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July 3, 2024

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ACEC/MA's Public Agency Partnering Committees

Sign up By July 12

ACEC/MA partners with public agencies to streamline and improve project delivery and improve communication between the public agencies and the ACEC/MA design professional business community.

- To participate in public agency partnering or to lead as a co-chair of one of the partnering committees, starting in August 2024 for the next two years, review the [volunteer position descriptions](#), then sign up.

- **Please coordinate your plans in your firm. Only 1 person per ACEC/MA Member Firm can serve on a particular public agency partnering committee.** If you want someone else from your firm to be on another partnering committee, make sure they sign up. **Partnering Committees are the only ACEC/MA committees that limit participation from each firm.**

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Resources & Opportunities

[MBTA Contract No. SWAPS03 - Technical Support Services for System-Wide Accessibility](#) - Issued 7/2; Qualifications due 7/26

FHWA Presentation Deck on Progressive Design Build: [Alternative Contracting Methods - Progressive Design-Build - June 11, 2024](#)

- **This deck is from the June 11 FHWA & MassDOT workshop on PDB, held in cooperation with ACEC/MA and CIM.**

Resources from 6/25 MassDOT Industry Day on Allston and Cape Cod Bridges:

- [MassDOT Industry Day Introduction pdf](#)
- [MassDOT Allston Multimodal Project Industry Day pdf](#)
- [MassDOT Cape Cod Bridges Industry Day pdf](#)

MBTA Scope and Compensation Matrix:

- **The MBTA will post a revised scope and compensation matrix for professional services firms to use for developing scopes of work shortly. This new matrix represents significant work done by the MBTA in cooperation with a task force from our ACEC/MA MBTA Partnering Committee.**

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- Resources related to this Professional Services Scope & Compensation Matrix:

- [MBTA Memo](#)
- [MBTA Training video on YouTube](#)
- [MBTA Project Controls Manual](#)

- Scroll down to **Appendices** and then to **Templates** and expand
 - Scroll down to **Scope and Compensation Matrix** (not linked here, but follow list in Templates to reach current version of the **Scope & Compensation Matrix** which should be **dated 7/1/24 or later**)

ACEC/MA Water, Energy, Environment Committee (WEEC) Briefing with MEPA Director Tori Kim

July 10, 2 - 3:30 PM on Zoom

Topic: Straw proposals on [2010 MEPA Greenhouse Gas Emissions Policy and Protocol](#) and [2021 MEPA Interim Protocol on Climate Change Adaptation and Resiliency](#).

MEPA is seeking comments on straw proposals available on [MEPA website](#),

Public comments due **9/16/2024** to MEPA-regs@mass.gov. Details [here](#).

[Request Zoom Info](#)

ACEC/MA HR + Health & Safety Forum: Diabetes in the Workplace

July 16, 9 - 10 AM on Zoom

Speaker: **Dr. David Alper**

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ACEC/MA Odyssey Leadership Course Registration

9 Session Course Starts September 26

Leadership skills development course for senior management, middle management, and anyone who has been identified as a high potential leader.

Only 14 seats left

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Proposed Amendments to 540 CMR 4.00: Comments Due on Annual Safety of Class 3 Vehicles

Public Hearing: July 12, Zoom, 10 AM; Written Comments by 5 pm

If your firm operates any Class 3 vehicles under contract to state agencies or municipalities, please review the proposed regulations requiring



lateral protective devices, convex mirrors, crossover mirrors and backup cameras, and provide comments on or before July 12.

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15th Annual ACEC/MA Education Corporation Golf Tournament

Proceeds Benefit the ACEC/MA Education Corporation Presidents' Scholarship Fund

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Geek is Glam STEM Expo

October 13, 9 AM - 5 PM @ Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI)

For Girls in Grades 4-8 - reach these students with fun engineering projects + basic career info!

Hosted by Girl Scouts of Central & Western MA, they are seeking adult volunteers to lead workshops, demos and more.

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Government Affairs

FEDERAL NEWS

[SCOTUS Overturns Chevron Deference](#)

[Secretary Pete Buttigieg Testifies Before House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee](#)

[U.S. DOT Highlights EJCDC Contract Documents and Other ACEC Project Delivery Resources for Local Project Sponsors](#)

STATE and LOCAL NEWS

[Senate Votes To Inject \\$5.4B Into Housing, Put Homeownership And Affordable Units In Reach](#)

[City Of Boston Officially Launches New Planning Department](#)

[DCR Partners With Falmouth Housing Trust And 300 Committee Land Trust On New Project That Conserves Land And Creates Affordable Housing On Cape Cod](#)

[MBTA Makes Significant Progress On Expedited Critical Track Work On Orange Line, Removes Six Speed Restrictions](#)

[MassDOT Launches Public Comment Period For \\$16.5B Proposed FY2025-FY2029 Capital Investment Plan](#)

[The Commonwealth of Massachusetts' FY2025 Budget Process for ACEC/MA Members](#) - Conference Committee at work; Legislature passes 30 day budget for FY2025.

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

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ACEC/MA STEM Task Force

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

STEM Task Force Info

STEM Starter Academy

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

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

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Engineering Influence Podcasts

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