

State News for NSPE Members

Tennessee National Guard Recognized for Best Environmental Program

The Tennessee National Guard's Construction and Facilities Management Office Environmental Program was awarded an Environmental Stewardship Trophy for best overall environmental program.

The award goes to the state or territory with the highest overall score in cleanup, conservation, energy, and construction by the National Guard Bureau's Installations and Environment Directorate. Tennessee achieved the maximum allotted score in conservation, in addition to high scores in the other sections.

Conservation and compliance is crucial to the National Guard's environmental responsibilities. The Department of Defense owns 8.8 million acres of land in the United States, with 13,790 acres managed by the Tennessee National Guard. Land conservation is vital to the future force readiness, the [agency says](#).

Coalition Urges Valley Authority to Move Faster Toward Renewable Energy

A new coalition is pushing the Tennessee Valley Authority to work toward independence from fossil fuels by 2030, but the provider's goal is 2050, to ensure low-cost and reliable energy, the [Memphis Flyer reports](#).

The [Clean Up TVA Coalition](#) is made up of dozens of organizations, including environmental, social justice, and political groups like the Memphis NAACP, Southern Alliance for Clean Energy, the Sierra Club, Tennessee Interfaith Power & Light, Appalachian Voices, and more.

The coalition was formed in response to TVA's desire to replace its Kingston and Cumberland coal plants with new methane gas plants and 149 miles of new gas pipeline. The utility reportedly has the [second-highest](#) planned gas buildout by 2030 among all major utilities. The coalition is urging TVA to invest instead in clean

energy, such as solar, storage, and energy efficiency, to replace the utility's fossil fuel fleet, especially the retiring plants.



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Take the 2022 Engineering Outlook Survey

Share your opinions on current issues affecting the practice of engineering by completing the 2022 *Engineering Outlook Survey*. The survey should take approximately 15-20 minutes to complete. Once completed, you will have the option to enter our drawing for one of four \$50 Amazon gift cards.

All responses will be kept anonymous and only used in aggregated results unless you give us permission to contact you regarding your responses. The results of the survey will be shared in an upcoming article in *PE* magazine, as well as other NSPE publications (website, newsletters, social media, etc.).

[Start the survey.](#)

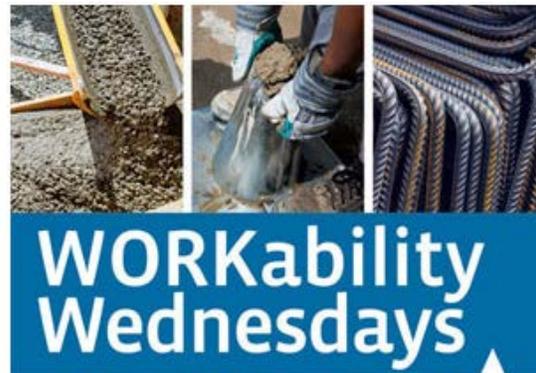
NSPE Endorses Sustainability and Resilience Statement

NSPE believes licensed professional engineers should be good stewards of the environment in order to preserve and protect our world for future generations. The NSPE Board of Directors recently endorsed “[The Role of the Engineering Community in Addressing Climate Change](#),” a statement intended to unite, energize, and motivate people within and across organizations, and to fulfill their desires for meaning and purpose in their professional lives. Facilitated by Engineering Change Lab-USA, the statement was prepared with input from a working group of sixteen organizations including NSPE.

[Read more about NSPE's position on the environment, sustainability, and resilience.](#)

New Live Webinar Series: Workability Wednesdays

Would colleagues consider you workable? How easy is it for you to mold, flow, and bend in today's work environment? Is your knowledge up-to-date and relevant? Please join us for this [new webinar series](#) to learn more about topics impacting the industry and to enhance your competencies in the profession.



These live and interactive webinars are **free** to NSPE members and will be held at 2:00 pm EDT on the first and third Wednesday of the months of April, May, and June. The next webinar on April 20 will focus on [The Future of Wichita's Water - The Northwest Water Treatment Facility](#).

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