

# What ACEC/CT Has Done for You Lately

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Successfully opposed imposition of the state sales tax on engineering and other professional services at the end of the 2015 session of the General Assembly.

Successfully passed a new statute of limitations law which protects firms that contract with the state and municipalities.

Supported Governor Malloy's new transportation plan that would include \$100 billion in infrastructure spending over 30 years.

Supported Connecticut constitutional amendment to protect the Special Transportation Fund.

Conducted a legislative reception for over 130 members of the Connecticut General Assembly and their staff at the state capital.

Successfully lobbied Congress to pass the FAST Act, the first long-term transportation reauthorization legislation in over a decade.

Lobbied Congress to protect federal tax provisions that save engineering firms millions of dollars each year.

ACEC/CT Engineering Excellence Awards program recognized seven firms for outstanding Connecticut projects.

ConnDOT Liaison Committee worked with DOT to reduce the time it takes to get contracts signed, improve the selection process, reduce time it takes to get retention returned, and eliminated the \$35 salary-cap for firm principals.

ACEC/CT participated in the Industry Advisory Council to work with The DAS Division of Construction Services on contracting, consultant selection, local school construction and other issues.

ACEC/CT Structural Engineers Coalition conducted eight technical training sessions with New York State PDHs.

Conducted training for local school building officials and procurement officers on Qualifications-Based Selection of engineers and other design professionals.

Worked with the Clean Water Coalition to promote increased bonding for Connecticut clean water fund projects.

The DEEP Liaison Committee monitored the Department's regulatory actions on municipal stormwater, dam inspection, hazardous waste remediation and energy issues.

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