

March 2015

## Upcoming ACEC/NC Events

April 1, 2015  
Environmental Education & Networking Event (3 PDHs)  
Raleigh, NC - McKimmon Center

April 6, 2015  
Social Media Webinar (1.5 PDH)  
Charlotte & Raleigh locations

April 15th, 2015  
Charlotte Douglas Airport Overview (1 PDH)  
**SOLD OUT**

May 14, 2015  
Bridge Workshop (1 PDH)  
MAP-21 Update Raleigh, NC

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## Design/Construction Storms NCGA Trumpling "INVEST NC!"

On March 25th, members of the "Recovery Coalition" (ACEC/NC, PENC, AIANC, and CAGC) conducted our second annual Joint Day at the Legislature. Nearly 200 industry leaders stormed the halls of Jones Street with handouts, fliers, and buttons emblazoned with "INVEST NC" to promote the critical need for Infrastructure Funding in North Carolina.

ACEC/NC has for years advocated for developing a long-term sustainable infrastructure investment program for our great state. With the population continuing to grow, our infrastructure is being strained to the limits!

And the legislature has heard the message. This year's session began with the introduction of legislation to stabilize the Gas Tax, the major source of funding revenue for transportation in North Carolina.

SB 20 has passed both houses and is currently in conference committee to work out the differences. But that is just the start of needed action. ACEC/NC is part of the NC Chamber's Coalition on Infrastructure and is an active member of NC GO. Both organizations have committed time and resources to make sure the Legislature develops long-term solutions to maintain the state's infrastructure and support our growing economy.

On the vertical side, the State Blue Ribbon Commission, mandated under the Recovery Coalition's support of HB 1043, will begin work soon on studying the needs and financing of state-owned buildings and our water, wastewater, and storm water systems. The commission includes a number of ACEC Members appointed by the Legislature and the Administration, and we will be working diligently to assist the Commission in its work.

ACEC/NC will continue to fight for the benefit of the private-sector, and protect you and your firm from detrimental legislation.

## MAKE YOUR MARK! Consulting Congress Days April 21-22



ACEC member lobbying will be focused on the critical elements of an improving economy for the industry: passage of long-stalled infrastructure legislation and alleviating the burden of over-regulation and in-sourcing threats. With 64 new Members of Congress to meet and educate on these matters, your participation is vital.

The key infrastructure priority for the engineering industry in 2015 is the passage of a new long-term surface transportation bill. While Congress has passed a series of temporary extensions that continue current funding mechanisms, the existing programs are limping along as states and local governments lack the financial certainty to move forward with major improvement projects. With Republicans now in control of both the House and Senate, a more business-friendly Congress should be receptive to ACEC lobbying. The message to Congress: infrastructure is the backbone of the nation and must be a bi-partisan legislative priority in 2015.

As in the past, ACEC/NC members will travel to Washington, DC in a luxury bus on Tuesday morning, join members attending the full ACEC national conference, and attend briefings and a reception with members of the North Carolina Congressional delegation that evening. The following morning we'll "Storm the Hill" and meet with our delegation at the Capital to discuss issues vital to our industry.

You won't want to miss this opportunity to have our voices heard and help influence Congress to act on vital infrastructure initiatives. Our itinerary will conclude Wednesday afternoon with a return bus trip to Raleigh.



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## Positions Available

For more information on these job postings and how to apply, please refer to the jobs board on the ACEC/NC website at <http://business.acecnc.org/jobs>

**Ramey Kemp** is looking for an **Administrative Assistant & a Sr. Traffic Engineer**

**Alpha & Omega** is seeking a **CADD Designer & a Civil/Hydraulic Engineer**

**Summit Design and Engineering Services, PLLC** is looking for a **Traffic Engineer**

**Withers & Ravenel** is seeking a **Project Engineer, a Project Manager, and a Transportation Engineer**

**Schnabel Engineering** is hiring a **Sr. Hydrology & Hydraulics Engineer**

**CDM SMITH** is seeking a **Sr. Project Manager – Roadway Design/Design Build**

**S&ME Inc.** seeking a **Construction Services Project Engineer**

**Mulkey Engineers & Consultants** is seeking a **Planning Group Manager & a Transportation Designer & Water Resources (Storm Drainage) Designer**

**Dewberry** is seeking a **Sr. Electrical/Project Engineer**

**DMP** is seeking a **Civil/Site Land Development Client Manager & a Civil Engineering Designer / CAD Technician**

**The Wooten Company** is seeking a **Business Development Director**

**Cavanaugh & Associates** seeking an **Inside Sales Person**

To have your company's open positions included in the next NC Report, email [info@acecnc.org](mailto:info@acecnc.org)

## 2015 Environmental Education & Networking Event

Please join us for our annual Environmental Education and Networking Event in Raleigh, NC on April 1, 2015 from 10:30 am - 2:30 pm at the Jane S. McKimmon Center. This event is offered by the American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC) and the Professional Engineers of North Carolina (PENC) and is worth 3 PDH's. This program has been designed to meet the informational and networking needs of the engineering and sciences community by bringing you current relevant information for continuing success in your businesses. Our Speakers will be:

- Keynote Speaker Secretary Donald van der Vaart giving a "NCDENR Update."
- LeiLani Paugh & Morgan Weatherford from NCDOT discussing "Regulatory Streamlining Initiatives."
- NC State Representative; Rick Catlin talking about "Environmental Issues & Topics at NC General Assembly"

## Committee Happenings

**Buildings & Infrastructure Committee:** Join us March 30th after BIM event in Charlotte, for our meeting 1:30pm – 2:30pm.

