# June 3, 2020 Town Council Meeting

# Supplement to

Item 15 Resolution Authorizing execution of Agreement with Ascent Environmental, Inc., to prepare Environmental Impact Report at Applicant's Costs for the Marinda Heights Subdivision

Supplemental materials:

Qualifications of Ascent Environmental, Inc.



# Curtis E. Alling, AICP PRINCIPAL-IN-CHARGE

YEARS OF EXPERIENCE

40

#### **EDUCATION**

MA, Natural Resources Planning and Development, Texas A&M University

BS, Wildlife Science, Cornell University

#### CERTIFICATIONS

American Institute of Certified Planners (No. 040218)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS American Planning Association California (APACA); Legislative Review Team (2005–present); Co-chair, Enhanced CEQA Action Team (ECAT, 2011–2015)

APACA, PLAN Mentor, Sacramento Valley Section (2013, 2014)

Capitol Region Climate Readiness Collaborative, Steering Committee (2015–2018)

Association of Environmental Professionals (AEP); Instructor, Advanced CEQA Workshops, Oakland and North Bay (2010-2019); Chair, Legislative Review Committee (1995— 2004)

Governor's Climate Resilience Technical Advisory Group (2016)

#### **AWARDS AND HONORS**

State Wildlife Action Plan Update, AEP Outstanding Environmental Resource Plan

State Park Road and Trail Change-in-Use Program EIR, AEP Outstanding Environmental Analysis Document

Sacramento Climate Action Plan, APACA Innovations in Green Community Planning

Lake Tahoe Sustainability Action Plan, APA National Award for Environmental Planning Curtis E. Alling, AICP, is a recognized expert in CEQA and NEPA, and a specialist in complex environmental impact and natural resources management programs. With 40 years of experience, he has managed or directed more than 1,000 environmental, planning, and natural resources studies for federal, state, and local agencies and private industry. His projects have involved state and federal threatened and endangered species in forest, agricultural, wetland, riverine, vernal pool, Delta, coastal, foothill, Lake Tahoe Basin, and Sierra Nevada settings. He has managed numerous complex, litigious projects and large-scale NEPA and CEQA documents. His project specialties include forest/fire fuel management, water resources projects, climate change adaptation, conservation planning, endangered species compliance, flood control projects, trail planning, transportation, and open space/public lands management. Curtis has personally managed or directed 11 CEQA documents that were the subject of litigation. The defensibility record of these projects is outstanding. He also regularly instructs for the Association of Environmental Professionals, American Planning Association, UC Davis Extension, and Continuing Legal Education International on CEQA and NEPA practice, natural resources management, and climate change issues.

#### PROJECT EXPERIENCE

Lucasfilm Grady Ranch Precise Development Plan – Supplement to the 1996 Grady Ranch/Big Rock Ranch Master Plan Final EIR, Marin County Marin County Community Development Agency

Principal-in-Charge

Ascent prepared a Supplement to the 1996 Grady Ranch/Big Rock Ranch Master Plan Final EIR for the Grady Ranch Precise Development Plan (PDP). The PDP details a second phase of the implementation of the Grady Ranch/Big Rock Ranch Master Plan and Use Permit. The Grady Ranch PDP includes construction of the main building, gate house building, and main entry road; realignment of Lucas Valley Road at the main entrance to the project; improvement of West Fire Road; replacement of the fire access road to the east side of Grady Creek (East Fire Road); realignment of the Upper Fire Road around the Main Building; nine bridges; and other related improvements such as construction of two water tanks and undergrounding and extension of offsite utilities. The project incorporates low impact development (LID) practices to manage stormwater through a natural system that is coordinated with SCA restoration and enhancement. The remaining parcel area of 187 acres around the 52-acre development area will be preserved as private open space.

Point Reyes Affordable Housing Project EIR, Point Reyes Station, Marin County Marin County Community Development Agency

Project Director

The project proposed the development of a 36-unit, mixed-use residential project on an 18-acre property located in Point Reyes Station in Marin County. The affordable units were to be restricted to low- and moderate-income levels. A visitor-serving commercial parcel was included in the project, which was expected to be for lodging and retail use. The project also included the construction of a 30-space public parking lot, public restrooms, and dedication of approximately



# Curtis E. Alling, AICP

2.5 acres of land for permanent open space purposes. Key issues addressed in the EIR included the effects on groundwater quality and domestic wells from on-site septic systems, effects on surface hydrology from irrigation and stormwater runoff, and the effects on the architectural character of the town from new construction. Traffic impacts, public service availability, visual effects, and wetland protection were other important issues.

California Vegetation (Fire Fuel) Treatment Program PEIR, Statewide California Board of Forestry and Fire Protection

Project Director/Principal-in-Charge

The Board initiated a new statewide California Vegetation Treatment Program (CalVTP) to support fire fuel treatment of 250,000 acres per year in the State Responsibility Area in response to the growing wildfire crisis. The Program EIR will substantially streamline implementation of later activities consistent with CalVTP strategies for fire fuel reduction, fuel break development, and ecosystem restoration. Treatment actions include fire breaks, fuel reduction through mechanical removal and controlled burns, and habitat restoration. Other VTP goals include control of unwanted vegetation, including invasive species, improvement of rangeland for livestock grazing, improvement of fish and wildlife habitat, enhancement and protection of riparian areas and wetlands, and improvement of water quality in priority watersheds. Ascent is the prime consultant for EIR preparation, with Curtis leading environmental strategy approaches and quality assurance.

Lawson's Landing Master Plan EIR, Warin County Marin County Community Development Agency

Project Director

Lawson's Landing is a privately owned campground, recreational day-use facility, ranch, and sand quarry located adjacent to Bodega and Tomales Bays and south of the village of Dillon Beach in northwestern Marin County. The property encompasses Tomales Dunes and sits astride the San Andreas Fault. Lawson's Landing has been owned and operated by the Lawson family since the 1920s, and it is operated under a Permit to Operate issued by the California Department of Housing and Community Development. The operators requested Master Plan approval, a Coastal Permit, and a Tidelands Permit. The Master Plan includes modifications to the existing operations to improve basic services, such as water distribution and wastewater disposal, replacement of certain existing facilities, construction of new facilities, and environmental enhancement and education programs. Key environmental issues included disposal and treatment of wastewater in a coastal dune setting, potential water quality impacts related to wastewater treatment and disposal, effects on dune ecology related to dune stabilization for construction of the proposed septic fields and from human disturbance, geologic hazards, and effects on cultural resources.

Waldo Point Harbor Project EIR, Marin County Marin County Community Development Agency

Project Director

Curtis directed a second EIR prepared to address alternative approaches to develop a floating home marina for the Gates Cooperative community as part of Waldo Point Harbor, Richardson Bay, Marin County. As a follow-up to the earlier Gates Cooperative Floating Home Marina EIR managed by Curtis, the second document addressed another plan that was defined through a settlement agreement between the State and Marin County. The project proposed to provide legal, code-compliant berth spaces for the Gates Cooperative floating homes in Waldo Point Harbor. The EIR examined a variety of issues, including storm wave exposure, contamination of bay mud, visual impacts, traffic and parking, public access, public trust doctrine, BCDC policies, and consistency with the Marin Countywide Plan, Richardson Bay Special Area Plan, and Bayfront Conservation Zone policies. Alternative plans were formulated and evaluated in the EIR, including a plan suggested by the houseboat community, called the Community Development Alternative.

Buck Center for Research in Aging EIR, Marin County Marin County Community Development Agency

Project Manager

The proposed project was highly controversial as a biomedical research facility involving medical research into aging and health. Located just north of Novato, the project site occupied a prominent hillside that was visible to U.S. Highway 101 and constrained by several recent and historic landslides. The project involved preparation of a Revised (Recirculated) Final EIR on the 355,000-square-foot research facility designed by I. M. Pei, 130 units of housing for researchers, and an extensive landslide remediation program. Key issues were grading and slope stability, health hazards from medical research activities, drainage, oak tree removal, hillside visibility, trail access, and traffic. The EIR was certified and successfully defended despite considerable controversy.



# Kristi Black, JD SENIOR ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT MANAGER

YEARS OF EXPERIENCE

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#### **EDUCATION**

JD, University of California, Berkeley, School of Law, 2012

BA, Earth Science, Minor, Economics, San José State University, 2008

#### TRAINING

Continuing education courses include: CEQA updates; transportation analysis under CEQA; environmental baseline definition under NEPA, CEQA, and the ESA; Native American consultation under AB 52; CEQA mitigation measure enforcement; and, CEQA climate change impact analysis. Completed a Harvard Extension School course entitled, "Measure, Report, Reduce: Practical Methods for Greenhouse Gas Emissions Management."

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Member of the California State Bar

# REPRESENTATIVE PROFESSIONAL WORKSHOPS/PRESENTATIONS

Toeing the CEQA Line: Preparing Defensible CEQA Documents for Linear Projects (Co-Presenter, California AEP Annual Conference, 2019)

Environmental Compliance Best Practices to Reduce Project Delays (Co-Presenter, APWA NorCal Chapter Annual Public Works Conference, November 2018)

AEP Advanced CEQA Workshop (Co-Instructor, February 2018, February 2019)

AEP CEQA Essentials Workshop (Co-Instructor, November 2017, November 2018)

CEQA/NEPA: A Comparative Evaluation of Permitting Timeframes and Costs Across Jurisdictions and the Association with Agency-Established Procedures and Templates (Co-Presenter, California AEP Annual Conference, 2014)

Kristi Black, JD, has focused her career on managing and contributing to the preparation of documentation to support CEQA and NEPA compliance, mainly for infrastructure and energy development projects and public agency clients. She has conducted research for and drafted CEQA and NEPA document sections for electric transmission, natural gas, renewable energy, telecommunications, road and bridge infrastructure, and other projects. During projects involving the CEQA process, she has interacted with and presented to the public at public meetings and also served as the main point of contact for the public. Kristi works closely with agency representatives to define project scopes and streamline permitting efforts; she offers a thorough understanding of the state and federal regulatory environment in California. In addition to managing CEQA and NEPA for infrastructure projects, Kristi has a wealth of planning and community outreach experience to assist clients.

