

State News for NSPE Members

Rhode Island Ranks in Top 10 for Energy Efficiency

As Americans struggle to pay rising energy bills, leading states have instituted energy efficiency policies that cut utility bills—especially for those who need it most —while reducing greenhouse gas emissions, according to the 2022 State Energy Efficiency Scorecard. These policies can serve as models for the dozens of states that have yet to prioritize energy-saving upgrades to reduce costs for disadvantaged households, according to a news release.

California comes in first place in the 50-state scorecard (which also includes Washington, DC) from the American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy. Rounding out the top 10 are Massachusetts (#2), New York (#3), Vermont (#4), Maine (#5), Washington, DC (#6), Maryland and Rhode Island (tied at #7), Connecticut (#9), and Minnesota (#10). The scorecard ranks states in six policy areas: utility programs, transportation, building energy codes, state initiatives, industrial energy efficiency, and appliance standards.

Year One of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law

The Biden Administration recently updated state and territory fact sheets that highlight the nationwide impact of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, the largest long-term investment infrastructure and competitiveness in nearly a century. To date, over \$1 billion in funding has been announced and is headed to Rhode Island with over 30 specific projects identified for funding. Access information about Rhode Island projects here.

Stay up to date on legislative issues through the **<u>NSPE Advocacy Center</u>**.

Share Your PE Story #IAMNSPE

NSPE is a society made up of dedicated individuals who each bring a unique story and perspective to the engineering profession. NSPE members are leaders. They are connected, inclusive, committed to ethical practice, and so much more. You have established your career as a PE, but what's next? Learn how your peers have strengthened their professional toolkits and share your own story through social media. #IAMNSPE



NSPECon23 Heads to Louisville

Mark your calendars to attend **NSPECon23** in Louisville, Kentucky, August 2-4. NSPECon provides an opportunity to build your network of professional engineers and advance your career by learning new skills, expanding your expertise, and preparing for future developments in the industry. The conference presentation proposal submissions site is open (submission deadline: January 25). Stay tuned for more information on registration, session topics, sponsorship opportunities, and additional conference activities!

If you want to reminisce about the fun, comradery, engagement experienced during this year's NSPECon (Philadelphia) in preparation for NSPECon23, visit NSPE's conference photo albums on Flickr.



Take Advantage of Professional Development Opportunities

It's not too late for NSPE members to access the 2022 lineup of WORKability Wednesdays webinars. Access these free recorded webinars and earn PDHs before the end of the year.

The presentations address various topics of interest to professional engineers including the following:

 Amplifying the Current Infrastructure for the Imminent EV Transition



- Engineering: Addressing Unintended Consequences as a Professional
- What Separates Good Engineers From Great Engineers
- Ethical Case Insights: Lessons in Disclosure
- Setting and Verifying Corporate Sustainability Goals Across Environmental, Social, and Governance Topics
- Election Recap: How Can PEs Prepare for the 2023 Legislative Session

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