



AMERICAN COUNCIL OF ENGINEERING COMPANIES
of North Carolina

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

Upcoming Events:

February:
2.11.2021

Legislative Committee
Meeting

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Love Your PAC
Reception

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2.18.2021

Transportation
Committee Meeting

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2.23.2021

Land Development
Meeting

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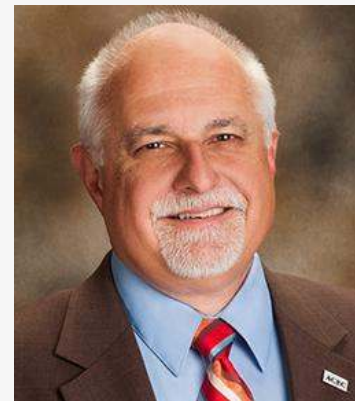
2.24.2021

Business Practices
Committee Meeting

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We're advocating
for the N.C.
engineering

A message from Executive Director James Smith



Dear ACEC/NC Member,

As we turn the calendar to the second month of 2021, we continue to look for ways to move things forward following what I know was a tough 2020.

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!

With activity cranking up on Jones Street and Capitol Hill, this month's letter is focusing on everything that we have going on in the advocacy arena.

Starting right here at home, the North Carolina General Assembly returned for the 2021-2022 legislative biennium in mid-January and has already hit the ground running. Though the full ACEC/NC legislative agenda is still being finalized, the top item on our list will be securing LONG-TERM TRANSPORTATION FUNDING. Following the insights from the study efforts of the NC FIRST Commission and the NC Chamber's Destination 2030 Coalition, these plans are receiving a lot of attention.

[Click here](#) to read the letter in full.

ACEC/NC Celebrates Black History Month

Black history fact:
North Carolina
Agricultural and
Technical State
University, a historically

industry:

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

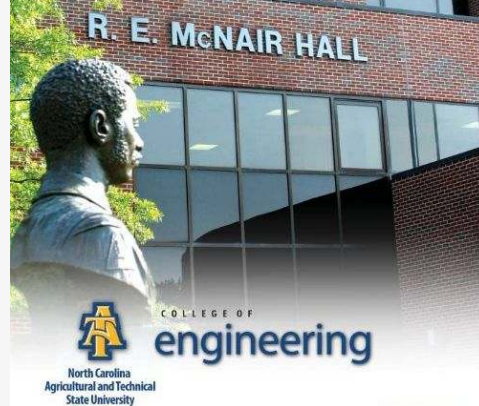


The engineering industry in North Carolina has experienced significant impacts during the COVID-19 pandemic.

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

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black college, is the #1 producer of African-American undergraduate degrees in Engineering and Agriculture. NC A&T's College of Engineering has earned several awards, donations and research grants in recent years.



Click the link below to follow ACEC/NC on Facebook for more Black history facts.

<https://www.facebook.com/ACECNorthCarolina>



Do you know what tier you are in for the vaccine?

NCDHHS is working diligently to make sure people are vaccinated as quickly and fairly as possible, starting with those who are more susceptible to the virus and those more likely to get dangerously sick from it. You might qualify for early access to the vaccine. [Click here](#) to find out what vaccine group you're in.

ACEC, Coalition Call for Comprehensive Infrastructure Package



ACEC, along with the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, the Bipartisan Policy Center, and over 80 stakeholders join the "Build by the Fourth of July Coalition" in advocating for Congress to pass the comprehensive infrastructure legislation by July, 4 2021. [Click here](#) for full article.

NC State ISE Students Collaborate with Hosiery Mill to Create Face Masks

North Carolina State University
Industrial and Systems Engineering

students, Katie Lawson and Eric Swanson, joined local hosiery mill as industrial engineering consulting. They used their knowledge of production line optimization, mask design, and safe packaging to direct Easy Masks in optimal production. [Click here](#) for full article.

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Featured Member Spotlight

Sungate Design Group, P.A. is an award winning civil and environmental engineering firm specializing in water resource projects throughout the state of North Carolina. Sungate has been in business for nearly 30 years, based Raleigh since 1991.



The team of ten work together to provide full spectrum water resource services including hydrologic and hydraulic modeling, design permitting and construction administration. Sungate's staff has extensive experience with North Carolina Floodplain Mapping Program and FEMA regulations, NC Department of Environmental Quality regulations, DWR and USACOE environmental permit requirements, NCDOT procedures and policies for highway drainage design, bridge and culvert analysis, and NCDEQ Land Quality Section erosion control design.

Current and notable projects led by Sungate Design include I-95 Widening in Johnston & Harnett County, US 17 Hampstead Bypass in Pender County, Felix Harvey Parkway in Lenoir County, US 70 Widening James City, the Salem Creek Connector in Forsyth County the American Tobacco Trail in Wake County.

Sungate Design Group, P.A. shares recognition with the Stantec team for the 2020 Grand Conceptor ACEC award for the Continuous Flow Intersection and with the WSP team in recognition of the U-2925 Salem Creek Connector Project. The firm's accolades also include the Sir Walter Raleigh Award for Community Appearance for the North Regional Library project. Most importantly, Sungate credits their lasting success to long term relationships built with clients and the dedication of staff to projects from start to finish.

To learn more about this month's ACEC/NC membership spotlight, visit their website at <https://sungatedesign.com/>.

CALL FOR PRESENTERS



exploring
TRANSPORTATION

The ACEC/NC NCDOT Joint Transportation Conference Committee is seeking presentations for the upcoming conference on October 20-21, 2021. The theme for the conference is "Exploring Transportation". [Click here](#) for presentation and application guidelines.

ACEC 2021 Scholarship Program



AWARDS

- ACEC Scholar of the Year Scholarship
- College of Fellows Scholarship
- A/E ProNet Scholarship
- Professional Liability Agents Network (PLAN) Scholarship
- Life/Health Trust (LHT) Scholarship
- Small Firm Coalition Scholarship
- Coalition of American Structural Engineers (CASE)

2021 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Applications due: February 22



[Click here](#) for application guidelines.

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](#).



YOUNG PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR AWARD

NOMINATIONS DUE: APRIL 16, 2021

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