

# ACEC *Indiana* 2026-27 Liaison Committees



## INDOT

**Liaison with the Indiana Department of Transportation on matters related to consulting engineering.**

- Liaison with INDOT
- Plan membership-wide webinar featuring subcommittee chairs
- Respond to industry needs in collaboration with Forward Together\* and the Indiana Transportation Team (ITT)

**Staff:**

Colleen Torres

**Meetings:**

6x per year



## Indy DPW

**Liaison with the Indiana Department of Public Works on matters related to consulting engineering.**

- Liaison with Indy DPW
- Host two membership-wide workshops: RPR (Resident Project Representative) and Designer

**Staff:**

Colleen Torres

**Meetings:**

4x per year



## IDEM

**Liaison with the Indiana Department of Environmental Management and engage in discussions of national environmental trends.**

- Liaison with IDEM
- Provide technical assistance for Indiana's water infrastructure, permitting, and legislative policy.

**Staff:**

Colleen Torres

Courtney Hott

**Meetings:**

4x per year + agenda setting meetings



## IDNR

**Liaison with the Indiana Department of Natural Resources on matters related to consulting engineering.**

- Liaison with INDR
- Plan membership-wide educational events or webinars as needed

**Staff:**

Colleen Torres

Courtney Hott

**Meetings:**

4x per year + agenda setting meetings



## W.E.E. Funding Sources

**Ensure member firms have updated information on Water, Energy & Environment funding resources.**

- Liaison with OCRA, USDA/RD, IFA/ SRF, IU Public Policy Institute and more
- Coordinate with state and federal agencies on staffing updates, interest rate trends, and the implementation of various infrastructure funding programs.

**Staff:**

Colleen Torres

Courtney Hott

**Meetings:**

4x per year + agenda setting meetings



## Vertical & Private Markets

**Engage with the Fire Prevention & Building Safety Commission and other partners on matters of relevance to structural and MEP issues.**

- Advocate for the modernization of building codes in the state
- Addresses issues of mechanical, electrical and structural disciplines

**Staff:**

Shelby Dunn

**Meetings:**

6x per year



\*Forward Together is not open to all ACEC Indiana members as it is comprised of INDOT Committee leadership and ACEC leadership.

# ACEC *Indiana* 2026-27 Internal Committees



## Government Affairs (GAC)

**Advocate for legislation that supports the consulting engineering industry.**

- Monitor activities involving the General Assembly
- Make recommendations for proactive legislation
- Meets every Friday during the legislative session

**Staff:**

Colleen Torres  
Courtney Hott

**Meetings:**

1x per week in session



## Qualifications-Based Selection (QBS)

**Advocate for legislation and regulation that supports qualifications-based selection in the consulting engineering industry.**

- Communicate with clients on the benefits of using QBS in procurement of professional services
- Train the next generation of engineers to advocate for QBS with clients

**Staff:**

Shelby Dunn

**Meetings:**

4x per year



## Higher Education & Workforce

**Bolster talent pipeline of engineers, surveyors and other professionals that service the consulting engineering industry.**

- Liaison with higher education institutions and industry partners that focus on talent development and employer support
- Promote scholarship program and score submissions

**Staff:**

Liz Walker

**Meetings:**

4x per year



## K-12 Education

**Encourage more young students to take interest in engineering and STEM.**

- Liaison with K-12 teachers, counselors and community partners
- Facilitate National Engineers Week program and promote volunteerism
- Strategize engagement opportunities in collaboration with the Foundation

**Staff:**

Liz Walker

**Meetings:**

5x per year



## Professional Development & Engagement

**Develop strategies to maximize member value, engagement and connection.**

- Evaluate and optimize continuing education programs and events
- Establish and maintain resource library for all levels of development
- Encourage greater participation, inclusion and belonging in the Association

**Staff:**

Liz Walker  
Shelby Dunn

**Meetings:**

4x per year



## Future Firm Innovation

**Provide member firms with the strategic frameworks and risk management tools in a technologically-changing marketplace.**

- Develop recommendations for a value-based revenue solution
- Navigate the liability landscape of emerging technologies
- Develop advanced strategies for human capital primacy and firm longevity

**Staff:**

Colleen Torres

**Meetings:**

4x per year

ACEC Indiana Committee positions are reserved for Indiana-based employees that have completed the Pathway to Leadership requirements.