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2020 + 2021 ACEC/MA EEA Gala Moves to Online Event on September 30

Due to current COVID conditions and concerns from many member firms about gathering inside for a large event, the ACEC/MA Board of Directors, in consultation with our Awards Committee and key project contacts, made the difficult decision to move this event to a virtual platform.

We'll have more information for you in the next week or so.



2022 ACEC/MA Engineering Excellence Awards Call for Entries

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Government Affairs

Combined Sewer Overflows Focus of ARPA Hearing on 9/9/2021 in Massachusetts Legislature: The Joint Committee on Ways and Means and the House Committee on Federal Stimulus and Census Oversight is holding a virtual hearing on the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funding focusing on the areas of Economic Development: Transportation/Arts & Tourism/Climate/Infrastructure on September 9, 2021, at 11:30 AM. One of the issues of focus is Combined Sewer Overflows, which have discharged more than twice as much sewage and runoff into public waterways than was expelled throughout all of 2020.

ACEC/MA is working with the Greater Lawrence Sanitary District (GLSD) and the City of Lawrence Water Department to provide testimony before the committee...[More >](#)

Potential Tax Implications of \$3.5 Trillion Reconciliation Package

ACEC Vice President for Tax and Regulatory Affairs Katharine Mottley analyses the potential tax implications of the \$3.5 trillion reconciliation package on Capitol Hill...[More >](#)

Podcast: ACEC's Hall on Infrastructure and the PPP/FAR Credits Clause

On the ACEC Government Affairs Update podcast, ACEC Senior Vice President for Advocacy Steve Hall talks about the path forward for infrastructure legislation and a fix for the PPP/FAR credits clause...[More >](#)

Podcast: AIA Chief Economist Kermit Baker

Discusses the ABI and the Economic Outlook

On the latest Private Markets Update podcast, AIA Chief Economist Kermit Baker and ACEC Vice President for Private Markets Resources Erin McLaughlin discuss the Architecture Billings Index (ABI) and his forecast for the design services industry...[More >](#)

Waiting for late September: On 8/24/21, the US House of Representatives approved a procedural resolution that provided, among other things, that the House will vote on approval of the **Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act by September 27** at the latest. [More >](#)

ACEC/MA's Government Affairs Comm (GAC) reviews bills impacting our Engineering/PLS/A/E community.

Next GAC Meeting = 9/17 @ 10 AM on Zoom

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PPP Loans / FAR Credits Clause

Like many other important amendments, the provision address PPP loan forgiveness and FAR credits was not able to move forward in the Senate version of the Federal Infrastructure bill that passed on August 10. ACEC is looking at options for the final bill and other vehicles. We still need ACEC member engagement to bolster the case.

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