



AMERICAN COUNCIL OF ENGINEERING COMPANIES  
*of North Carolina*

The latest news & upcoming events  
for engineering excellence in  
North Carolina

### Upcoming Events:

#### April:

4.15.2021

A Proposal for Building  
Purposeful Teams Online  
Class

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4.20.2021

Business Practices  
Committee Meeting

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4.21.2021

B&I Committee Meeting

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4.22.2021

Political Trends and  
Public Policy Implications  
of the National Partisan  
Divide Webinar

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4.27.2021 - 4.28.2021

Roundabout Design  
Course

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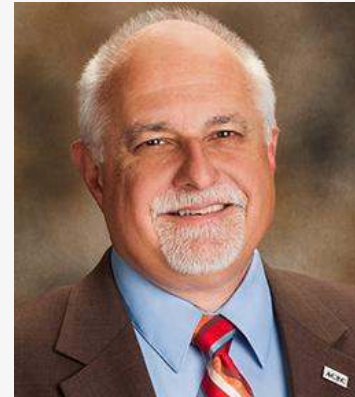
#### May:

5.4.2021 - 5.5.2021

Site Development &

## A message from Executive Director James Smith

As we closed out March, we crossed over a threshold that none of us thought we ever would: 365 days of COVID-19 lockdown. We know that these times have been challenging for each of us in different ways. Please know your ACEC/NC team is always here to support you in any way that we can because we are all in this together!



The team has kept our foot on the gas pedal, advocating for our industry before the General Assembly while continuing our efforts to support ACEC/NC PAC and our upcoming conferences.

Click [here](#) to read this month's letter.

## New Board Members Elected



We are pleased to announce that three members have

Highway Access  
Concepts Course-  
Introductory Level

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5.10.2021 - 5.13.2021

Traffic Signals Workshop

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5.24.2021

Transportation  
Committee Meeting

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5.18.2021 - 5.19.2021

Site Development &  
Highway Access  
Concepts- Practitioner  
Level

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### [Save The Date](#)

6.21.2021  
ECNC Education and  
Advocacy Event  
Pinehurst Resort

[Details](#)

06.28.2021  
ACEC/ NC Legislative  
Golf Tournament  
Prestonwood CC

Cary  
[Details](#)

07.29.2021 - 7.31.2021  
Summer Conference  
Wrightsville Beach

[Details](#)

We're advocating  
for the N.C.  
engineering  
industry!

To see the most recent  
legislative updates that  
could impact you and  
your firm [click here.](#)

been elected to join the ACEC/NC Board of Directors. All three were elected to serve two-year terms and we appreciate their willingness to serve.

### [Matthew Fogleman, PE](#)

ECS Southeast, LLP

### [Mike Holder, PE](#)

Gannett Fleming, Inc

### [Will Letchworth, PE](#)

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## ACEC/NC STATE PAC SPORTING CLAY FUNDRAISER



Please join us and participate in the ACEC/NC State PAC Sporting Clay Fundraiser! It's fun, exciting, and safe while raising money for the ACEC/NC State PAC.

All shooters are welcome-  
Novice and Advanced!

ACEC/NC Member  
Registration: \$150

Deadline to register is  
Monday, April 26

[Click here to register.](#)

## Political Trends & Public Policy Implications of the National Partisan Divide Webinar

Please join us on Thursday, April 22 to get an insider's look from political expert John Davis on topics like taxes, infrastructure spending & political power.

April 22, 2021  
11:30 a.m.- 1:00 p.m.

ACEC/NC Member Registration: \$25



ACEC/NC Non-Member Registration: \$35

This webinar qualifies for 1.5 PDH

[Click here to register.](#)



The engineering industry in North Carolina has experienced significant impacts during the COVID-19 pandemic.

[Click here](#) to view our state resource page that includes the most recent information and updates.

[Click here](#) to view the National resource page that includes the most recent information and updates.



## #TakeYourShot

As of April 7, every North Carolinian is eligible to receive the COVID-19 vaccine. To find locations in your area, check out the NC DHHS' My Spot

vaccine appointment [tracker](#).

## ACEC Chair Charlie Gozdziwski's Op-Ed Calls on Congress to Act on Infrastructure



ACEC Chair Charlie Gozdziwski wrote an opinion piece published in The Hill newspaper urging Congress to fund a long-term, sustainable, and resilient infrastructure package. [Click here](#) for full article.

