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Live sessions interspersed among pre-recorded content. Material will be recorded and archived for on-demand viewing later.

SCHEDULE

**Wed, Sept 15**

4:00 to 6:00 P.M. – **Welcome Reception**

“Rain or Shine” in the outdoor covered area

The Lodge at Cascade Brewing (formerly Raccoon Lodge)

7424 SW Beaverton-Hillsdale Hwy., Portland, OR 97225

**Thurs/Fri, Sept 16 & 17**

8:00 A.M. to 12:00 NOON – **Conference (virtual)**



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## CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

- Panel discussion: **Firms' plans for return to office** - presented by Cushman & Wakefield
- **Update on Oregon legislation re: new taxes** - presented by Diana Strassmaier, CPA, CCIFP, Aldrich Advisors
- **New covid relief incentives** - presented by Justin McAnally, Director, Alliant Group
- **How firms can utilize R&D tax credits** - presented by Shane Hunt, Moss Adams
- **Oregon legislative update** - presented by Marshall Coba, CobaCo Government Affairs, ACEC Oregon Lobbyist
- And much more!

Sessions are good for accruing continuing professional development credits.



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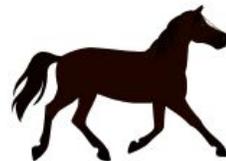
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#### WHO SHOULD ATTEND

This series is ideal for project managers, designers and engineers who are:

- Interested in a leadership track in their career
- Shifting their focus from projects to organizational and financial goals of the firm
- Challenged by competing priorities
- Being asked to take on more responsibilities with the same resources
- New to managing multiple or complex projects
- New to managing people and teams

*“The biggest challenge facing A/E firms today is development of our future leaders. We had several of our emerging leaders attend the ACEC Leadership Development program and*

## Develop your firm’s future leaders! Enroll them in the Leadership Development Series

### *Series of seven programs kicks off October 13.*

Will be a hybrid of in-person\* (in the Portland metro area) and on-line programs.

\*In-person programs are subject to change due to COVID conditions.

#### OVERVIEW

- Presenters are key industry professionals.
- CPDs – Each session is good for accruing Continuing Professional Development credits.
- Individuals who attend the entire series will receive a certificate of completion and be recognized at the annual business event in May.

#### SAVE THE DATES

#### **COURSE OUTLINE: AT-A-GLANCE**

Oct 13 - Enhancing Leadership Versatility & Personal Effectiveness

Nov 17 - Managing Time & Relationships

Dec 8 - Demystifying Business Development

Jan - OFF (no program)

Feb 9 - Political Involvement & QBS

Mar 9 - Risk Management for A/E Firms

Apr 13 - Financial Management for A/E Firms

May 11 - From Doer to Leader: Lessons Learned

#### PAST PARTICIPANTS SAY

*the feedback I received was extremely positive. In particular, it helped them gain a broader perspective on the business aspects of consulting and we are already realizing the return on this investment in their leadership development.”*

--Larry Fox, PE, COO, DOWL

*“The series helped me by providing insightful methods, processes, practices and ways of thinking to continue to develop as a leader. Additionally, learning personality types and how to build a successful team with a well-rounded balance of different personality types was very insightful. I also gained knowledge about the Oregon political landscape, lobbying, how to have a voice, and the state legislature.”*

--Craig Heimbucher, PE, Associate Engineer, Terraphase Engineering

*“The ‘Enhancing Leadership Versatility and Personal Effectiveness’ session has helped me as I work with different team members. I have a new appreciation for different personalities and understand how they each can contribute to a positive project outcome.”*

--Jared Trowbridge, PE, Project Manager, DOWL

Click [HERE](#) to register.



# LAST WORD

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## Bi-Partisan Infrastructure Bill Passes Senate

Washington, DC – ACEC released the following statement upon Senate passage of the bipartisan Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act:

“This is a great day for America. The nation’s engineering industry applauds the United States Senate for passing a historic, generational investment in America’s infrastructure,” said ACEC President and CEO Linda Bauer Darr.

“This bill matters. Reliable infrastructure is the keystone of our economy, and the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act makes the long-term investments necessary to keep America on a path to prosperity.

“The bipartisan bill will unleash America’s engineering firms’ ingenuity and talent to design smart, connected, and resilient infrastructure. Americans will feel these improvements every day, resulting in a better quality of life, a cleaner environment, new job opportunities, and untold potential for economic development in their communities.”

“Today’s vote is a big step forward in getting an infrastructure bill on the President’s desk. It is now up to the House to approve this historic investment in America’s future. We urge Speaker Pelosi, Chairman DeFazio, and House leaders to act with speed in taking up the Senate bill. The

opportunity to deliver the infrastructure we deserve is finally within reach,” Darr concluded.

“The Senate infrastructure bill will significantly benefit the engineering industry. Not only will it create 82,000 new good-paying engineering jobs, but for every new job, two more are created in roles that benefit or support engineering services,” added ACEC Board Chair Robin Greenleaf.

“We also estimate the bill will increase industry activity by 6% over six years adding \$62 billion in wages and \$75 billion to GDP.”



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### ACEC Engineering Influence Podcasts

- [The ACEC Life/Health Trust on Preventing Employee Burnout](#)
- [Member Organization Spotlight: A Conversation with ACEC New York](#)
- [A Conversation with ACEC Board Chair Robin Greenleaf](#)
- [Government Affairs Update: What’s Next for Infrastructure](#)

### UPCOMING / SAVE THE DATE

- Sept 8 – [Duty to Defend Update](#)
- Oct 7 – Salary & Benefits Survey Review (*morning educational program*)



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- **ODOT is hiring a new [Communications Manager](#).**  
This position is responsible for leading a team of professionals in development and execution of ODOT’s comprehensive strategic communications program. This position works closely with ODOT’s executive team, staff across the agency, media, and external partners.
- Sept 23 & 24 – [OSBEELS Symposium](#)  
25% off registration fees until August 15!  
Topics include:

- The transformation of the University of Oregon's Hayward Field
- The Astoria waterfront bridge replacement project
- Land surveying behind the development of master-planned communities
- Engineering behind failure analysis
- Bureau of Land Management's Cadastral Surveying program



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