



# ACEC/Matters -

News from ACEC/Massachusetts

Dear ACEC/MA Member,  
Here's Your 9/24/20  
ACEC/Matters

## QBS Study: How You Can Help Project Nominations Due 9/25

Nominate Massachusetts Projects for this national study from the ACEC Research Institute... [More >](#)



## Innovation in Climate and Water Infrastructure

**9/30, 3 - 4 PM on Zoom**  
3rd session in series from ACEC Research Institute with Accelerator for America (see *GAC Report below for background*). Learn about 3 key policy plays: the need to increase administrative and financial resources for WIFIA, the potential to expand emergency relief funds for "betterments" or increased resiliency, and the need to establish outcome-based permitting for water management. This will help our firms provide strategic advice to clients on water infrastructure financing, permitting, and climate resiliency.

[More >](#) (Advance Registration Required: after clicking "More," scroll down to 9/30 session for registration link)

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## ACEC/MA Effective Writing

2 session course on Zoom with Carol Lurie (VHB)

Oct. 13-14, 9:45 - 11:45 AM Both Days

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## NEW MassDOT Roundabouts Guidance

On 9/23, MassDOT announced: **MassDOT Guidelines for the Planning and Design of Roundabouts**, the first formal guidance document issued by MassDOT dedicated to the planning and design of roundabouts. It may be used immediately as a supplement to the **Project Development and Design Guide** and in conjunction with other relevant planning and design guides.

[Guidelines](#) [More >](#)

## ACEC PAC Virtual Event - Join in the Fun on October 15

5:30 - 6:30 PM on Zoom

Purchase your ACEC PAC Fall Sweeps Tickets –[see this form](#) or [contribute online](#).

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## Water, Energy & Environment Committee (WEEC) Briefing

Our 9/23 session featured ACEC's Lynn Schloesser, Director, Water, Energy and Environment Programs

[9/23 PPT Presentation](#) | [YouTube Recording](#)

## Government Affairs

### Member Survey: Firm Finances Improve, But Pessimism About Economy Remains:

In the latest ACEC Research Institute member survey, most firms reported that financial position is the same or better than before the COVID-19 pandemic, but fewer than 1 in 5 believe the market will "return to normal" within the next 6 months...[More >](#)

ACEC Research Institute has partnered with the **Accelerator for America's New Partnership for Infrastructure** to produce a series of recommendations to better align federal policies, funding options, and regulations with local priorities within urban areas. The **Community Serving Infrastructure: A Playbook for a New Infrastructure Partnership** offers recommendations "to realign the local-federal partnership to fit federal strictures to local needs."

### ACEC/MA's GAC reviews bills impacting our Engineering/ PLS /A/E community.

Next GAC Meeting = 9/25 @ 10 AM on Zoom.

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### ACEC National Coronavirus Resource Page

### COVID-19 Resources and Guidance for ACEC/MA Members



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