**Legislative Committee:** The next Legislative Committee meeting is on April 2nd at ACEC/NC offices 11:30am – 1:30pm at the Bank of America Bldg, 421 Fayetteville St, Raleigh, NC 27601

**Sr. Leaders Forum:** Sr. Leaders will meet April 8th at HDR in Charlotte from 1:30pm - 3:00pm.

**Economic Development Committee:** Join us on April 9th for a \$10 lunch at ACEC/NC offices 11:30am – 1:30pm at the Bank of America Bldg, 421 Fayetteville St, Raleigh, NC 27601

**Marketing PR Forum:** The next Marketing Public Relations meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 15th at 1:30 p.m. - 2:30pm at CDM Smith's Raleigh office.

**Business Practice Forum:** The Business Practice Forum's next meeting is scheduled April 16th at 12:00 at the Experis Office, 1122 Oberlin Rd, Raleigh, NC 27605. Join us on April 6th in Charlotte or Raleigh for a Social Media Webinar: Social Media: What Every Employer Needs to Know (1.5 PDH)

**Energy Forum:** The next Energy Forum meeting is on April 21st at 12:00 at the Bank of America Bldg, 421 Fayetteville St, Raleigh, NC 27601 - 13th floor conference room.

**Environmental Committee:** Join us on April 29th at 12:00 at the Bank of America Bldg, 421 Fayetteville St, Raleigh, NC 27601 - 13th floor conference room.

**Transportation Committee:** The next Transportation Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 18th from 3:00p.m. - 5:00p.m. at Stantec's Raleigh office.

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Check out the following resources:

<http://www.ncgo.org/2015-nc-go-report/>

<http://ncchamber.net/issue-advocacy/infrastructure/coalition-prosperous-future/>

What can you do to help? Contact your state representative and senator and let them know how important it is to build a long-term sustainable infrastructure funding program for supporting a vibrant economy.

Our voices need to be heard loud and clear! Follow the link to find your representative: <http://www.ncleg.net/representation/WhoRepresentsMe.aspx>.

Thanks for your support!

## Member Firms in the News

### **Carolina Ecosystems, Inc. (CEI)**

**Carolina Ecosystems, Inc. (CEI)** is pleased to announce that **Chris Hopper, CFM** has joined our firm in our Clayton NC office as a senior scientist and project manager.

### **DRMP**

**DRMP** is pleased to announce that **Lisa Moon, PE** has joined our Raleigh, NC office as a Traffic Engineering Leader. In this role, Moon will be responsible for marketing and business development, project management and establishing and maintaining client relationships to grow DRMP's traffic engineering presence in North Carolina.

### **Gannett Fleming**

**Gannett Fleming** is pleased to announce **Bryan P. Mulqueen, PE**, has been named director of transit & rail for the global infrastructure firm Gannett Fleming. Based in the Raleigh, North Carolina, office, Mulqueen serves as a vice president in the company and a project principal for the firm's most critical transit projects.

### **JMT**

**JMT** is pleased to announce that **James W. (Bill) Jenkins, PE, RLA** has joined JMT as Vice President and manager for our new North Carolina practice. He will be responsible for developing and implementing our North Carolina business growth strategies. JMT is excited about leveraging the firm's capabilities with Bill's knowledge of the North Carolina marketplace.

### **HighFill**

**Highfill Infrastructure Engineering, PC, (HIGHFILL)** is pleased to announce the promotion of Senior Engineer and Trenchless Technology Expert **Chris Ford, PE**, to the role of Vice President.

### **Kleinfelder**

Environmental program manager **Michael Burns, PG, RSM**, has joined Kleinfelder as a principal professional in the company's environmental assessment and remediation service lines.

In his new position, Burns will manage and provide technical oversight of the region's environmental assessment & remediation team along with the region's environmental planning & permitting team. He will also work closely with the environmental regulatory compliance team to grow the practice throughout the American Southeast.

### **Moffatt & Nichol**

**Moffatt & Nichol** has named a new Coasts, Water and the Environment Practice Leader and new supporting leadership roles. The firm elected Senior Coastal Engineer **Jeffrey G. Shelden, PE**, to serve as overall Practice Leader.

Moffatt & Nichol has also created three new discipline leadership roles to support all of Moffatt & Nichol's practices. Senior Coastal Engineer **Gillian Millar, CEng** will serve as the Coastal Discipline Lead. Senior Water Resources Engineer **Johnny Martin, PE** was appointed to serve as the Water Resources Discipline Lead. Finally, Senior Environmental Scientist **Jerry McCrain, PhD** will serve as the Environmental Lead.

### **McKim & Creed, Inc.,**

**McKim & Creed, Inc.**, an engineering, surveying and planning firm with offices throughout the South, is pleased to announce that **Chris M. Martin Jr., PE**, has joined the company's Raleigh headquarters and will oversee the company's energy conservation services, including implementation of high value / low risk strategies.

### **Schnabel Engineering, Inc.**

**Schnabel Engineering, Inc.** is pleased to announce the recent promotion of **Robert Indri, PE**, to Associate. Rob joined Schnabel's Greensboro, NC office nearly 10 years ago as a Senior Staff Engineer and holds a BS in Civil Engineering from the New Jersey Institute of Technology.

### **STV Incorporated**

**STV Incorporated** is pleased to announce that **Kevin Bailey, PE; Jason Griscom, PE; and Mike Iagnocco, PWS** of the Charlotte office have been named Senior Associates of the firm.

## SAVE THE DATES

**Summer Conference: July 30th – August 1st, Wrightsville Beach**

**Energy Symposium: September 17th, NC Bio Technology Center, RTP**

**Transportation Conference: October 21st, Raleigh Convention Center, Raleigh**

**Engineering Excellence Awards: November 5th, Bay 7 American Tobacco Campus, Durham**

**Buildings & Infrastructure Symposium: December 2nd, McKimmon Center, Raleigh**