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State News for NSPE Members

Update from WYSPE

Thank you for being a member of the Wyoming Society of Professional Engineers! Your membership shows a commitment to the profession and to protecting the public. Whether you have been a member for many years or are a newer member, we appreciate you being a part of WySPE.

We are working to update our bylaws to accurately reflect what both the state society and NSPE are doing to serve the public and our members.

The governing documents haven't been updated in many years and are due for a review. Look for information later this fall.

We're also working to be sure we know more about our members and what we can be doing to strengthen WySPE. In the coming weeks, you'll be receiving a survey from WySPE to share your thoughts and ideas. We know your time is valuable and we really appreciate you taking a moment to respond to the survey when you receive it.

Advocacy Campaign a Success—But More Action Needed



Trish Hatley @triciahatley - Aug 7. Met with Senator Inhofe's field rep @BrysonPanas this morning in our @FreeseNichols office to talk about the need to reduce licensure exemptions and how PE's help protect the public health, safety and welfare. #LicensedPEday #PEDayAdvocate

More than 100 NSPE members either met with or called their legislators and staffers on August 7 as part of the Society's Professional Engineers Day advocacy campaign. It was the largest such campaign in remembered NSPE history. PEs joined together to speak up for the importance of licensure and passage of a federal bill that would require PE oversight of utility pipelines, following the 2018 Merrimack Valley, Massachusetts, gas line explosion.

NSPE's Manager of Government Relations and Advocacy Stephanie Hamilton called the day "a strong success" as enthusiastic NSPE members worked to build lasting relationships that will help them be seen as experts on licensure and technical matters now and in the future.

However, the week before the campaign, the Senate version of the bill was added as an amendment to a larger pipeline safety bill and watered down to remove the PE requirement. According to Hamilton, the Society was "disappointed" and "dismayed" about this change to the Leonel Rondon Pipeline Safety Act, named after the teenager killed.

It's not too late to make a difference, however. NSPE members are urged to contact their legislators.

Read More

- PE article on the advocacy campaign;
- Hamilton's column on the changes to the bill and how members can take action;
- Popular Mechanics article highlighting the personal impacts of the deadly explosion.

2019 Fall Webinar Series Open for Registration



Register now for the 2019 Fall Webinar Series! Develop your skills and earn continuing education credits this fall. Stay current on a variety of topics from the comfort of your home or office. Don't miss NSPE Deputy Executive Director and General Counsel Arthur Schwartz's Ethics Forum each month—register for individual webinars or get a special bundle price until **September 17**.

Sign up now for these webinars:

- Ethics Forum: Conflicts of Interest Employers and Clients
 September 18
- Leading Project Teams: Emerging Technologies and Smart Design
 September 25
- Mindfulness in Action

October 2

- Ethics Forum: Conflicts of Interest Vendors and Colleagues
 October 16
- Clients are from Venus, Consultants from Mars: A Guide to Effective Management of Consultants

November 6

Ethics Forum: Conflicts of Interest - Serving the Public
 November 13

And don't forget that, as part of your NSPE membership, you also receive access to 15 free online seminars.

Find Quality Candidates or a Great New Job



NSPE's online event for employers and job seekers will take place again on **October 2** from 11 am – 3 pm Eastern.

Whether you're an engineer just starting out or an experienced professional looking for a new opportunity, you can connect with employers from the comfort of your home, office, smartphone, or tablet. The event is free for job seekers.

Companies in search of top talent will be able to access professionals representing all engineering sectors around the country.

Employers: Learn more and register.

Job seekers: Learn more and register.

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