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

- **Industry News** (MDNR Public Drinking Water Fee Structure Workgroup; MDNR Clean Water Fee Stakeholder Meetings for 2020; MDNR Clean Water Fees Survey)
- **Notable Events** (MFTI Legislative Day Highlights; Registration Now Open for ACEC/MO's Winter Meeting & Awards Banquet; Register Today for ACEC Senior Executives Institute Class 26)
- **Member Information & Calendar** (Member News; Calendar of Events)

If there is something you would like us to include in the weekly updates, please contact the [ACEC/MO office](mailto:). We would love to hear your thoughts. Thanks!

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**INDUSTRY NEWS**

**MDNR Public Drinking Water Fee Structure Workgroup**

The MDNR Public Drinking Water Branch will begin hosting a stakeholder meeting on January 23, 2020, to initiate discussions about potential changes to the primacy fee, laboratory certification fees, and the laboratory services and program administration fee structures located in *[10 CSR 60-16](https://example.com)*.

**Section 640.100.8, RSMo.**, gives the Missouri Department of Natural Resources the authority to conduct a comprehensive review of these statutory fees and to develop proposed changes to the fee structure with stakeholder agreement. The goal of the stakeholder meetings is to review the fees listed above and decide upon a proposal to revise the fee structure through the rulemaking process. The proposal requires agreement among stakeholders and the approval of the Missouri Safe Drinking Water Commission prior to filing as a proposed rule. As the workgroup continues to move forward with reviewing the fee structure, updates to this website will show the workgroup's progress.

**Fee Background**: Missouri's legislature initially enacted the Public Drinking Water Primacy Fee and the Laboratory Services and Program Administration Fees in 1992 to establish a dedicated funding source to support the department's efforts to ensure adequate water that is safe to drink. The Primacy Fee provides funding necessary to implement the federal and state Safe
Drinking Water Act regulations and maintain delegation of the federal public drinking water program.

The current fee structure was revised in 2006 and was extended in 2012. The Primacy Fee and the Laboratory Services and Program Administration Fee are set in statute. These fees bring in approximately $4.9 million annually.

NOTE: The meetings for this workgroup will be livestreamed. You must have Adobe® Flash® Player and Adobe Connect installed on your computer to be able to view the live streaming broadcast. To see the livestream broadcast click the start button in the video window. An Adobe Connect window will open. Follow the instructions to install the Adobe Connect app on your PC.

MDNR Clean Water Fee Stakeholder Meetings for 2020

The MDNR Water Protection Program has scheduled a series of seven stakeholder meetings to discuss proposed changes to 10 CSR 20-6.011 Fees. The last fee changes/increases went into effect January 1, 2015, after extensive discussion with stakeholders and approval from the General Assembly. Current fee stakeholder meetings are scheduled at the Lewis and Clark State Office Building, LaCharrette/Nightingale Creek Conference Rooms, 1101 Riverside Drive, Jefferson City, MO, from 1 pm to 4 pm. The 2020 meeting dates are as follows:

- February 10, 2020
- March 10, 2020
- April 14, 2020
- May 12, 2020
- June 16, 2020
- July 21, 2020
- August 6, 2020

Meeting topics and an agenda will be provided prior to each meeting. These stakeholder discussions are an integral part of the rulemaking process and the Department anticipates attendance from individual citizens/citizen groups, industry, public/private organizations, regulated entities, and environmental organizations. Additional information can also be found on MDNR's website. For questions, please contact Chris Wieberg, Director, Water Protection Program, (573) 522-9912, or Chris.wieberg@dnr.mo.gov.

MDNR 2020 Clean Water Fees Survey

The MDNR Water Protection Program, Water Pollution Control Branch, is asking for your feedback prior to starting the Clean Water Fees meetings (announced in a GovDelivery posting 1/6/20). A survey has been developed to help the Department determine where individual citizens/citizen groups, industry, public/private organizations, regulated entities, environmental organizations and municipal utility advocacy groups stand on changes to 10 CSR 20-6.011 Fees. Your comments on the survey will help the Department inform decisions made regarding Clean Water fee increases.

Here is a link to the survey: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VX5NJ7T. The survey should take approximately 15-20 minutes to complete and will be open from now through February 18th. If you have any questions please contact Chris Wieberg, Director, Water Protection Program, 573-522-9912, or Chris.wieberg@dnr.mo.gov.
MFTI Legislative Day Highlights


Members discuss transportation funding with House Transportation Committee Chair Rep. Becky Ruth.
Registration Now Open for ACEC/MO's Winter Meeting & Awards Banquet

Make plans now to attend ACEC/MO's Winter Meeting & Awards Banquet on **February 28-29, 2020** at the **DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel** in **Chesterfield, MO**. The schedule of events is listed below and registration information was recently sent out. Hotel information is listed on the registration information as well as on our [website](#). This will be another great networking meeting that you don't want to miss out on. We hope to see you on February 28th & 29th in Chesterfield!