#### PROJECT EXPERIENCE

Wildfire Protection and Habitat Improvement Plan IS and EIR, Marin County Marin Municipal Water District

Deputy Project Manager

The highly controversial Wildfire Protection and Habitat Improvement Plan (WPHIP) outlined a program for fire risk management and biodiversity protection for lands managed by the Marin Municipal Water District. Kristi drafted the IS to determine which impacts should be addressed in the EIR. She also wrote the first draft of the EIR project description, refining the complex WPHIP into a description that could be easily understood by the public. She helped prepare for and attended the scoping meeting, and then reviewed and categorized significant numbers of written and verbal scoping comments. She applied her understanding of issues raised by the comments to recommend alternatives best suited for analysis in the EIR. Kristi drafted the geology and soils, noise, traffic and transportation, and air quality sections of the EIR (including cumulative impacts sections for those resources) while working with project subconsultant resource specialists. Drafting the air quality section required extensive technical coordination with subconsultant air quality and fire specialists regarding air quality modeling, given that the WPHIP covered a multitude of activities and a number of different actions (e.g., prescribed burning, mechanical vegetation management, and heavy equipment use). She also revised the aesthetics and cultural sections drafted by and received from subconsultants.

Mesa Substation Project EIR, Los Angeles County California Public Utilities Commission

Project Manager/Director

An EIR was prepared for CPUC to meet CEQA requirements for a substation project that includes transmission and telecommunications components. Kristi managed preparation of the EIR, which included reviewing many of the environmental impact analysis sections. She also was the lead author for the alternatives and cumulative impact analysis sections, which required, respectively, extensive coordination with a specialized engineering firm and a detailed review of potential projects in several jurisdictions. Once the Draft EIR was released, Kristi led the well-attended meeting on the Draft EIR, giving a presentation to the public about the project and how to



### Kristi Black, JD

comment on the project. For the Final EIR. she managed fast-track delivery of responses to comments and production of the EIR. The turnaround time between the close of the Draft EIR comment period and the release of the Final EIR was just over three months. As the project moved into mitigation monitoring, she assumed the role of project director.

Valley—lyyglen Subtransmission Line and Alberhill System Projects EIR, Riverside County California Public Utilities Commission

Deputy Project Manager

An EIR was developed that analyzed environmental impacts of the Valley-Ivyglen Subtransmission and Alberhill System projects. The projects are separate, but the EIR analyzed both projects. The Valley-Ivyglen project would include a 26-mile, 115-kV subtransmission line, and the Alberhill System project would include a 500-kV substation and about 23 miles of transmission line in Southern California. Kristi served as deputy project manager and technical author for the Draft EIR; she also led the public meetings for the Draft EIR. She drafted the cumulative impacts and cultural resources sections of the EIR. Drafting the cumulative impacts section of the EIR involved assembling a project list across several jurisdictions in an area with numerous ongoing development projects. She also contributed to the comparison of alternatives analysis and provided senior review to many resource sections of the EIR. Kristi led two well-attended public Draft EIR meetings for the controversial projects, giving the presentation about EIR content and accepting comments from meeting attendees. For the Final EIR, she served as a technical author, drafting responses to key comments that raised complex CEQA-related issues.

Laurel Way Residential Development EIR, San Mateo County City of Redwood City

Environmental Scientist

For the proposed 16-unit hillside residential development project, Kristi drafted the public services and utilities, geology and soils, and hydrology and water quality sections of the Draft EIR. She also reviewed the Draft EIR biological resources section.

Santa Cruz 115 kV Reinforcement Project IS/MND, Santa Cruz County

California Public Utilities Commission

Deputy Project Manager/Environmental Scientist

The project involved reinforcing an existing 115-kV 7-mile power line, construction of about 2 miles of new 115-kV power line, and modifications at one substation. Kristi researched sensitive habitat disturbance and tree removal constraints, which included coordinating with Santa Cruz County about mitigation obligations. She also contributed significantly to the text for the mandatory findings of significance section of the IS/MND, including the cumulative impacts analysis. Kristi managed classification of public comments on the draft IS/MND and, after CPUC decided to prepare an EIR, drafted the Notice of Preparation and managed preparation of the scoping report. She also served as the point of public contact during much of the CEQA process for the project.

Saratoga Filter Plant Facilities Plan Environmental Constraints Analysis, Santa Clara County San Jose Water Company (Kennedy/Jenks)

Project Manager

Ascent prepared a constraints analysis to identify environmental and permitting challenges and benefits associated with siting a new filtration and disinfection facility at a new site on the San Jose Water Company land. This memorandum ultimately informed selection of a Final Recommended Alternative. Kristi led preparation of the memorandum, which covers environmental constraints as well as the likely level of effort for permitting. The memorandum evaluated several sites and discussed challenges and benefits associated with each, including permitting timelines and the potential to avoid environmental resources of concern.

Napa Pipe Development Project Environmental Checklist, Napa County City of Napa

Project Manager

Ascent is preparing an environmental checklist to evaluate proposed changes to a mixed-use development project that was previously approved by the County of Napa using a project-level EIR. Most of the project has since been annexed by the City of Napa, and the applicant proposes several changes to the project. The checklist will be used to determine whether changes in the project or changes in circumstances were adequately covered in the project EIR or whether a Subsequent or Supplemental EIR is required.



# Claudia Garcia ASSISTANT PROJECT MANAGER

YEARS OF EXPERIENCE

#### **EDUCATION**

MS, Environmental Studies, California State University, Fullerton, 2015 3

BS, Molecular Environmental Biology, University of California, Berkeley, 2010

BA, Anthropology, University of California, Berkeley, 2010

#### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Association of Environmental Professionals, San Francisco Bay Area Chapter, CEQA Workshops Coordinator

City of Richmond, Planning Commissioner

FOREIGN LANGUAGES
Spanish

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

Garcia, Claudia. (2015). "Population Differentiation in Fennel Across a Water Availability Gradient." MS Project. California State University, Fullerton. Claudia Garcia is an environmental planner with 3 years of experience working with a broad range of projects and environmental issues, participating in community outreach, and preparing environmental analyses for CEQA documents. She has managed and helped manage programmatic and project-specific environmental documents for infill development projects, general plans, and specific plans. Claudia's responsibilities have included project management as well as writing, editing, and compiling the various sections of environmental documents. As the CEQA Essentials and Advanced Workshop coordinator for the Association of Environmental Professionals, San Francisco Bay Area Chapter, she understands the regulatory guidelines and legal requirements, as well as the nuts and bolts of preparing defensible CEQA documents.

#### PROJECT EXPERIENCE

California Vegetation Treatment Program PEIR, Statewide California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

**Environmental Planner** 

The California Vegetation Treatment Program (CalVTP) is the statewide program to reduce wildfire risk and diminish or avoid the harmful effects of wildfire on people, property, and natural resources in the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection's (CALFIRE) State Responsibility Area (SRA). As part of the CalVTP, CALFIRE and other project proponents would implement vegetation treatment activities on up to approximately 250,000 acres annually to help meet the governor's goals in response to California's wildfire crisis. Treatment types include fuel breaks, wildland-urban interface fuel reduction, and ecological restoration. As the primary consultant, Ascent is managing the preparation of a program EIR to evaluate the potential impacts associated with implementation of CalVTP. Claudia authored multiple sections, including agriculture and forestry resources, public services, recreation, and utilities and service systems.

Southeast Greenway General Plan Amendment and Rezoning EIR, Sonoma County

City of Santa Rosa

Project Manager/Environmental Planner

A program EIR was prepared to evaluate potential environmental effects of the Southeast Greenway General Plan Amendment and Rezoning project which would amend the Santa Rosa General Plan 2035 to facilitate future development of up to 47.2 acres of parks and recreational uses, 244 multi-family housing units, and 12,000 square feet of commercial space within a 57-acre area located in southeast Santa Rosa. No specific construction-level development was proposed as part of the project. Claudia served as the assistant project manager for this project. Her duties included client and staff coordination, CEQA noticing, and overall EIR document preparation. Claudia prepared the environmental analysis for the following topic areas; aesthetics, cultural and tribal cultural resources, geology and soils, hazards and hazardous materials, land use and planning, population and housing, public services and recreation, and utilities and services systems. The EIR was released for public review in August 2017. The project was put on hold following the Santa Rosa fire in 2017.



#### Claudia Garcia

South Industrial Priority Area Specific Plan, Fresno County City of Fresno

Assistant Project Manager/Environmental Planner

The City of Fresno is preparing the South Industrial Priority Area Specific Plan to facilitate opportunities for economic growth, job creation, and promote development of underutilized lands in the planning area. The Specific Plan would establish a planning framework to facilitate and guide future development in the 6,150-acre planning area through the year 2040. Ascent is the prime consultant and is preparing the EIR for this project. The EIR will evaluate potential impacts associated with development of the planning area. Claudia serves as the assistant project manager and primary author of the document.

Woodbury Highlands IS/MIND. Contra Costa County City of Lafayette

Environmental Planner

An IS/MND was prepared to evaluate potential environmental effects of the Woodbury Highlands project, which proposed to develop 99 multi-family residential units on a 6.55-acre site in Lafayette. Claudia assisted the project manager with overall IS/MND preparation. She prepared various environmental analyses, including aesthetics, biological resources, cultural resources, tribal cultural resources, geology and soils, hazards and hazardous materials, land use and planning, population and housing, public services, recreation, and utilities and service systems.

