2021 -- ACEC/MO EEA Project Entry Deadline

October 27-30, 2021 -- ACEC Fall Conference, Marco Island, FL

November 12, 2021 -- ACEC/MO Fall Meeting

May 2, 2022 - ACEC/MO 1st Annual PAC Golf Tournament



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