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

- **Past & Future Events** (ACEC/MO 2020 Future Leaders Academy; ACEC/MO 2020 Winter Meeting & Awards Banquet; Consultant / MoDOT Project Manager Meet & Greet; MoDOT Alternative Delivery Meeting; 62nd Annual Missouri S&T Asphalt Pavement Conference)

- **ACEC National Highlights** (ACEC 2018-2019 Annual Report Highlights)

- **Government Agency Info** (New RFPs / RFQs Posted on Website; MDNR Wastewater Regionalization Incentive Grant; St. Louis Construction Guidelines)

- **Member Information & Calendar** (More Member Renewals & PAC Contributions; New Member Firm Welcomed; Calendar of Events)

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

**PAST & FUTURE EVENTS**

**ACEC/MO 2020 Future Leaders Academy**

The deadline to register for ACEC/MO’s 2020 Future Leaders Academy (FLA) is **January 3, 2020**. The FLA program will be held on March 4-5, 2020, in Jefferson City; April 8-9, 2020 in St. Louis; and May 13-14, 2020 in Independence. To see our current list of speakers, a list of members registered for the program, and more details on the program, go to ACEC/MO’s [website](http://example.com). This program is limited to 20 registrants and is filling up fast. Register now to get your spot held!

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**ACEC/MO's 2020 Winter Meeting & Awards Banquet**

Make plans now to attend ACEC/MO's 2020 Winter Meeting & Awards Banquet. It is scheduled for February 28-29, 2020 and will be held at the DoubleTree by Hilton in Chesterfield. We are confirming speakers and programs for the meeting and this will be another great networking meeting to attend. We'll send out registration information once the details are finalized.
Consultant / MoDOT Project Manager Meet & Greet

For the past several years, MoDOT’s St. Louis District has invited the consultant community to participate in a collaborative meeting with their project managers and leadership. MoDOT asks their Project Managers to play an active part in this presentation; having them discuss the STIP opportunities that will be going to consultants over the next year, and asking them to be available after the meeting for introductions and discussions. Likewise, ACEC/MO makes a brief presentation on our key initiatives for the coming year.

Please plan to attend on November 12th from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. at Missouri Department of Transportation’s Transportation Management Center (TMC), 14301 South Outer 40 Road, Chesterfield, MO 63017, in Conference Room 209. (Please note this is a new location from last year.) An agenda will be forthcoming as the presentation gets closer. In the interest of space, a limit of two (2) people per firm is suggested, however RSVPs are not necessary.

MoDOT Alternative Project Delivery Forum Meeting

Missouri Alternative Project Delivery Forum Meeting - A small committee of ACEC/MO members met with MoDOT and AGC on November 4th to discuss the following: review APD history in Missouri (design-build); discuss review of other DOT APD forums; schedule and framework for meetings; and upcoming potential APD projects.

62nd Annual Missouri S&T Asphalt Conference

The 62nd Annual Missouri S&T Asphalt Conference will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, December 3-4, 2019, at the Missouri University of Science & Technology in Rolla, Missouri. They have a great list of presentations set up for the conference and Personal Development Hours (PDHs) will be awarded.

For conference program information go to http://asphalt.mst.edu/ or contact Dr. Dave Richardson, Conference Director (573-341-4487; richarddd@mst.edu) and for registration information contact Professional & Continuing Education, 216 Centennial Hall, Rolla, MO, 65409 (573-341-4200; pce@mst.edu). If you are interested in being a sponsor or an exhibitor, please contact Michelle Wiginton at wigintonm@mst.edu or 573-341-4835.
**New RFPs / RFQs Posted on Website**

ACEC/MO recently updated our website to include new RFPs / RFQs that we received. To see the new information we posted, go to our [website](#).

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**MDNR Wastewater Regionalization Incentive Grant**

The Missouri Department of Natural Resources is accepting applications for the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Regionalization Incentive Grant, beginning October 31, 2019, through December 31, 2019. This grant will make available six million dollars in 2020, to municipalities for projects to connect and accept wastewater from publicly or privately-owned facilities that are struggling to meet clean water regulations. Eligible recipients may use the grants for planning, designing and constructing sewer extensions. This is a competitive grant opportunity. The Department will evaluate applications based on receiving stream characteristics, need for regionalization, readiness to proceed, financial need, prior lending history with the Department, and the compliance status of the facility to be connected.

All municipalities, as defined by 40 CFR 35.2005(27), in Missouri are eligible. Only a municipality proposing to build the connection for the purpose of receiving wastewater from another facility may apply for the grant. Treatment plant upgrades or construction of a new treatment plant, or projects designed for future development are not eligible. Projects funded through this grant will provide an economic boost in their region and reduce the number of point sources releasing pollutants to the State’s waterways. To learn more about the Regionalization Grant, click [HERE](#).

For more information about the application process, contact the Department’s Financial Assistance Center at 573-751-1192 or [fac@dnr.mo.gov](mailto:fac@dnr.mo.gov).

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**St. Louis Construction Guidelines**

Members of the Construction Alliance (ACEC/MO, AIA-St. Louis, AGCMO, CSI-STL, IFMA-St. Louis and SLCCC) meet bi-monthly to continually update the guidelines to keep pace with current industry practices. The Construction Guidelines are housed on the AGC of Missouri’s [website](#) under the Member Resources tab. Each month the Construction Alliance features a specific Construction Guideline for participants in the industry to review and provide any comments, thoughts, suggested updates or edits, etc. We encourage you to send your thoughts on this month's featured guideline (see below) to Denise Hasty.