Butcher's Corner Project Draft EIR, Santa Clara County City of Sunnyvale

Environmental Planner

An IS/MND was prepared to evaluate potential environmental effects of the Butcher's Corner project, which would develop 138 multi-family housing units and 6,934 square feet of retail/office space. Claudia assisted the project manager with overall EIR preparation and prepared various environmental analyses, including land use and planning, and public services and recreation.

The Hamptons Redevelopment Project Initial Study, Santa Clara County City of Cupertino

Environmental Planner

An IS/MND was prepared to evaluate potential environmental effects of the Hamptons Redevelopment project which would develop 342 multi-family residential project on a 12.4-acre site in the City of Cupertino. Claudia assisted the project manager with overall IS/MND preparation, and prepared various environmental analyses, including aesthetics, land use and planning, population and housing, public services, and recreation.

Marina Plaza Project Initial Study. Santa Clara County City of Cupertino

Environmental Planner

An IS/MND was prepared to evaluate potential environmental effects of the Marina Plaza project which would develop a 122-room hotel and two mixed-use buildings with 23,000 square feet of commercial space and 188 multi-family housing units in the City of Cupertino. Claudia assisted the project manager with overall IS/MND preparation, and prepared various environmental analyses, including aesthetics, land use and planning, population and housing, public services, and recreation.

Project Management Services, Santa Clara County Santa Clara County

Assistant Project Manager/Environmental Planner

Ascent is providing project management services to Santa Clara County for current quarry projects including the Permanente Creek Restoration Project and EIR and the Stevens Creek Quarry Reclamation Plan Amendment and EIR. As part of this effort Ascent will serve as the primary contact for the project, manage the CEQA consultant through the environmental review process, and provide input on technical reports that support the EIR. As assistant project manager, Claudia will ensure that regular communication with the County is maintained and project deliverables are provided on a timely basis.



# Lily Bostrom FORESTRY MANAGEMENT TASK LEADER

#### YEARS OF EXPERIENCE

#### **EDUCATION**

MS, Environmental Management, University of San Francisco, 2014 6

BS, Marine Biology, University of California, Santa Cruz, 2008

#### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Association of Environmental Professionals, San Francisco Chapter – Member, Board of Directors and Treasurer

#### PUBLICATIONS

Gilbert, Eleanor. (2014). "What Role Can CEQA Play in Reaching GHG Emissions Reductions Goals Set Forth in AB 32 – An Analysis of CEQA, AB 32, and Recommendations for CEQA Reform." MS Thesis. University of San Francisco. Lily Bostrom is an experienced environmental planner and project manager with over 6 years of experience in environmental consulting. She has managed environmental compliance documents for forest management plans, park/open space land use plans, and electrical transmission and infrastructure for projects in Northern and Central California, as well as along the San Francisco Bay shoreline. In addition to managing projects, Lily has extensive experience in writing sections for all types of CEQA and NEPA environmental documents as well as for various types of projects, including park and open space development, forestry work including prescription burning, land use/urban development, and transportation infrastructure including highways, bike and pedestrian paths, bridges, bus rapid transit, and high-speed rail. In her spare time, she serves on the Board of Directors for the California Association of Environmental Professionals in the Bay Area; she has been the acting treasurer since early 2017.

Lily's experience enables her to successfully manage CEQA projects and support environmental planning teams in preparing high quality environmental analysis, with a specialized focus on local, regional, and state parkland, forestland, and public open spaces where sensitive coastal and forest resource issues need to be addressed. She thrives in a complex and dynamic field, which offers the opportunity to develop innovative measures and minimize project-related impacts to the environment.

#### PROJECT EXPERIENCE

Miller/Knox Regional Shoreline Land Use Plan Amendment Program EIR, Contra Costa County

East Bay Regional Park District

Project Manager

Lily is the project manager leading the CEQA review for the Miller/Knox Regional Shoreline Land Use Plan Amendment (LUPA). Miller/Knox Regional Shoreline is a shoreline park in the community of Point Richmond. Ascent is assisting the East Bay Regional Park District with preparation of a program EIR to analyze the significant environmental effects associated with implementation of the LUPA. Lily participated in the scoping process and organized interagency coordination with responsible agencies to identify key issues and expectations early in the CEQA process, including BCDC, State Lands Commission, San Francisco Bay RWQCB, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and CDFW. Key areas of analysis include biological resources, cultural and historic resources, aesthetics, climate change adaptation/sea level rise resilience, and hydrology and water quality.

Vegetation Treatment Program, Statewide California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

**Environmental Planner** 

Ascent is working with the Board of Forestry and Fire Protection (CALFIRE) to review the Recirculated Draft Vegetation Treatment Program (VTP) Program EIR and comment letters received to assess the environmental document's adequacy under CEQA and its potential to withstand legal challenge. Lily was the lead on the review of several sections and corresponding



# Lily Bostrom

comment letters, including hazardous materials and wastes, aesthetics, cultural resources, and recreation. Lily provided recommendations for incorporating public comments into the VTP Program EIR and to strengthen sections for legal adequacy under CEQA.

CEQA/NEPA Environmental Consulting Services for Open Space and Recreation Projects, Santa Clara County Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority (SCVOSA)

Project Manager

Ascent was added to the Authority's on-call list of consultants for CEQA and NEPA environmental services for projects across their many preserves. Lily is managing the contract, which has included 4 work orders to date including CEQA analysis for recreation improvements on lands within and adjacent to Coyote Ridge, cultural and biological surveys for a proposed pedestrian bridge over Llagas Creek and day-use area, and CEQA review for an integrated pest management program. Lily has prepared and reviewed scopes of work and budgets for each of these projects, coordinated with the Santa Clara Valley Habitat Authority on requirements related to their Habitat Conservation Plan, and led CEQA strategy discussions with the Authority to determine the appropriate level of CEQA review and extent of biological surveys.

Tásmam Kojóm Maidu Tribal Park Land Management Plan, Plumas County Maidu Summit Consortium/California Department of Fish and Wildlife

Environmental Planner

Ascent prepared a Land Management Plan (LMP) guiding long-term management of the 2,300-acre Tásmam Kojóm, a montane valley in Plumas County. Lily authored a stand-alone impact assessment for the forestry prescriptions outlined in the LMP. Lily developed the project description and authored sections including cultural resources, aesthetics and visual resources, land use and planning, agriculture and forestry resources, and greenhouse gas emissions. The analysis is intended to support future CEQA review of the LMP and individual forest management actions.

Castle Crags State Park Root Creek Drainage Forest Management Plan and Public Safety Improvement Project IS/MND, Shasta County

California State Parks

Project Manager

Lily is managing the preparation of an IS/MND, wetland delineation, and permit packages (Clean Water Act Section 401, 404, and Fish and Game Code Section 1602 streambed alteration) for the development and implementation of a Forest Management Plan and emergency access route for Castle Crags State Park. The forest plan will guide future fire risk reduction and habitat management of the forest within the Root Creek Drainage, including prescription burning, ongoing vegetation management, and a new emergency access route.

Diamond Valley Lake/Lake Skinner Trail Plan, Riverside County Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (Metropolitan)

Project Manager

Metropolitan proposes to construct hiking and biking trails on land adjacent to and between Metropolitan's Diamond Valley Lake and Lake Skinner reservoirs and within the Southwestern Riverside County Multi-Species Reserve in Riverside County. Lily is managing the project, which includes preparation of a feasibility analysis, design and construction documents, an operations and maintenance plan, and associated CEQA analysis. Lily drafted the project description for the trails plan and oversaw the preparation of the feasibility analysis, as well as biological and cultural technical reports. Preparation of the design and construction documents, along with the CEQA analysis, is expected to occur this summer.

BART Phase II Extension Project EIS/EIR, Santa Clara County Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority

Semor Associate Planner

Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) prepared a Supplemental EIS and 3rd Supplemental EIR for the remaining 6.2 miles of the BART extension project from the Berryessa area in San Jose to Santa Clara known as the Phase II Project. Lily was responsible for several technical sections of the environmental document, including land use and planning and visual and aesthetic resources. She conducted several site visits to document existing land uses and identify key viewpoints for the development of visual simulations.



# Austin Kerr SENIOR SPECIALIST—AIR QUALITY, NOISE, AND ENERGY

YEARS OF EXPERIENCE

17

#### **EDUCATION**

BA, Economics and Sociology, Oberlin College

# REPRESENTATIVE PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

Association of Environmental Professionals CEQA Essentials and Advanced CEQA Seminar, San Jose (2016)

#### TRAINING/CERTIFICATIONS

Lakes Environmental Software Course: Air Dispersion Modeling Workshop

Dillingham Software Engineering, Inc. and BlueScape Environmental: Air Toxics Health Risk Assessment Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District (SMAQMD) Course: Air Quality Impact Assessment Workshop

California Air Resources Board (CARB)
Course #100: Fundamentals of
Enforcement/Visible Emissions
Evaluation and Course #243: Aggregate
Plants

#### **AFFILIATIONS**

Association of Environmental Professionals (AEP)

Air and Waste Management Association (AWMA)

Clean Air Society of Australia and New Zealand (CASANZ)

#### **PUBLICATIONS:**

The Precautionary Principle in Sustainable Development and Environmental Health, co-authored with Dr. Jaymie Meliker, published in Global Environment: Problems and Policies by Atlantic Publishers and Distributers,

#### PRESENTATIONS

UC Davis Extension Course, Ecological Considerations for Planning and Site Design (Air Quality and Noise Modules) (2017)

The State of Roadside Air Toxics Analysis in CEQA, a presentation at the Educational Conference on the Role of Vegetation in Reducing Roadside Near-Roadway Pollution (June 2, 2015) Austin Kerr is a senior scientist and air quality, climate change, and noise specialist with 17 years of experience assessing impacts of proposed development projects. In addition to his proficient use of multiple emission estimation models (e.g., California Emissions Estimator Model [CalEEMod], the emission factors model [EMFAC2014], the Off-Road Emissions Inventory Program [OFFROAD] and protocols (e.g., the Local Government Protocols) for estimating mass emissions levels, Austin has developed sophisticated sets of spreadsheet calculations. He has evaluated a range of noise impact issues, including the potential for residents to experience sleep disturbance, conversation disruption, or noticeable ground vibration levels from noise and vibration generated by nearby freeways/roadways, light-rail lines, airports, and construction activity.

