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**Here's Your 7/22/21
ACEC/Matters**

ACEC/MA Member Briefing:

**RMAT Resilience Standards Tool:
Feedback Opportunity**

8/9, 10 AM, Zoom

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Try the [beta version of the Climate Resilience Design Standards](#) before our 8/9 Member Briefing, then join us to learn more AND provide your feedback to **Mia Mansfield**, Dir. of Climate Adaptation and Resilience, and **Tori Kim**, Assist. Secretary/MEPA Director, of EOEEA. Check out the Tool on [ResilientMA.org](#) along with additional project information and documentation. RMAT's project timeline is quickly moving towards prioritizing and implementing enhancements based on stakeholder feedback.

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ACEC/MA 2020 + 2021 Engineering Excellence Awards Gala

September 30

Renaissance Boston Waterfront, 606 Congress St

5 pm Reception | 6:30 pm Gala Dinner, Awards +

Dessert Reception

Join us for the Engineering Industry's Academy Awards as we celebrate these outstanding engineering projects. Hear about the best projects of 2020 + 2021, honoring the firms and clients that created these projects.

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2 PEs For DHCD Designer Selection Committee

MA Department of Housing and Community Development
 seeks **2 MA PEs (MA Residents)** to fill 2-year terms for its
 Designer Selection Committee (DSC) beginning ASAP.
 NOTE: While serving on the DSC, the firms employing
 these PEs are unable to work for the DHCD. [More >](#)

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ACEC: PPP Loans / FAR Credits Clause Issue

ACEC is making progress in its grassroots campaign to push federal lawmakers to protect engineering firms that

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received forgiven PPP loans from problems stemming from the FAR credits clause – in early July the House of Representatives approved an amendment to provide partial relief – but we need more ACEC member engagement to bolster the case for a waiver to allow firms to keep their PPP loans.

ACEC is asking Congress to include a legislative fix in the infrastructure package to ensure that all firms qualifying for forgiven PPP loans may be allowed to keep this critical assistance.

[Contact Your US Representative and Senators](#)

Background

On July 3, the US House passed the \$720B [INVEST in America Act](#) (H.R. 3684), including a five-year \$592B surface transportation reauthorization, \$54B for clean water infrastructure, and \$105B over 10 years for drinking water infrastructure and the replacement of lead service lines.

Government Affairs

Government Affairs Podcast: A Conversation with Rep. Chrissy Houlahan (D-PA): She joined ACEC's Engineering Influence podcast to discuss a variety of topics including infrastructure, her work as a founder of the House's Women in STEM Caucus, and her experience as an engineer in Congress. [More >](#)

FY2022 Budget Finalized by Legislature, Governor signs into law, including ACEC/MA-backed funding for the Clean Water Trust....[More on ACEC/MA FY2022 Budget Resource Page...>](#)

ACEC/MA's Government Affairs Comm (GAC)

reviews bills impacting our Engineering/PLS/A/E community.

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