

## State News for NSPE Members

### Delaware Receives RAISE Grant for Route 9 Corridor Improvements

Delaware recently announced that it has received a \$6 million federal grant from the [Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity \(RAISE\)](#) program to help urban and rural communities move forward on projects that modernize roads, bridges, transit, rail, ports, and intermodal transportation. The funds will also help to make transportation systems safer, more accessible, more affordable, and more sustainable.

"We are looking at our road systems through a new lens and not just how we are moving automotive traffic, but all modes of transportation," Secretary of Transportation Nicole Majeski stated in a [news release](#). "Everyone deserves an equitable right to mobility and these projects will help residents of these communities travel safer and easier whether its walking, biking, using public transportation, or an automobile."

The Delaware Transit Corporation (DTC) is also receiving \$630,000 in federal funding for its Connecting Route 9 Corridor Communities project, which will improve transportation in the Delaware State Route 9 corridor. Many residents in this area are members of minority groups and live below the poverty line with limited or no access to a car. With community outreach and technical analyses, DTC will plan improvements to enhance bus service, microtransit, and the pedestrian environment to provide access to jobs, schools, healthcare, and other services.

The grant will fund preconstruction activities for the 12 projects identified in the [2017 WILMAPCO Route 9 Corridor Land Use and Transportation Plan](#) and includes surveying, establishing the existing right-of-way, and location of existing utilities along the Route 9 corridor between Wilmington and New Castle to develop more detailed concept plans that address both community impact and constructability. Construction is currently estimated to begin in 2025 on the first set of projects. [Read more.](#)

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## DNREC Seeks Community Water Project Proposals

The [Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control](#) encourages Delaware nonprofit organizations, conservation districts, community organizations, and homeowners' associations to submit project proposals to be considered for matching grant funds from DNREC's Community Water Quality Improvement Grants program.

Community Water Quality Improvement Grants assist in implementing projects or programs that improve water quality on developed lands with specific watershed improvement plans and strategies. Programs and projects selected for these grants must demonstrate innovative and sustainable methods, techniques, and/or practices for water quality improvements, with cost effective and measurable results. Funding for projects is expected to range from \$25,000 to \$75,000. Project guidelines and the grant application can be accessed [here](#).

Grant proposals should be submitted by email to [NPS.grants@delaware.gov](mailto:NPS.grants@delaware.gov) with "Community Water Quality Improvement Grants" in the subject line. The proposals must be less than 10MB. All proposals must be received by **Thursday, October 27** (4:30 p.m. EDT).



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### Featured Job

[Project Engineer, Traffic /ITS](#)

Wilmington, DE

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## Mark Your Calendar for Engineers Week 2023

Founded by NSPE in 1951, [Engineers Week](#) (February 19–25, 2023) is dedicated to ensuring a diverse and well-educated future engineering workforce. The latest theme for Engineers Week seeks to inspire the next generation by celebrating all the way engineers are **Creating the Future!** Engineers play a vital role in innovating solutions to global challenges that impact future generations. By working together to develop new technologies, products, and opportunities, engineers create new possibilities that make the world a better place.



Engineers Week is a time for you to:

- Celebrate how engineers make a difference in our world.
- Add your voice to the conversation about the need for engineers, technicians, and technologists.
- Engage students in engineering.

[Access promotional resources.](#)

### **DiscoverE Outreach Grants**

Don't miss your chance to fund your events for Engineers Week and Introduce a Girl to Engineering Day.

There are \$250-\$1000 grants available:

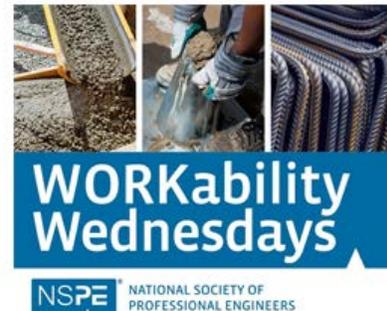
- [Bell Girl Day grants](#) for girl-centered programs
- [Engineers Week grants](#) for underserved students

The deadline to [apply for the grants](#) is November 4.



## Workability Wednesdays Webinars

The fall series of [Workability Wednesdays webinars](#) recently launched with a webinar on [What Separates Good Engineers From Great Engineers](#). The series is free for NSPE members and covers topics impacting the industry and helps to enhance your competencies in the profession.



### Upcoming Webinars

- [How Blockchain Protects Public Safety: A Working Solution](#) (October 26)
- [Navigating the Ethical Dilemmas that Arise in Everyday Engineering Practice](#) (November 16)

If you missed the spring lineup of Workability Wednesdays webinars, you can still [view the recordings](#) and receive PDH credit.

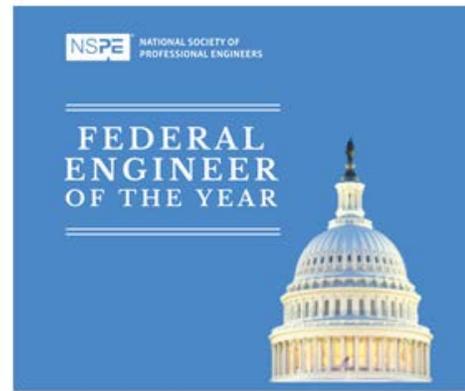
## Last Call for FEYA Nominations

Nominations for the Federal Engineer of the Year Award are open until **October 31**. The

award, sponsored by the Professional Engineers in Government, honors engineers employed by a federal agency that employs at least 50 engineers worldwide.

The FEYA ceremony is scheduled for February 24, 2023, at the National Press Club in Washington, DC. Tickets will be available for sale in January.

Nominations must be made by the federal agency. Access the application [here](#).



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