Austin's work addressing airborne toxics includes conducting or overseeing Health Risk Assessments for truck distribution centers, large-scale construction projects, and racetrack facilities. He is also managing the development of a Community Risk Reduction Plan for the City of Hayward that will demarcate areas in the city with high levels of health risk and identify measures for reducing levels of health risk exposure. Austin has applied multiple models to analyze health risk, including the Hot Spots Analysis Reporting Program (HARP), and the American Meteorological Society/Environmental Protection Agency Regulatory Model Improvement Committee modeling system (AERMOD).

#### PROJECT EXPERIENCE

California Vegetation Treatment Program PEIR, Statewide California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

Senior Air Quality and Climate Change Analyst

The California Vegetation Treatment Program (CalVTP) is the statewide program to treat vegetation that could become fire fuel and serves as one component of the state's range of actions to reduce wildfire risk and diminish or avoid the harmful effects of wildfire on people, property, and natural resources within the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection's (CALFIRE) State Responsibility Area (SRA). As part of the CalVTP, CALFIRE and other project proponents would implement vegetation treatment activities on up to approximately 250,000 acres annually to help meet the governor's goals in response to California's wildfire crisis. Treatment types include fuel breaks, wildland-urban interface fuel reduction, and ecological restoration. Treatment activities include mechanical treatment, manual treatment, herbicide application, prescribed herbivory, and prescribed burns. Austin led the CEQA strategy for assessing localized and regional air pollutant emissions, GHG emissions, and carbon sequestration effects of fuel treatment activities and served as senior reviewer on the air quality, GHG, and energy sections of the PEIR. A key issue in the GHG analysis was how to make defensible significance determinations in light of the lack of scientific consensus around the longterm carbon sequestration effects of wildfire and fuel treatment activities. Austin reviewed current literature and coordinated with experts at the California Air Resources Board and the developers of the California Natural and Working Lands Model to address this issue.



#### Austin Kerr

EBMUD Water Supply Management Plan EIR, Northern California East Bay Municipal Utility District

Air Quality and Climate Change Analyst

Austin conducted a program-level analysis of the potential air quality impacts associated with the implementation of the East Bay Municipal Utility District's (EBMUD) long-term plan to provide adequate water to its service area. This analysis examined the air quality impacts of six different action alternatives, consisting of different mixes of 10 different water supply components. The types of facilities associated with the water supply components included new or expanded reservoirs, a regional desalination plant, groundwater recharge facilities, extraction wells, pipelines, and a pre-treatment plant. Because these facilities would be located across four separate air districts—Bay Area Air Quality Management District, San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District, Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District, and Amador County Air Pollution Control District—the analysis offered a unique opportunity to compare and contrast their respective CEQA guidance, significance thresholds, and recommended mitigation measures. Austin also prepared the analysis of GHG emissions associated with the construction and operation of these facilities.

Update to CEQA Air Quality Guidelines for Air Quality, Community Risk, and GHG Thresholds Bay Area Air Quality Management District

Senior Air Quality, Climate Change, and Noise Specialist

Ascent is providing CEQA expertise to assist BAAQMD staff in updating their current CEQA Air Quality Guidelines. These guidelines serve as a tool by which local jurisdictions will evaluate impact analysis methodologies, significance thresholds, and mitigation strategies. Ascent staff are providing technical support in the revision of these guidelines based on current scientific knowledge, local and regional air quality standards, and federal and state law since the last release of the District's guidelines.

Mount Umunhum Environmental Restoration and Public Access Project EIR, Santa Clara County Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District

Air Quality, Climate Change, and Noise Analyst

Ascent authored the air quality, climate change, and noise sections of an EIR for the Mount Umunhum Environmental Restoration and Public Access Project, which includes demolition of structures of a former air force station located at the peaks of Mount Umunhum and Mount Thayer in the Santa Cruz mountains. After demolition, the project involves ecological and landform restoration and would include several trail connections, open space amenities, viewing and ceremonial areas, and a visitors center. One of the primary issues addressed was the fate of an existing radar tower—a massive, five-story, concrete cube visible from much of the South Bay Area and an important landmark for the community and for local veterans. The mountain-top site also is important to Ohlone culture. Historic and archaeological resources were the primary environmental issues evaluated in the EIR, with other issues including habitat effects, wildland fire hazard, traffic, access and parking, aesthetics, and visitor use effects.

La Honda Creek Open Space Master Plan IS/MND, San Mateo County Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District

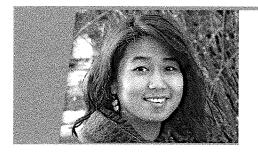
Senior Air Quality, Climate Change, and Noise Analyst

Ascent prepared the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for the La Honda Creek Open Space Master Plan. The La Honda Creek Open Space Preserve encompasses 5,759 acres of coastal hills and forest in San Mateo County. The Master Plan establishes a long-term (30-year) vision for the preserve to guide future decisions affecting use and management of the land. The Master Plan includes retention of all existing uses within the preserve with the addition of: expanded public access; reintroduction of grazing into the northern portion; construction of additional parking areas, facilities, and trails; habitat restoration and enhancement; and adoption of resource management and public access policies. Austin conducted the air quality and noise analysis for the project.

I AMD Place Redevelopment Project EIR City of Sunnyvale

Air Quality and GHG Specialist

As the Senior Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas Specialist, Austin is working closely with the city to develop a legally defensible approach to analyzing the project's greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions that accounts for the fact that the City has not yet completed a climate action plan that is aligned with the statewide GHG target established by Senate Bill 32 of 2016 and no air district in California has recommended thresholds of significance for this topic. Austin is working to develop a comprehensive list of feasible on-site GHG reduction measures applicable to the project. These measures will address GHG emissions associated with energy consumption, vehicle trips, and construction.



# Angie Xiong ENVIRONMENTAL AND SUSTAINABILITY PLANNER—AIR QUALITY/GREENHOUSE GAS/CLIMATE CHANGE

YEARS OF EXPERIENCE

**EDUCATION** 

MA, Sustainability, School of Sustainability, Arizona State University, Tempe, 2013

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BA, English Literature and Religious Studies, Wellesley College, Wellesley, MA, 2009

SOFTWARE CAPABILITIES
GoogleEarth, CalEEMod, EMFAC,
OFFROAD

FOREIGN LANGUAGE Chinese (Mandarin)

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

Eakin, A., J. P. Connors, C. Wharton, F. Bertmann, A. Xiong, and J. Stolzfus. (2016). "Identifying attributes of food system sustainability: emerging themes and consensus," *Journal of Agriculture and Human Values*. DOI 10.1007/s10460-016-9754-8

Wiek, A., A. Xiong, K. Brundiers, and S. van der Leeuw. (2014). "Integrating problem- and project-based learning into sustainability programs: A case study on the School of Sustainability at Arizona State University," *International Journal of Sustainability in Higher Education*, 15 (4). 431–449

Xiong, A. (2013). "Participatory Design of a Comprehensive Playground Intervention Manual for Obesity Mitigation in Phoenix, AZ," MA Thesis. School of Sustainability, Arizona State University, Tempe.

Xiong, A., K. Talbot, A. Wiek, and B. Kay. (2012). "Integrated health care for communities – participatory visioning and strategy building for a new Mountain Park Health Center clinic in Phoenix," Project Report. Sustainability Transition and Intervention Lab, School of Sustainability, Arizona State University, Tempe.

Angie Xiong is an environmental and sustainability planner with a broad range of experience in environmental impact analysis; air quality, greenhouse gas, energy, and noise technical analysis; climate action planning; and public outreach. She has prepared a variety of CEQA and NEPA environmental documents, including environmental impact reports, initial studies, addendums, and technical studies. Angie has experience working on various types of planning projects related to recreation and natural resource management, transportation infrastructure, water infrastructure, land use development, and climate action plans.

She obtained her master's degree from the School of Sustainability at Arizona State University, where she focused on systems thinking, life-cycle assessment, ecosystem services, climate change, and the participatory design of sustainability interventions. As a member of the Sustainability Transition and Intervention Lab, Angie worked with a diverse set of stakeholders in a low-income community to design health provisioning systems that considered a wide range of impacts on health outcomes, including built environment, access to healthy food, and socioeconomic factors. Prior to working at Ascent, she consulted on long-term strategic planning for government and nonprofit organizations, honing skills in data management and analysis,

#### PROJECT EXPERIENCE

California Vegetation Treatment Program PEIR, Statewide California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

Air Quality and Climate Change Analyst

The California Vegetation Treatment Program (CalVTP) is the statewide program to treat vegetation that could become fire fuel and serves as one component of the state's range of actions to reduce wildfire risk and diminish or avoid the harmful effects of wildfire on people, property, and natural resources within the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection's (CALFIRE) State Responsibility Area (SRA). As part of the CalVTP, CALFIRE and other project proponents would implement vegetation treatment activities on up to approximately 250,000 acres annually to help meet the governor's goals in response to California's wildfire crisis. Treatment types include fuel breaks, wildland-urban interface fuel reduction, and ecological restoration. Treatment activities include mechanical treatment, manual treatment, herbicide application, prescribed herbivory, and prescribed burns. Angie is researching and developing new methodology to analyze air pollutant emissions, GHG emissions, and carbon sequestration effects of fuel treatment activities. She authored the air quality and greenhouse gas sections of the PEIR for the highly controversial program.

