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## AI in the A/E Sector

Register by 12/1 for this ACEC/MA Program on Zoom.

Dec. 6, 8:20 AM on Zoom

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

ACEC/MA is grateful to AECOM for hosting this program.

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## MassDOT Issues 2023 Edition of Stormwater Design Guide

Check out the 2023 edition of the *Stormwater Design Guide*, including a new Engineering Directive.

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## ACEC/MA DEI Forum

December 6, 3:30 PM, Zoom

Topic: Non-apparent identities with a focus on disabilities. Speaker: Victoria Verlezza, Fuss & O'Neill. Open to all ACEC/MA Members\*

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## Provisions of a Strong Contract

December 13, 4 PM, Zoom

1-hour webinar, hosted by ACEC Business Insurance Trust, Greyling Insurance Brokerage | Risk Consulting, a Division of Epic, & The Hartford, will walk you through contract provisions so you can more easily identify the risks associated with eliminating or modifying certain contractual elements. Open to all ACEC/MA Members\*

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## ACEC R&D Amortization Update - Your Action Needed

ACEC is continuing its campaign to fix R&D amortization with an [action alert](#) & other promotional materials. Please contact your Members of

- Haley Ward
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## ACEC/MA Board of Directors FY2024

## ACEC/MA Forums & Committees

## ACEC/MA Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion

## Events & Briefings Calendar

## Join an ACEC/MA Committee or Forum



Congress if you didn't earlier in November - **again**. The focus of the message is the need for congressional action before the end of 2023.

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.

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## ACEC International Committee to Meet with USAID December 15, 11:00 AM, Zoom

ACEC's **International Committee** hosts a virtual meeting with USAID staff who will update on their international infrastructure priorities and how US firms can compete and win work overseas. Open to all ACEC Members\*

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## Upcoming Web Briefing from the ACEC Research Institute

[ACEC Research Institute Fair and Balanced: The Role of Private Equity in Engineering Firms: 12/13 Web Briefing , 12:30 PM](#), Open to all ACEC Members.

## 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.

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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## Boards of Registration Issue New Professional Practice Guide



Guide to Current Regulations as of October 2023 from the Board of Registration of Architects and the Board of Registration of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors.

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## Government Affairs

### FEDERAL NEWS

[Firms Must Balance Security and Personal Freedoms in the Age of TikTok](#)

### STATE NEWS

[Governor Maura Healey Backs GM Phil Eng's Timeline For Fixing The T](#)

After Income Surtax, Healey Predicts More Talk About Transportation Revenues

[Healey-Driscoll Administration Launches Statewide Coastal Resiliency Strategy](#)

**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](#)

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## 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 MA Community Colleges

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## LAST WORD

The ACEC Last Word Blog: News and insights on the Council and the industry

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