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**Last chance!** Please register by Monday, December 7.

[Legislative Preview Dinner with ASCE – December 9](#)

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**WED  
DECEMBER 9**

**SCHEDULE**

5:00 P.M. – Social

6:30 P.M. – Dinner

7:30 P.M. – Program

**WHERE**

Kell's Irish Restaurant & Pub  
112 SW 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue  
Portland, OR 97204

[Meet state Rep. Deborah Boone @ Kell's for  
Legislative Preview Dinner with ASCE](#)



Plan to attend the ACEC / ASCE legislative preview dinner to learn what to expect in 2016.

ACEC Oregon lobbyist Marshall Coba and state Rep. Deborah Boone (D – Cannon Beach) will discuss the 2016 legislative session, including resilience issues.

One price for all—\$40.

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**ACEC Legislative Update on Federal Transportation Bill**

[\\$305 Billion, 5-Year Transportation Bill Emerges as “Huge Win for Industry;”](#)



Matthew Reiffer, Director  
Transportation Programs  
ACEC National Headquarters

### [Includes ACEC-Backed Contracting Out Provision](#)

House-Senate Conference Committee members have finalized legislation providing \$305 billion for federal highway and transit programs for five years. The House and Senate are expected to approve the measure later this week.

The *Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST)* Act authorizes \$207 billion for state highway formula programs for five years, allocating \$39.7 billion in FY2016 and ramping up to \$43.4 billion in FY2020, an increase of almost 10 percent above current funding levels. The bill includes a new \$4.5 billion grant program for nationally significant freight and highway projects, and provides \$1.44 billion for TIFIA loans and loan guarantees over five years.

"This is a huge win for our industry," said ACEC President/CEO Dave Raymond. "It demonstrates what we can achieve with sustained advocacy and political engagement."

[Click here for a brief 2-page summary of the bill.](#)

[Click here to read the entire article from this week's \*Last Word\* newsletter.](#)

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SAVE THE DATE! More info to come.

- Jan 20 – Engineering Excellence Awards dinner – Nearly 300 members, clients and guests are expected!

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[ACEC WASHINGTON UPCOMING EVENTS](#) – ACEC Oregon members receive the member rate!

- Dec 9 – Winter Meeting: Economic Outlook & Legislative Update
- Dec 12 – Holiday social at Benaroya Hall
- Jan 19 – FAR Workshop
- Jan 22 – Engineering Excellence & Engineer of the Year Awards gala

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