Sierra Nevada Conservancy Proposition 1 Grant Program CEQA Compliance, Sierra Nevada Region

California Department of General Services/Sierra Nevada Conservancy

Air Quality and Climate Change Analyst

Ascent is managing CEQA compliance for the Sierra Nevada Conservancy's Proposition 1 Grant Program, which provides grant funding for watershed restoration and forest management projects throughout the Sierra Nevada. Ascent evaluates grant proposals and develops CEQA compliance strategies in consultation with Conservancy staff and legal counsel. Angie assisted in



### Angie Xiong

the preparation of a variety of CEQA documents as necessary to support the Conservancy's award of grant funding for selected projects, including IS/MNDs and IS/NDs for forestry projects in the Sierra Nevada.

Miller/Knox Regional Shoreline Land Use Plan Amendment EIR, Contra Costa County East Bay Regional Park District

Assistant Project Manager

Miller/Knox is a shoreline park in the community of Point Richmond. The LUPA is intended to enhance the park's recreational, interpretive, biological, historic, and scenic values and fully incorporate and interconnect the trails and paths throughout the park and with the Bay Trail. Ascent is assisting the East Bay Regional Park District with preparation of a Program EIR to analyze the significant environmental effects associated with implementation of the LUPA. Enhancement of an existing lagoon and protection of historic features are two priorities. Key areas of analysis will include biological resources, cultural/historic resources, aesthetics, climate change adaptation/sea level rise, and hydrology/water quality. Angie authored the hazards, noise, greenhouse gas and climate change, and air quality analyses. She also assisted with scoping and document preparation, and participated in client meetings as an air quality and climate change specialist.

Castle Crags State Park Root Creek Drainage Forest Fuels Management and Public Safety Improvement Project, Shasta and Siskivou Counties

California State Parks

Environmental Planner

Angie is conducting environmental, air quality, and greenhouse gas analysis for the development and implementation of a Forest Management Plan and emergency access project for Castle Crags State Park. The park is in the upper reaches of the Sacramento River Canyon in northern Shasta County and extends from the Sacramento River to the base of Castle Crags. The park's forested area has become notably overstocked. Coupled with a forest health problem, an overcrowded forest situation increases the area's susceptibility to damaging wildland fire events. The Forest Plan will guide future fire risk reduction and habitat management of the forest in the Root Creek Drainage, including prescription burning, ongoing vegetation management, and a new emergency access route. The park contains multiple campgrounds, picnic areas, hiking trails, a portion of the Pacific Crest Trail, and several water features, including Castle Creek, Indian Creek, Root Creek, Fall Creek, and the Sacramento River. Angie has been leading the development of an innovative method for determining greenhouse gas emissions related to forestry activities and large-scale forest fires for use in this document, as well as future projects involving fire risk reduction.

San Antonio (Greystar North of California Street) Project CEQA Environmental Checklist, Santa Clara County City of Mountain View

**Environmental Planner** 

The proposed North of California Street Master Plan project would result in the demolition of the existing uses totaling approximately 123,000 square feet. The existing uses would be replaced with the proposed master plan development. Four new buildings would be constructed, totaling 699,248 square feet, that would consist of up to 642 residential units, up to 10,000 square feet of commercial/retail uses, up to 6,600 square feet of food service, and up to 4,000 square feet of nonprofit office space. The project was programmatically evaluated in the San Antonio Precise Plan (SAPP) EIR and is consistent with the SAPP land use designations and zoning. Angie was the lead author of the Environmental Checklist.

Justification Report for the Bay Area Air Quality Management District's CEQA Thresholds of Significance, Bay Area Bay Area Air Quality Management District

Air Quality and Climate Change Analyst

BAAQMD is updating their CEQA guidance to include more stringent and progressive thresholds of significance. BAAQMD seeks to be a leader in the state through the implementation of science-based thresholds to improve air quality in the San Francisco Bay Area Air Basin as well as ensure that Bay Area—based projects do their "fair share" in supporting the statewide GHG reduction goal of 40 percent below 1990 levels of GHGs by 2030 as stipulated by Senate Bill 32, as well as the less formal goal of achieving an 80 percent reduction in 1990 levels of GHGs by 2050 as recommended by Executive Order S-3-05. Angie researched and performed quantitative analysis to assess various toxic air contaminant threshold options, with a focus on BAAQMD Community Air Risk Evaluation communities.



# Zachary Miller, AICP TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNER

#### YEARS OF EXPERIENCE

#### **EDUCATION**

MS, City and Regional Planning, Environmental Planning Emphasis, California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo

MS, Engineering, Transportation Planning, California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo

BA, Urban Studies and Planning, University of California, San Diego

#### CERTIFICATIONS

American Institute of Certified Planners No. 025880

#### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Planning Association (APA) member

#### SOFTWARE CAPABILITIES

ArcGIS, Adobe Design Suite, AutoCAD, Synchro

Zachary Miller, AICP, is an environmental and transportation planner with 9 years of experience in transportation planning, long-range planning, land use planning, and environmental impact analysis. Zachary has worked on a variety of transportation projects throughout the state, ranging from multibillion-dollar public transportation infrastructure and transit projects to small-scale traffic studies. He has reviewed and commented on transportation sections prepared for CEQA environmental documents by transportation subconsultants. He specializes in working with transportation planning and traffic engineering consultants to ensure their technical analysis will adequately support a CEQA section.

Zachary has worked on a variety of CEQA and NEPA environmental documents, including environmental impact reports, initial studies, and technical studies. Prior to joining Ascent, he worked as a transportation planning consultant and received dual master's degrees in city and regional planning and civil engineering at California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, where his focus was on environmental and transportation planning, respectively.

#### PROJECT EXPERIENCE

Vegetation Treatment Program, Statewide California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

Transportation Planner

Zachary was the project transportation analyst for the CEQA review of the Program EIR for the California Vegetation Treatment Program (CalVTP). The new statewide CalVTP will support fire fuel treatment of 250,000 acres per year in the State Responsibility Area in response to the growing wildfire crisis. The Program EIR will substantially streamline implementation of later activities consistent with CalVTP strategies for fire fuel reduction, fuel break development, and ecosystem restoration. Zachary served as the project transportation analyst for the CEQA review of the project and developed the transportation analysis methodology. Additionally, Zachary analyzed the significant environmental effects related to transportation associated with implementation of the CalVTP.

Miller/Knox Regional Shoreline Land Use Plan Amendment Program EIR, Contra Costa County

East Bay Regional Park District

Transportation Planner

Zachary was the project transportation analyst for the CEQA review of the Miller/Knox Regional Shoreline Land Use Plan Amendment (LUPA). Miller/Knox is a shoreline park in the community of Point Richmond. The LUPA is intended to enhance the park's recreational, interpretive, biological, historic, and scenic values and fully incorporate and interconnect the trails and paths throughout the park and with the Bay Trail. Zachary served as the project transportation analyst for the CEQA review of the project and developed the transportation analysis methodology. Additionally, he analyzed the significant environmental effects related to transportation associated with implementation of the LUPA.



### Zachary Miller, AICP

Mount Umunhum Environmental Restoration and Public Access Project EIR, Santa Clara County Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District

Transportation Planner

Ascent prepared an EIR for the Mount Umunhum Environmental Restoration and Public Access Project. The project includes demolition of structures associated with a former air force station located at the peaks of Mount Umunhum and Mount Thayer in the Santa Cruz mountains. After demolition, the project involves ecological and landform restoration, and would include several trail connections, as well as several open space amenities, including a campground, viewing and ceremonial areas, and a visitors center. Zachary served as the project transportation analyst for the CEQA review of the project. He performed the analysis for determining if implementation of the project would result in significant environmental effects related to transportation and prepared the transportation/traffic chapter of the EIR.

Corn Palace EIR, Santa Clara County

City of Sunnyvale

Transportation Planner

Ascent is preparing the Environmental Impact Report for the 8.8 acre-project site, commonly known as the "Corn Palace", a site previously used for agricultural purposes. The site currently contains uncultivated agricultural land, two residential homes, farm structures, and a farmstand. The project proposes demolition of the onsite structures for development of a master-planned residential community of 58 single-family, two-story residential homes, and a public park. The site is located west of Lawrence Expressway and is bordered by Lily, Toyon and Dahlia Avenues. Zachary served as the project transportation analyst for the CEQA review of the project.

Update of Plan Bay Area 2040: The Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy EIR Association of Bay Area Governments and MTC

Environmental Planner

In 2013, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) adopted Plan Bay Area, the RTP/SCS that serves as an integrated long-range transportation and land use/housing plan for the San Francisco Bay Area addressing the implementation of transportation projects and the challenge of accommodating projected growth. The EIR for Plan Bay Area was certified in 2013 and was subsequently the subject of four legal challenges. Similar to other jurisdictions around the state, MTC and ABAG must update the RTP/SCS and complete an environmental review that is compliant with the requirements of CEQA. Ascent was selected to prepare the EIR for the update to Plan Bay Area 2040 that must comply with the requirements of two settlement agreements that resulted from the four legal challenges (a challenge is still active in the courts and is unresolved at this time). Plan Bay Area 2040 and its supporting documentation will support the growing economy of the Bay Area, provide more housing and transportation choices, and reduce air pollution caused by transportation.