**Friday, February 28th**
- 9:45 a.m. - Board of Directors / Membership Meeting
- 12:00 p.m. - Lunch / QBS Awards / Speaker: *Senator Bill Eigel*
- 2:00 p.m. - The Leadership Tax Seminar *(speaker: Stephen Long, PhD, Motere Consulting)*
- 6:30 p.m. - Local Color Night at Topgolf in Chesterfield

**Saturday, February 29th**
- 7:30 a.m. - Breakfast / Speaker: Don Booth, Archaeologist, SCI Engineering, Inc.
- 9:00 a.m. - Critical Business Issues Roundtable
- 6:00 p.m. - Design Excellence Reception
- 7:00 p.m. - Awards Banquet *(includes comedian Devin Henderson)*

**SPONSORS:**
Associate Members have the opportunity to be a sponsor for the Design Excellence Reception and member firms have the opportunity to be a sponsor for the Awards Banquet. Below is a list
of Associate Members and member firms that have agreed to be a sponsor. If you are an Associate Member and would like to be a sponsor, click HERE for more information. Member firms that want to be a sponsor, click HERE for more information.

**Design Excellence Reception Sponsors:**

- **Patron Sponsors:** Greyling, a division of EPIC, broker for the ACEC Business Insurance Trust; RubinBrown, LLP; and Seiler Geospatial - Seiler Design Solutions

**Awards Banquet Sponsors:**

- **Platinum Sponsor:** Bartlett & West, Inc.
- **Gold Sponsors:** GBA; HDR Engineering, Inc.; Walter P Moore
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**Register Today for ACEC Senior Executives Institute Class 26**

Registration is now open for Class 26 of the Senior Executives Institute (SEI), ACEC’s premier leadership development course for design professionals. The five-session program will begin in September 2020 in Washington, D.C. Class size is limited to 28 executives. For more information or to register today, go to their website; send an email to Katie Goodman or call 202-682-4332.

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**MEMBER INFORMATION & CALENDAR**

**Member News**

- **Crawford, Murphy & Tilly, Inc.** would like to welcome Celia Lamprecht, their new Water Resources Engineer in their Kansas City, MO office. Her special skills include Hydraulic Hec-RAS modeling, Hydrologic Hec-HMS modeling and Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) floodplain mapping.

- **Geotechnology, Inc.** announced that Pam Hobbs was recently installed as the incoming president of the St. Louis Post of SAME (Society of American Military Engineers).

- **HNTB Corporation** announced that Mark Grossenbacher, PE, has been elected to the Board of Directors for Citizens for Modern Transit and he will serve a 3-year term. He has more than 35 years of experience providing civil engineering and project management services for the design and construction of highway, interchange, bridge and transit projects in Missouri, Illinois and Virginia.

- **HR Green, Inc.** is delighted to announce that Dave Maxwell, PE, SE, has been promoted to the role of Highways Practice Leader in their Transportation Business Line. As a Practice Leader, he will be directly involved in Highways' approach to the market and pursuit strategy in each region. His primary focus is to strengthen the regional marketing approach and improve project delivery processes.

- **Klingner & Associates, P.C.** is pleased to announce that Jack DeCamp, from their Columbia, MO, office, has become a registered Engineer Intern with the Missouri Division of Professional
Registration. He has provided mechanical and electrical design assistance on a number of project.

TranSystems announced the promotion of Shawn Turner, PE, to senior vice president and principal of the firm. Turner joined the firm in 2006 and has experience in all facets of municipal engineering, including streets, ADA compliance, utilities, and facilities.

Calendar of Events

February 28-29, 2020 - Winter Meeting & Awards Banquet, Chesterfield
March 4-5, 2020 - Future Leaders Academy, Jefferson City
April 8-9, 2020 - Future Leaders Academy, St. Louis
April 26-29, 2020 - ACEC Annual Convention & Legislative Summit, Washington, DC
May 13-14, 2020 - Future Leaders Academy, Independence
June 7-9, 2020 - ACEC Midwest States Conference, Branson
August 21, 2020 - Summer Meeting, Columbia
November 13, 2020 - Fall Meeting, Columbia

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