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

- **Industry News** *(MDNR Stakeholder Meeting Announcement; ACEC Post-Election Briefing; New RFPs/RFQs on ACEC/MO Website; Have a Fear of Missing Out? RPM Can Ensure You Won't)*

- **COVID-19 News** *(Covering Coronavirus: Risk Management & Employee Benefits Considerations; Do Amenities Still Matter in a Post-COVID-19 World?)*

- **Notable Events** *(Don't Miss a Chance to Win a Prize at ACEC/MO's Virtual Fall Meeting ACEC/PAC Raffle; Secure Your Seat for the First Ever Virtual ACEC National Engineering Excellence Awards; Registration is Open for ACEC/MO's 2021 Future Leaders Academy)*

- **Member Information & Calendar** *(QBS Nominations Wanted; 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: Bruce Wylie ([BruceWylie@acecmo.org](mailto:BruceWylie@acecmo.org)) or Dawn Hill ([DawnHill@acecmo.org](mailto:DawnHill@acecmo.org)). We would love to hear from you!

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**INDUSTRY NEWS**

**MDNR Stakeholder Meeting Announcement**

The following rule will be discussed at the virtual stakeholder meeting **Thursday, November 19, 2020**, from 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM.

- 10 CSR 20-8.300 Design of Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations

The Missouri Department of Natural Resources has identified 10 CSR 20-8.300 for a potential rulemaking amendment and will be holding a stakeholder meeting to discuss changes.

The health and safety of all visitors to state office buildings are priority. Due to concerns regarding novel coronavirus, or COVID-19, participants of the meeting will be required to attend via Webex using the link below or via telephone conference at the number below.

**Join Webex Meeting**

Meeting number (access code): 177 509 5901

**Meeting password: DNR**

Join by phone 1-650-479-3207
This workgroup has been convened for the purpose of informal and voluntary public participation and discussions regarding the development of this rule prior to initiating formal rulemaking. The following link is to the draft proposed rule amendment for discussion at this stakeholder meeting: Water Protection Program Rule Development. If you have any questions please contact Cindy LePage at cindy.lepage@dnr.mo.gov.

ACEC’s Post-Election Briefing

ACEC National began preparing for a potential shift in power long before Election Day and made strategic investments to ensure the interests of our member firms would be heard by a new Administration. We brought on Heather Podesta of Invariant, an established lobbyist with deep ties to the Democratic Party, to help ACEC with strategic engagement. This effort will enhance our advocacy while we build upon existing relationships with leaders such as House T&I Committee Chairman Peter DeFazio and expand our tent to include the new incoming House freshmen from both sides of the aisle.

Our analysis of the 2020 election and what will come next has already started. Last Friday, ACEC hosted a Post-Election Briefing with Invariant’s Mary Beth Stanton and Matt Keelen, Founder and President of the Keelen Group. That discussion can be seen here.

New RFPs/RFQs on ACEC/MO Website

The ACEC/MO website has been updated to include new RFPs/RFQs we recently received from MoDOT. To see the all new RFPs/RFQs we posted, please go to our website. We update this page on our website as soon as we receive new information to post so please check it often for new RFPs/RFQs.

Have a Fear of Missing Out? RPM Can Ensure You Won’t

by Adam McMillen, IMEG Corp

Owners too often miss out on significant energy and cost-saving features by assuming they are out of budget or deferring decisions until after construction is underway. However, an early analysis of a building’s MEP and other key systems – known as rapid performance modeling or “RPM” – can help owners understand the big decisions that will define their building’s performance from the very beginning.

RPM occurs during concept and/or schematic design phases and pairs quick modeling studies with timely design guidance for key features like building insulation and mass, glazing and shading passive strategies, and HVAC and lighting systems. It prioritizes the most impactful analyses that produce actionable results within a focused two- to three-week period.

IMEG recently provided RPM for UW Health’s East Campus ambulatory care and outpatient clinic in Madison, WI, a 460,000-sf facility originally on a fast track schedule. To achieve the owner’s goals of LEED [...]
Covering Coronavirus: Risk Management & Employee Benefits Considerations
by EPIC Insurance Brokers & Consultants

The global COVID-19 (coronavirus) pandemic remains both dynamic and fluid. We continue to see unprecedented disruptions at home and abroad. In this issue, we take a focused look at the below topics. To see the complete issue, click here.