New Sacramento Criminal Courthouse EIR, Sacramento County Judicial Council of California—Administrative Office of the Courts

Transportation Planner

Ascent Environmental, Inc. prepared the EIR for the New Sacramento Criminal Courthouse in downtown Sacramento. The primary purpose of the project is to expand existing county courthouse facilities to accommodate the existing criminal case load and to increase the level of security currently provided. The proposed project includes development of a new 405,000-square-foot courthouse facility and renovation of the existing Schaber Courthouse. The DEIR evaluated two potential project sites: one site in the Sacramento Railyards and the other at 301 Capitol Mall (former site of the Towers on Capitol Mall). Zachary worked closely with the transportation sub-consultant to ensure that the technical transportation analysis being conducted adequately supported the environmental document. Additionally, he prepared the transportation/traffic section of the EIR.



# Rachel Kozloski, CPSS GEOTECHNICAL/SOILS SPECIALIST

YEARS OF EXPERIENCE

14

#### **EDUCATION**

BS, Agroecology-Soil Science, University of Wyoming, 2004

#### CERTIFICATIONS

Certified Professional Soil Scientist, Soil Science Society of America (No. 325321)

#### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Professional Soil Scientists Association of California

Rachel Kozloski, CPSS, brings 14 years of diverse experience in both the private and public sectors. Her educational background related to soils, ecology, and agriculture has positioned her to contribute to a broad range of projects Her experience includes the preparation of various ecological studies, watershed planning, invasive species management, wetland delineation, management of special-status plants, rangeland health inventories, grazing management plans, trail construction and alignment, and related sections of CEQA and NEPA documents. Rachel is a Certified Professional Soil Scientist and has conducted a variety of soil services, including soil nutrient management, soil mapping and verification, soil hydrologic analysis, mapping of jurisdictional waters of the United States, sediment control and water quality best management practices, soil reclamation plans, and soil carbon analysis.

#### PROJECT EXPERIENCE

Miller/Knox Regional Shoreline Land Use Plan Amendment Program EIR, Contra Costa County

East Bay Regional Park District

**Environmental Analyst** 

Rachel prepared the CEQA analysis of hydrologic and geologic resources for the Miller/Knox Regional Shoreline Land Use Plan Amendment (LUPA). Miller/Knox Regional Shoreline is a shoreline park in the community of Point Richmond. Ascent is assisting the East Bay Regional Park District with preparation of a program EIR to analyze the significant environmental effects associated with implementation of the LUPA. Key areas of analysis include biological resources, cultural and historic resources, aesthetics, climate change adaptation/sea level rise resilience, and hydrology and water quality.

Castle Crags State Park Root Creek Drainage Forest Management Plan and Public Safety Improvement Project IS/MND, Shasta County California State Parks

Soil Scientist/Environmental Analyst

Rachel is supporting this project though the preparation of a wetland delineation, and technical analysis for the development and implementation of a Forest Management Plan and emergency access route for Castle Crags State Park. The Forest Plan will guide future fire risk reduction and habitat management of the forest within the Root Creek Drainage, including prescription burning, ongoing vegetation management, and a new emergency access route.

Routine and Accelerated Vegetation Management Program, El Dorado and Placer Counties

Liberty Utilities

Botanist

Liberty Utilities is facing pressure from the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), CALFIRE, and others to address hazardous vegetation above and adjacent to their overhead electric facilities in order to minimize fire danger and to minimize power outages. Liberty is mandated to conform to rules and regulations as adopted by CPUC as well as to comply with all applicable



### Rachel Kozloski, CPSS

federal, state, and local environmental laws. In the past, Liberty relied on the U.S. Forest Service (USFS) to perform the research and the surveys necessary to comply with environmental laws. However, due to the extreme wildfire risk, Ascent is performing the research and surveys necessary to comply with environmental laws. Rachel is assisting with vegetation mapping, invasive species mapping, and special-status plant surveys for the program and preparing the necessary USFS reports.

North Tahoe Interagency Forest Health and Biomass Reduction Project IS/MND California Tahoe Conservancy

**Environmental Analyst** 

The North Tahoe Interagency Forest Health and Biomass Project involves preparation of an IS/MND for forest treatment activities at multiple sites and biomass processing and utilization in the Cabin Creek biomass energy generation facility. The project involves treatment of approximately 273 acres of forest in a wildland-urban interface area in the Placer County portion of north Lake Tahoe, as well as transport and utilization of the generated biomass. The project area includes six separate treatment sites that would be treated by the California Tahoe Conservancy, California Department of Parks and Recreation, the U.S. Forest Service-Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit, and North Tahoe Fire Protection District. Rachel provided vegetation mapping and analysis of geologic and hydrologic resources.

Sunset Area Plan/Placer Ranch Specific Plan EIR, Placer County Placer County

**Environmental Analyst** 

Ascent is preparing an EIR for the Sunset Industrial Area (SIA), an 8,900-acre area in unincorporated western Placer County, located west of the Highway 65 corridor and situated between the cities of Lincoln to the north, Rocklin to the east, and Roseville to the south. The overall objective of the SIA plan update is to re-envision and re-brand the SIA to fully implement the County's long-term vision for the plan area. By designing an overall vision for the SIA, the County intends to attract large mixed-use developments, commercial uses, universities, industrial manufacturing, corporate campuses, institutions, and entertainment venues that encourage businesses with primary wage jobs to locate in the SIA. Rachel is preparing both the hydrology and water quality analysis and the geology and soil resources analysis for the project.

Community Watershed Partnership Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)

Program Manager/Soil Scientist

The Community Watershed Partnership was developed by the Tahoe Basin NRCS for use in small urban watersheds and was modeled after the NRCS Areawide Planning strategy. The goals of this project were to increase coordination between community members and land managers for stormwater and natural resource management, assist local jurisdictions with meeting Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) requirements for fine sediment, and develop community-based conservation plans that address issues important to community members and Basin agencies. As program manager, Rachel developed community outreach plans and materials, coordinated public and partner meetings, and worked with land managers and jurisdictions to identify opportunities for stormwater infiltration on public land. As a soil scientist, Rachel provided soil assessments of potential stormwater infiltration sites on public land and assessed depth to seasonal groundwater as required for the design and installation of residential and commercial stormwater best management practices (BMPs). Key issues included water quality related to fine sediment loading of stormwater and fertilizer use, urban watershed planning, and environmental justice.

Dry Creek Greenway Multi-Use Trail Project EIR and CE, Placer County City of Roseville

Environmental Analyst

The proposed Dry Creek Greenway Multi-Use Trail consists of a 4.25-mile multi-use pathway in Roseville. The trail will serve as an alternative to using the busy city streets, as well as an important recreational amenity for residents, and will ultimately provide an important regional connection that will form a loop around the greater South Placer/Sacramento area. Ascent is participating in the environmental analysis to assist in the definition of alignments, as well as preparing the CEQA and NEPA environmental documents for the project. The NEPA document is being prepared under Caltrans and FHWA procedures. Key issues include protection of the creek floodways, riparian habitat effects, construction noise and air quality, and neighborhood compatibility. Rachel is preparing the hydrologic resources section of the EIR.



# Lara Rachowicz, PhD BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES TASK LEADER

YEARS OF EXPERIENCE

20

#### **EDUCATION**

PhD, Ecology, Department of Integrative Biology, University of California, Berkeley

MPH, Biostatistics/Epidemiology, University of California, Berkeley

BS, Geography, University of Wisconsin, Madison

#### SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Adams, M. J, N. D. Chelgren, D. Reinitz, R. A. Cole, L. J. Rachowicz, S. Galvan, B. McCreary, C.A. Pearl, L L Bailey, J. Bettaso, E. L. Bull, and M. Leu, 2010, "Using Occupancy Models to Understand the Distribution of an Amphibian Pathogen, *Batrachochytrium dendrobatidis.*" *Ecological Applications*, 20:289–302.

Rachowicz, L. J., S. R. Beissinger, and A. E. Hubbard, 2006, "Evaluating At-Sea Sampling Designs for Marbled Murrelets using a Spatially Explicit Model." *Ecological Modelling*, 196:329–344.

Rachowicz, L. J., J. M. Hero, R A. Alford, J. A. T. Morgan, V. T. Vredenburg, J. P. Collins, J. W. Taylor, and C. J. Briggs, 2005, "The Novel and Endemic Pathogen Hypotheses: Competing Explanations for the Origin of Emerging Diseases of Wildlife." *Conservation Biology*, 19:1441–1448.

Rachowicz, L. J., R. A. Knapp, J. M. Parker, M. J. Stice, J. A T. Morgan, V. T. Vredenburg, and C. J. Briggs, 2006, "Emerging Infectious Disease as a Proximate Cause of Amphibian Mass Mortality in California's Sierra Nevada." *Ecology*, 87:1671–1683.

Lara Rachowicz, PhD, has 20 years of technical and project management experience in ecology throughout California, with a focus on special-status species. She manages and supports the preparation of environmental impact reports, environmental impact statements, and other environmental documents required under NEPA and CEQA for proposed energy and infrastructure projects (e.g., electrical transmission systems, pipeline facilities, renewable energy facilities, rail facilities), as well as resource management programs (e.g., fire fuel management, aquatic ecosystem restoration). Lara provides senior technical review and quality assurance of NEPA and CEQA documents. She evaluates environmental impacts and plans mitigation programs; supports project permitting and the negotiation of mitigation agreements; and manages construction, compliance, and mitigation activities.

Lara's ecological research and federal resource management experience has focused on threats to vulnerable wildlife populations, primarily amphibian and avian species. Her graduate research focused on the epidemiology and ecology of an infectious chytrid fungus on threatened frogs in California's Sierra Nevada. In addition, she evaluated at-sea sampling regimes for an endangered seabird, the marbled murrelet. As an ecologist for the National Park Service, Lara assisted in the development and implementation of aquatic ecosystem management plans at Yosemite National Park. In addition, she managed and studied nesting waterbird populations on Alcatraz Island and evaluated human impacts on them.