- Listing Key Subcontractors/Suppliers as Apparent Low Bidders

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**ACEC NATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS**

**ACEC 2018-2019 Annual Report Highlights**

ACEC recently released its Annual Report for 2018-2019 and the publication explains the new focus for the Council. The Council plans to help member firms navigate a contentious political climate, and technology revolution that challenges both professional best practices and business operations. Below are key areas ACEC has focused on in the past and will continue to do so.
**ADVOCATING**

In 2019, ACEC sent out a member survey and firms most value the advocacy program. In 2018, ACEC’s advocacy agenda focused heavily on infrastructure as well as promoting QBS; contracting out; and a renewed focus on issues impacting private market work. Looking ahead, ACEC’s legislative agenda for 2020 includes:

- A Robust Infrastructure Agenda;
- Resilient, Sustainable Solutions to Climate Change;
- Innovation & Competitiveness;
- A Robust, Sustainable Energy Agenda;
- Water & Environmental Protection;
- Supporting Federal, State & Local Government;
- Workforce Development; and
- Global Leader in Engineering Services.

**ACEC/PAC**

Powering the engineering industry’s legislative agenda, ACEC/PAC remains the largest PAC in the design profession and ranks in the top 2 percent among all trade association PACs. Funded by engineering professionals throughout the nation, ACEC/PAC supports campaigns of U.S. House and Senate candidates who advocate for policies and legislation favorable to the engineering industry. In the first half of 2019, ACECPAC raised $526,593 and is on track to top $1 million for the fourth consecutive year.

**COLLABORATING**

Closer collaboration between ACEC National and ACEC Member Organizations has already built a stronger federation. ACEC’s new leadership embarked on a nationwide listening tour to understand the concerns of the Member Organizations. ACEC then launched several new initiatives including:

- Supporting Member Organizations with critical member recruitment, retention and fundraising resources necessary for success;
- Established a stronger communications link through monthly calls and updates allowing more effective coordination between National and Member Organizations on key legislative and regulatory issues;
- Contracted with a nationally known expert on association business development to boost training and orientation sessions to help strengthen MO growth efforts.

**COALITIONS, COUNCILS & FORUMS**

More than 700 ACEC Member Firms participate in ACEC’s seven coalitions, in which firms in the same practice area or size share knowledge and best practices to enhance their operations and improve their profitability. Coalition members are among the most active in ACEC. In 2018, Coalition leaders updated their strategic goals, focusing on improving membership and member engagement and enhancing business practices and education. To see more about ACEC’s Coalitions, click [HERE](#).

**PRIVATE MARKETS**

In 2018, private market construction spending reached a record $1 trillion. Private markets account for 77 percent of total U.S. construction spending. Given their importance for member firms, ACEC substantially increased its focus on the private markets over the past year. The Council as produced a steady stream of research reports to help member firms identify business opportunities and thrive in the private market sector. A market-focused Public-Private Partnerships issue highlights the biggest P3 trends, states active in P3s, and top clients. The Annual Economic Outlook and quarterly economic reviews examine the 5 top macroeconomic trends in 2019, construction and A/E revenue data, information on state economic momentum, and an outlook and analysis around private-sector markets.
EDUCATING
ACEC educates for success at every career stage, helping members grow, protect their firms, and learn where to find new business and market opportunities. ACEC’s Leadership Education Ladder, designed to develop members’ business and executive skills at every career stage, was fully subscribed to in 2019. Other programs ACEC offers include: Business of Design Consulting; Pathways to Executive Leadership; Senior Executives Institute (SEI); as well as over 100 online classes and over 200 on-demand classes available for download.

CELEBRATING
ACEC member firms entered a record 196 projects in the 2019 Engineering Excellence Awards (EEA), topping the previous high of 170 set in 2015. More than 750 members and guests - an all-time high - attended the EEA Gala to celebrate the year’s finest engineering achievements. Thirty-three students vied for eight scholarships; Thirty-two member firm employees entered the Young Professionals of the Year Award program and give were celebrated for their early-career accomplishments; and Member Organizations nominated 10 members for the Community Service Award with five award winners being recognized.

COMMUNICATING
The new Engineering Influence Podcast features interviews with industry leaders and key stakeholders. The addition of Jeff Urbanchuk as Director, Strategic Communications, bolsters ACEC’s advocacy capabilities. A former Deputy Communications Director for the House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee, Urbanchuk will strengthen emphasis on the engineering industry’s key priorities to the new Congress and the public through effective communications and media engagement. In the Association of Marketing and Communication Professionals (AMCP) Awards program, Engineering Inc. won platinum awards for the May/June and July/August issues, and Last Word won a platinum award for its coverage of the ACEC Convention. ACEC’s membership video The Power of ACEC won an AMCP gold award.

MEMBER INFORMATION & CALENDAR

More Member Renewals & PAC Contributions
Thank you to the following member firms that have renewed their membership. Also, thank you to individual members that have sent in state PAC contributions since our last update. To see a complete list of state and national PAC contributions, go to ACEC/MO’s website. Your support allows us to remain committed to you as the business voice of the Missouri engineering industry.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS:

INDIVIDUAL STATE PAC CONTRIBUTIONS:
Steve Schultz

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

Apex Engineers, Inc.
1625 Locust Street, Kansas City, MO 64108
Phone: (816) 421-3222
Key Contact: Bryce D. Crady
Calendar of Events

November 13, 2019 - EEA Judging
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.