1. FTSA Extends HME STA Exemption Through End of Year
2. Cargo Theft Spikes Continue
3. FMCSA Outlines Plan for Service Relief, New Pilot Programs
4. Renewed Effort to Secure Pandemic Insurance for the Entertainment Industry
5. Surprising Effect of the Pandemic on Live Events
6. How the Pandemic is Impacting M&A Activity
7. Cybercrime Puts Hospitals in the Crosshairs
8. OSHA Levies More Than $1.6 Million in Fines
9. CDC Releases Guidelines for Celebrating Thanksgiving Safely
10. Updated Assistance on Monitoring States’ Pandemic Guidance

Employment Law and Benefits Update
Webinar Presented by EPIC and Berliner Cohen
December 8, 2020 and January 13, 2021 | 9:30 AM to 12:00 PM PT
Learn More and Register Today!

Visit epicbrokers.com/coronavirus to catch up on all our coverage.

Do Amenites Still Matter in a Post-COVID-19 World?
by Despina Katsikakis, Cushman & Wakefield

Over the past decade amenities in and around office buildings have grown in quantity, popularity and creativity. The proliferation of office amenities was the outcome of several trends coalescing into a perfect storm of office real estate transformation: stiff competition for in-demand talent, supply-demand mismatch in employment, demographic shifts, higher-than-ever expectations from users, technological advances changing how and where work can be done, and a wealth of new, high-quality office development.

However, in today's environment, the new challenge for employers and landlords is how to create environments that attract workers back into the office. The office—its workspaces, amenities and services—will need to be redesigned to support employees' evolving needs.

In this article, we look at:

- How to create environments that attract workers back into the office
- What the future of work looks like
- How the pandemic will impact the office real estate market
- What changes will be implemented in a post-COVID-19 world

To read the full article, click here.
NOTABLE EVENTS

Don’t Miss a Chance to Win a Prize at ACEC/MO’s Virtual Fall Meeting ACEC/PAC Raffle

During ACEC/MO’s Virtual Fall Meeting on Friday, November 13th, we will have our annual ACEC/PAC Raffle. Prizes we are raffling off include:

- Golf for 4 at Columbia Country Club in Columbia
- Golf for 4 at Meadowbrook Country Club in St. Louis
- Two $100 Amazon Gift Cards.

Raffle tickets are $50 each. We'll do the drawing during our Networking Happy Hour on November 13th. For a chance to win one of 4 prizes, click here. (You don't have to be present at the meeting to win.)

Secure Your Seat for the First Ever Virtual ACEC National Engineering Excellence Awards

The ACEC National "academy awards" of the engineering industry is coming to you as an online live broadcast for the first time on December 1st at 2:00 PM. The EEA Gala broadcast will be a 75-minute celebration of the most outstanding projects of the year made available to a much broader audience than possible at our in-person event. The virtual event allows us to attract the engagement of potential clients, agency officials, Members of Congress and influencers across the infrastructure space.

Tickets for the awards event are only $40. Register today!

Registration is Open for ACEC/MO’s 2021 Future Leaders Academy

Does your firm have a candidate for ACEC/MO's 2021 Future Leaders Academy (FLA)? Registration for the 5th Annual FLA program is now open. The dates for the 2021 FLA program are set for May 4-5 in Jefferson City; June 2-3 in St. Louis; and July 6-7 in Independence.

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 was recently emailed out and is posted on our website. To register for the 2021 FLA Program, click on the "Register Now for ACEC/MO’s 2021 Future Leaders Academy" link below. If you want a spot in the 2021 class, please send in your registration form or contact Dawn Hill at 573-634-4080 or DawnHill@acecmo.org.
QBS Nominations Wanted

The ACEC/MO QBS Award was established to recognize outstanding support of the Qualifications-Based Selection procedures. The contributions can be 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 website for a nomination form if you want to submit them for an award.

The deadline to submit a nomination form is December 31, 2020. The award will be given at ACEC/MO's Winter Meeting on February 5, 2021 in Chesterfield.

Member News

McClure is pleased to announce the following staff additions to their North Kansas City office: Lance Johnson joined the firm as a team leader; and Philip Rogers joined the firm as staff engineer for the Development Team.

Ross & Baruzzini, Inc. is excited to announce that Sarah Miner has been promoted to Marketing Coordinator. Sarah joined the firm over a year ago as a Corporate Coordinator.

Calendar of Events

November 13, 2020 -- ACEC/MO Virtual Fall Meeting
February 5-6, 2021 -- ACEC/MO Winter Meeting & Awards Banquet
April 25-28, 2021 -- ACEC Annual Convention & Legislative Summit, Washington, DC
May 4-5, 2021 -- ACEC/MO Future Leaders Academy, Jefferson City
June 2-3, 2021 -- ACEC/MO Future Leaders Academy, St. Louis
July 6-7, 2021 -- ACEC/MO Future Leaders Academy, Independence
August 23, 2021 -- ACEC/MO 5th Annual ACEC/PAC Golf Tournament, Columbia

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