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AI in the A/E Sector

An ACEC/MA Breakfast Program

December 6, 8 AM, AECOM in Boston + Zoom

Only 12 In-person seats left, Zoom still available

AI is on everyone's mind. How is Artificial Intelligence changing how engineering, land surveying and A/E firms approach their work?

How are some firms approaching AI today? Join us on December 6 to learn more.

Register by December 1.

More Info

ACEC R&D Amortization Update

ACEC is continuing its campaign to fix R&D amortization with an <u>action</u> <u>alert</u> and other promotional materials. We're asking you to contact your Members of Congress if you didn't last week - **again**. The focus of the message is the need for congressional action before the end of the year.

ACEC's website, **Protect Engineering Innovation** includes an ad appearing in some targeted markets.

We need to make sure that R&D amortization is a top priority for Congress: send a letter to **your US House Representative**. Even if your Member of Congress has cosponsored the House and Senate repeal bills, we need ACEC members to reach out again and stress the urgency of Congress fixing R&D amortization now.

More Info

ACEC/MA Health & Safety Forum

November 20, 2:30 PM Eastern, Zoom

Topic: Climate Impacts on Occupational Safety: Nature, Health, and Regulation. Presented by Dr. Scott Smith, CSP, Tighe & Bond.

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ACEC International Committee to Meet with USAID

December 15, 11:00 AM Eastern, Zoom

ACEC National's **International Committee** hosts a virtual meeting with USAID staff who will update on their international infrastructure priorities and how American firms can compete and win work overseas. As the world's premier international development agency driving significant development results, USAID's work advances U.S. national security and economic prosperity, demonstrates American generosity, and promotes a path to recipient self-reliance and resilience. Open to all ACEC members.

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ACEC/MA Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Commitment Award

Applications Due January 12, 2024

This award honors a firm's ingenuity, leadership, and commitment to advancing Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion within the profession.

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ACEC/MA Education Corporation FY2024 Scholarships Scholarship Applications are Due January 26, 2024 at 5 PM.

The ACEC/MA Education Corporation provides educational scholarships to advance the engineering and land surveying profession. We work with the ACEC Research Institute to have students apply through their scholarship portal.

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MassDOT Highway Plan Preparation Guidelines for Consultants Preparing Right-of-Way Plans

Issued October 2023; Shared with ACEC/MA TALC on 11/1/2023.

New Guidelines

Government Affairs

FEDERAL NEWS

<u>Protect Engineering Innovation:</u> R&D Tax Change Threatens America's Engineering Firms

<u>Take Action</u>: ACEC member action is needed to urge their Representative and Senators to support immediate action in Congress to repeal the R&D amortization requirement.

November ACEC Market Insights: What's Driving the Industry





News about this week's Continuing Resolution (CR) in the US House

<u>Honoring America's Veterans</u>: News from ACEC President & CEO Linda Bauer Darr

STATE NEWS

<u>MassDOT Secretary Tibbits-Nutt Outlines Thinking On Transportation</u> <u>Fixes</u>

<u>Governor Healey Appoints Monica Tibbits-Nutt as Secretary of Transportation</u>

Red Flag: White House Guide Cites Coastal Threats

<u>Governor Healey Celebrates \$6B in Federal Funds for Massachusetts</u> <u>on Two-Year Anniversary of Bipartisan Infrastructure Law</u>

MBTA Announces Ambitious Track Improvement Program to Eliminate All Speed Restrictions by End of 2024

ACEC/MA's Government Affairs Committee (GAC) Acts on Bills Impacting our Eng/PLS/A/E Community.

Join ACEC/MA GAC on 12/8/23

Seeking a Professional Engineer

The Designer Selection Board (DSB) seeks 1 PE for the Board.

Read

STEM Task Force Opportunities

Opportunities & Resources for your firm to promote **STEM careers**, particularly in Engineering & Land Surveying

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STEM Starter Academy

Technical Students for Entry Level Roles in Your Firm from Massachusetts Community Colleges

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