#### PROJECT EXPERIENCE

California Statewide Vegetation Treatment Program EIR Board of Forestry and Fire Protection

Senior Biologist

The Board of Forestry and Fire Protection's Vegetation Treatment Program (VTP) is intended to lower the risk of catastrophic wildfires on nonfederal lands by reducing hazardous fuels. Treatment actions included fire breaks, fuel reduction through mechanical removal and controlled burns, and habitat restoration. Other VTP goals include control of unwanted vegetation, including invasive species, improvement of rangeland for livestock grazing, improvement of fish and wildlife habitat, enhancement and protection of riparian areas and wetlands, and improvement of water quality in priority watersheds. Ascent supported Board staff with preparation of a revised draft program EIR. Lara provided technical analysis and CEQA compliance strategies for the biological resources section of the EIR.

\*Mesa Substation Project EIR, Los Angeles County California Public Utilities Commission

Senior Biologist

An EIR was prepared on behalf of CPUC to meet CEQA requirements for a substation project that included transmission and telecommunications components. Lara provided senior technical review and quality assurance for several environmental impact analysis sections. She was the lead author of the biological resources impact analysis, which required extensive coordination with USFWS and CDFW. Specifically, Lara collaborated with USFWS on an effective mitigation strategy



### Lara Rachowicz, PhD

for the federally endangered coastal California gnatcatcher to use in the EIR as well as in the USFWS' Biological Opinion under the federal Endangered Species Act. Once the Draft EIR was released, for the Final EIR, she drafted and reviewed a fast-track delivery of responses to comments and production of the EIR. The turnaround time between the close of the Draft EIR comment period and the release of the Final EIR was just over three months. Lara provided expertise for the mitigation monitoring program as well.

California High-Speed Rail San Jose to Merced Project Section: Pacheco Pass Geotechnical Investigations, Santa Clara, Merced, and San Benito Counties

California High-Speed Rail Authority

Sentor Biologist

Ascent reviewed and is currently preparing an IS/MND under CEQA, an Environmental Assessment (EA) under NEPA, and several environmental permit applications for approximately 65 geotechnical investigations for the High-Speed Rail San Jose to Merced Project Section. Investigations will be completed using methods such as test pits, rotary cores, and horizontal directional drilling. Lara conducted senior technical review of the IS/MND and EA biological resource analysis sections, which evaluated impacts from activities on a variety of sensitive resources in the greenfield area of Pacheco Pass, including in critical habitat designated under the Endangered Species Act. She developed a mitigation strategy to reduce impacts on sensitive species, including California red-legged frog and California tiger salamander, in support of the project's federal Endangered Species Act compliance, and she authored an associated Biological Assessment for submittal to USFWS. Lara also provided permitting support for compliance with the California Endangered Species Act and the Clean Water Act.

Saratoga Filter Plant Facilities Plan Environmental Constraints Analysis, Santa Clara County San Jose Water Company (Kennedy/Jenks)

Semor Biologist

Ascent prepared a constraints analysis to identify environmental and permitting challenges and benefits associated with siting a new filtration and disinfection facility at a new site on San Jose Water Company land. This memorandum would ultimately help inform selection of a Final Recommended Alternative. Lara provided technical expertise on the biological resources analysis for the memorandum, which covers environmental constraints and the likely level of effort for permitting. The memorandum evaluates several sites and discusses the challenges and benefits associated with each.

Alcatraz Island Bird Monitoring and Management Program, Golden Gate National Recreation Area National Park Service

Semer Biologist

With the National Park Service (NPS), Lara was the lead manager and biologist responsible for overseeing monitoring of regionally significant water bird populations on Alcatraz Island, including populations of western gull, California gull, Brandt's cormorant, pelagic cormorant, pigeon guillemot, snowy egret, and black-crowned night heron. She assisted with managing the contract for the bird monitoring, including reviewing deliverables. Lara contributed to the park's NEPA process by evaluating actions and projects whose proponents were seeking a Categorical Exclusion, developing natural resource guidance for projects with a Categorical Exclusion, and monitoring projects to assure compliance with the guidelines. She also developed and implemented guidelines to restrict visitor and staff access to priority bird nesting areas, as well as guidelines for removal of bird nests in priority visitor areas; initiated and developed research priorities and proposals; and developed and provided training for citizen science and docent programs.

Naturalist and Wildlife Biologist, Point Reyes National Seashore National Park Service

Naturalist/Biologist

As a naturalist with NPS, Lara provided education and helped create opportunities for the public to connect with and care about the natural and cultural resources of Point Reyes National Seashore. Lara led interpretive hikes, walks, and programs for park visitors to experience and learn about marine mammals (gray whale, northern elephant seal, harbor seal), nesting seabirds, marine and nearshore ecosystems, and a historic lighthouse. As a wildlife biologist, Lara performed beach surveys to monitor nesting success of the threatened western snowy plover.



# Ted Thayer WILDLIFE BIOLOGIST

YEARS OF EXPERIENCE

16

#### EDUCATION

MS, Biology, University of Nevada, Reno, 2002

BS, Biology, California State University Fresno, 1995

#### **TEACHING**

Undergraduate courses in experimental field ecology and general biology at the University of Nevada Reno, and California State University Fresno.

#### SPECIALIZED TRAINING

Cumulative Effects in NEPA, U.S. Forest Service

#### SOFTWARE

GoogleEarth, CNDDB, RareFind, BIOS, CNPS Inventory of Rare and Endangered Plants, Excel, Word

#### PUBLICATIONS

Vander Wall, S. B., J. S. Briggs, S. H. Jenkins, K. M. Kuhn, T. C. Thayer, and M. J. Beck. 2006. "Do food-hoarding animals have a cache recovery advantage? Determining recovery of stored food." *Animal Behavior* 72(1) 189–197.

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Ted has managed or performed surveys for small mammals, forest carnivores, peregrine falcon, migratory songbirds, and Sierra Nevada yellow-legged frog, as well as vegetation structure and composition. He also has experience in monitoring invasive species and on the recreation effects on wildlife and habitats, including off-highway vehicles and ski resort operations. Ted has participated in multidisciplinary and multiagency collaborative land use and resource management planning efforts, preparation of NEPA documents, CEQA documents, and technical reports. He also has experience with preparation of permitting documents, including CDFW Notification of Streambed Alteration, Section 2081 Incidental Take Application, Section 404 Preconstruction Notification, Applications for 401 Water Quality Certification, and analyses in support of consultation under Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act.

#### PROJECT EXPERIENCE

Tahoe Keys Property Owners Association Corporation Yard Relocation Project, El Dorado County

California Department of General Services, Real Estate Services Division/California Tahoe Conservancy

#### Wildlife Biologist

Ted authored the biological resources section of the IS/MND and the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency Initial Environmental Checklist for the project that when implemented would relocate a 2.21-acre corporation yard from within the Upper Truckee Marsh to a less environmentally sensitive location near the Tahoe Keys Marina and restore the previous location in the marsh.

Upper North Yuba Forest Health and Resilience Project, Sierra Counties Sierra County

#### Biologist

Ted was primary author on the biological resources, hydrology and water quality, and project description sections of the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for a project consisting 267-acres of fuel treatments and aspen restoration along headwaters of the North Yuba River adjacent to State Route 49 east of the communities of Sierra City and Bassetts to Yuba Pass. This project is part of the larger landscape level U.S. Forest Service project that encompasses 14,545 acres of mixed conifer forest within the 450,000-acre headwaters of the North and Middle Yuba River.



# Ted Thayer

Butterfly Twain and Fuels Reduction and Landscape Restoration Project, Plumas County Sierra Nevada Conservancy

**Environmental Analyst** 

Ted was primary author on the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration that analyzed wildland urban interface fuels treatments within a portion of a larger U.S. Forest Service project area on the Mount Hough Ranger District, Plumas National Forest. Ascent was contracted to analyze the portion of the project funded by the Sierra Nevada Conservancy together with other portions of the project that may be awarded funding in the future including further fuels reduction treatments, prescribed fire, herbicide treatments for weeds, road work, and repair of a small earthen dam.

Castle Crags State Park Root Creek Drainage Forest Management Plan and Public Safety Improvement Project IS/MND. Shasta and Siskiyou Counties

California State Parks

Wildlife Biologist

Ted is authoring the biological resources section of an IS/MND that Ascent is preparing for the development and implementation of a Forest Management Plan and emergency access project for Castle Crags State Park. The park is in the upper reaches of the Sacramento River Canyon in northern Shasta County and extends from the Sacramento River to the base of Castle Crags. The Forest Plan will guide future fire risk reduction and habitat management of the forest in the Root Creek Drainage, including prescribed burning, ongoing vegetation management, and a new emergency access route. The park contains multiple campgrounds, picnic areas, hiking trails, a portion of the Pacific Crest Trail, and several water features, including Castle Creek, Indian Creek, Root Creek, Fall Creek, and the Sacramento River.

Oak Knoll Hotel EIR. Napa County

Napa County

Wildlife Biolegisi

Ted authored the biological resources chapter of the EIR for the demolition of existing structures and construction of a new 50-room hotel, 100-seat restaurant, and 4,100-square-foot retail space on a 3.54-acre parcel located at 5091 Solano Avenue in unincorporated Napa County.

Yountville Hill Winery Project EIR, Napa County

Napa County

Biologist

Ted revised the biological resources section of the Recirculated Draft EIR for the construction of a new winery on a 10.9-acre site in unincorporated Napa County, near Yountville. Revisions focused on tree removal and mitigation.