## N.C. A&T Bioengineering Researcher Aims to Develop Mini-brain in Fight Against Alzheimer's Disease



North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University (NC A&T) Bioengineering Professor Yeoheung Yun, Ph.D., was awarded \$1.43 million from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) to develop a functional mini-brain model in the fight against Alzheimer's Disease (AD). Yun's team of highly qualified clinician experts in brain disease and immunology and a scientist in iPSC-derived cell technology will create a mini-brain model by designing a "tissue construct platform" to replicate three areas of entry for Alzheimer's-combating drugs. [Click here](#) for full article.

## Membership Certification Starts Soon

It is time for membership certification and renewal!

In the coming weeks, ACEC/NC staff will be reaching out to each firm to certify their headcount and check to make sure we have correct contact information.

Per our policy, dues are calculated on a sliding scale based on how many full-time staff a firm has, so it is vital that you make sure your count is correct! To learn more about membership, [click here](#).

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## Want to join a Transportation Subcommittee?

It is time to offer members an opportunity to participate in Transportation Subcommittees. Participation on a subcommittee is for a three-year term.

Subcommittees consist of a mixture of key NCDOT staff and ACEC members to discuss current topics and upcoming issues facing our industry.

Below is the list of available subcommittee positions for the July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022 year:

Construction and Materials - 2 positions  
Design/Build - 3 positions  
Project Delivery - 3 positions  
Structures - 2 positions

To be considered, the applicant must meet the following criteria:

- Be employed by an ACEC member who has a presence in the North Carolina market of three (3) years or more
- Have private industry experience of three (3) years or more
- Have overall Industry experience of eight (8) years or more

Please submit your resume by email to [Tammy Bromley](#) with your preferred subcommittee in the subject line by close of business **Friday, May 7**.

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## Featured Member Spotlight



Wetherill Engineering, Inc. (WEI) started primarily as a bridge design and inspection practice in 1993 and has since broadened its services into four major categories; structural engineering, roadway transportation, civil engineering and site design and surveying and hydraulics. Based in Raleigh with a branch office in Charlotte, the team of seventy-five work together to provide clients quality service from the planning phases through construction administration and close-out. A proud woman owned company, WEI is certified DBE with the North Carolina Department of Transportation and HUB certified with the North Carolina Department of Administration.

Current and notable projects of Wetherill Engineering are; the complete 540 design build of NCDOT R-2828, Old Wake Forest Road Improvements in Raleigh, Davidson County's Wilcox Bridge Inspections and Repair Recommendations, pavement rehabilitation along NCDOT I-5786 I-95, NCDOT Division 6 Emergency Express Design Build Bridge and the new access road NCDOT R-5769 to the Novo Nordisk expansion site. WEI has been ranked as the 79th Top Firm in the Southeast by ENR Engineering News Record and as a top Minority and Women Business Enterprise firm in the Triangle Area by the Triangle Business Journal. The firm credits their success to the dedication, thoroughness, and technical excellence of the staff as well as their innovative and cost-efficient project approaches.

Founders, owners and principals of the firm, Deborah and Eddie Wetherill, strive to create a

work environment that delivers big-firm results with a small-firm feel. To learn more about this month's membership spotlight firm Wetherill Engineering, Inc., visit their website at <http://wetherilleng.com//>



ACEC is pleased to produce its second virtual event experience to connect with industry partners across the country! The virtual event will showcase all of the education and networking of our in-person Convention. To view the complete schedule and register, visit the [event page](#).

## ACEC Accepting Nominations for Young Professional Award

The Young Professional of the Year Award is awarded to young engineers to highlight their engineering contributions and the resulting impact on society. The campaign is designed to enhance and improve the image of engineering by recognizing young, diverse, and talented engineers, thereby portraying engineering as an exciting profession open to everyone. To learn more about nomination guidelines, [click here](#).



## 2021-2022 ACEC/NC Legislative Agenda

With the new legislative biennium underway, ACEC/NC is putting forth an aggressive proposal to address long-term transportation funding. We know that this proposal will face a significant road before it is agreed to and we will need your help to get it across the finish line. In addition to transportation funding, we are also looking to address many other issues of importance to our members and the state's economic opportunity. Check out the full 2021-2022 Legislative Agenda [here](#).

[Click here to read more ACEC/NC & member news!](#)



ACEC/NC is the premier organization that represents the business interests of the engineering industry in our state. ACEC/NC's mission is to promote the business interests of engineering companies by providing legislative advocacy and business services.