Diablo Country Club Recycled Water Project EIR, Contra Costa County Central Contra Costa Sanitary District

Wildlife Biologist

Ted is preparing the biological resources section of the EIR that will analyze the construction of a satellite water recycling facility, expansion of existing ponds, and installation of pipelines on the Diablo Country Club and in the town of Diablo in unincorporated Contra Costa County.

Butterfly Twain and Fuels Reduction and Landscape Restoration Project, Plumas County Sierra Nevada Conservancy

Environmental Analyst

Ted was primary author on the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration that analyzed wildland urban interface fuels treatments within a portion of a larger U.S. Forest Service project area on the Mount Hough Ranger District, Plumas National Forest. Ascent was contracted to analyze the portion of the project funded by the Sierra Nevada Conservancy together with other portions of the project that may be awarded funding in the future including further fuels reduction treatments, prescribed fire, herbicide treatments for weeds, road work, and repair of a small earthen dam.



# Sangwoo Lee, AICP, LEED AP VISUAL SIMULATIONS/URBAN DESIGN

YEARS OF EXPERIENCE

15

#### **EDUCATION**

MS, Urban Design, Columbia University, New York, NY

MS, Urban Planning, University of Michigan Ann Arbor, Ann Arbor, MI

BS, Urban Planning & Engineering, Yonsei University, Seoul, Korea

PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATIONS AICP Certified Planner

LEED AP

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS
American Institute of Certified Planners
(AICP)

LANGUAGES SPOKEN:

English

Korean

REPRESENTATIVE PROFESSIONAL WORKSHOPS/PRESENTATIONS

Award of Merit, Nuvali CBD Concept Master Plan, Pacific Coast Builders Conference, 2013

Excellence Award for Best Small Project, "Cidade da Copa", AECOM, 2012

Innovation in Planning Award, Sandia National Laboratories Site Development Plan, APA New Mexico Chapter, 2011

Merit Award, Easton Land Use Master Plan, APA California Chapter, 2009

Traveling Prize, Columbia University Postgraduate William Kinne Fellows New York, 2003

Excellence in Urban Design Award, Yonsei University Seoul, Korea, 2000 Sangwoo Lee, AICP, LEED AP, specializes in physical planning and urban design at various scales, ranging from large master planned communities to smaller infill sites. He believes in the holistic design approach where land use, transportation, water, energy, habitat, buildings, and landscape need to work as an integrated system in order to produce the best, sustainable outcome. As a LEED accredited professional, his focus is on integrating sustainable principles into the design at the building, site, and larger community scale. He has worked on projects in different geographic regions, such as in the United States, Asia, Latin America, and the Middle East. Sangwoo is a certified planner and is fluent in both English and Korean.

#### PROJECT EXPERIENCE

Miller/Knox Regional Shoreline Land Use Plan Amendment Program EIR, Contra Costa County

East Bay Regional Park District

Project Manager

Miller/Knox Regional Shoreline is a shoreline park in the community of Point Richmond. Ascent is assisting the East Bay Regional Park District with preparation of a program EIR to analyze the significant environmental effects associated with implementation of the LUPA. Lily participated in the scoping process and organized interagency coordination with responsible agencies to identify key issues and expectations early in the CEQA process, including BCDC, State Lands Commission, San Francisco Bay RWQCB, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and CDFW. Sang led the visual simulations for the Miller Knox Regional Park Land Use Plan Amendment (LUPA), working with the East Bay Regional Park District. Locations for the simulations within the park included Ferry Point, Bray Property, and the Lagoon area with panoramic views to San Francisco and the iconic bridges across the bay. Sang assisted with the view point selection and setting the overall composition for each view, as well as design concepts consistent with the Land Use Plan update, to portray in the simulations.

Sacramento County Grant Line Visioning Area County of Sacramento

Urban Planner/Designer

Sangwoo served as the urban planner/designer of a study to examine land uses south of Grant Line Road between the proposed Elk Grove Sports Facility on the west and Sloughhouse Road on the east. The approximately 3,200-acre study is examining how existing agricultural lands could be converted to other uses as south county lands urbanize due to development pressures and regional improvements that are made to the roadway infrastructure. Grant Line Road will become part of a new high-speed roadway known as the Collector that will link I-5 and SR 99 in Elk Grove (south of Sacramento) to US Highway 50 in El Dorado Hills (east of Sacramento). Lands in this study have frontage adjacent to the collector and are likely to include future residential, commercial, civic, and park uses.



### Sangwoo Lee, AICP, LEED AP

Sunnyvale Downtown Specific Plan Update, Santa Clara County City of Sunnyvale

Urban Designer

Urban designer of a planning effort to allow for greater amounts of housing, office, and retail in a very desirable South Bay location(year completed). The Specific Plan update will help the City establish a long-term plan and framework to support walkable growth and development in the downtown area of Sunnyvale. The plan will be updated to accommodate several ongoing plan proposals currently taking place at the City, ensuring the coordination of project proposals with the existing surrounding context and the City's vision for downtown.

River Park Development Planning and Design. Yolo County Richland Communities, Inc./Triple M Properties

Urban Planner

This project required land planning and design services for a 450-acre site in the Southport Plan area of West Sacramento, along the Sacramento River. Primary planning goals included preserving the site's unique natural resources, creating a public realm that was connected at the site and at regional levels, and providing a range of housing choices for its residents. To achieve these goals, a network had to be created which encompassed interconnected parks and open spaces that preserved the site's natural resources, such as existing oak groves; promoted best practices in stormwater management through a non-piped solution; and achieved a higher net density through compact development that embraced a wide range of housing choices.

Sacramento Entertainment and Sports Complex and Intermodal Transportation Facility Planning, Sacramento County City of Sacramento

Urban Designer

Interdisciplinary services were provided for the planning and design of the new Entertainment and Sports Center in downtown Sacramento, a new regional destination anchored by the NBA arena for the Sacramento Kings. Sangwoo was the architect behind the innovative pedestrian flow analysis for the arena, in which the principles and standards from the Green Guide were adopted and applied to visually analyze whether the circulation areas in and around the main venue were adequately sized.

Sierra Vista Specific Plan, Placer County City of Roseville

Project Manager and Urban Planner

The Sierra Vista Specific Plan consists of an area of approximately 2,200 acres at the western edge of Roseville, involving six different land owners and developers. The site was largely undeveloped with rural residential uses, gentle topography, a few creek corridors, and seasonal wetlands. Sangwoo worked with the City of Roseville, landowners/developers, and other consultants to develop a plan that was consistent with the SACOG Blueprint principles as it related to the mix of uses, housing density, transportation options, and preservation of natural resources.

Cedar Grove Apartments Affordable Housing Project EIR/EIS Alternative Site Plans, Tahoe Vista Confidential Client

Site Planner

Cedar Grove Apartments was a newly planned multi-family residential apartment complex on the north shore of Lake Tahoe. As part of EIS/EIR preparation, Sangwoo worked on the two site plan alternatives that acted as a comparative measure to assess the impact of the proposed project by the applicant. The two alternatives included a reduced density alternative and an increased density alternative. Main design considerations for the alternative plans included creating views to the lake, preservation of existing cedars and 30" dbh trees, minimizing grading, and creating a sense of community.



# Andrea Villarroel VISUAL SIMULATIONS/LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

YEARS OF EXPERIENCE

- 3

#### EDUCATION

MLA (Master of Landscape Architecture), University of Idaho

MS, Geography, University of Idaho

Certificate in GIS, University of Idaho

BS, Geography, University of Idaho

AA, Architecture, Truckee Meadows Community College

#### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Member, American Society of Landscape Architects, California Sierra Chapter

#### AWARDS AND HONORS

University of Idaho, Landscape Architecture Distinguished Student Award

ASLA ID/MT Chapter, Student Honor Award

LANGUAGES SPOKEN

English

Spanish

Andrea Villarroel is an urban designer and landscape designer with experience in master planning, landscape design, and 3D rendering for projects in the public and private sectors. She has worked on projects ranging from large master plans to smaller residential landscape plans, including urban plazas and parks, ecological restorations, university and college campuses, and mixed-use developments. She has prepared master plans, streetscape plans, and construction documents, as well as stormwater and irrigation water calculations. Andrea has a passion for designing spaces that incorporate sustainable solutions to environmental problems and for creating spaces that focus on walkability and pedestrian activity. She has GIS experience working at a city as well as in a university, completing a variety of tasks related to spatial analysis and cartography, as well as being a GIS instructor at the university level.

#### PROJECT EXPERIENCE

Sunnyvale Downtown Specific Plan Update, Santa Clara County City of Sunnyvale

Urban Designer/Landscape Designer

The Specific Plan update will help the City establish a long-term plan and framework to support walkable growth and development in the downtown area of Sunnyvale. The plan will be updated to accommodate several ongoing plan proposals currently taking place at the City, ensuring the coordination of project proposals with the existing surrounding context and the City's vision for downtown. Andrea participated as an urban designer on the Specific Plan update to develop downtown Sunnyvale as a high-density, mixed-use town center adjacent to the Caltrain station.

Washington Specific Plan Update, Yolo County
City of West Sacramento Community Development Department

Urban Designer/Landscape Designer

West Sacramento's Washington neighborhood contains much of the city's historic and cultural resources. The City is comprehensively updating the 1996 Washington Specific Plan in order to help the neighborhood achieve its full potential. Ascent is updating the Specific Plan to address development and architectural standards, streetcar and transit-oriented development standards, historic preservation, sustainability, and signage in the area. Andrea is the urban designer for land planning and design services.

West Broadway Specific Plan, Sacramento County City of Sacramento

Urban Designer/Landscape Designer

The West Broadway area includes a mixed-use planned development under construction, known as the Mill at Broadway, the public housing communities of Alder Grove and Marina Vista, the William Land Woods affordable housing community, over 30 acres of industrial land uses, two schools, Miller Regional Park and the Sacramento Marina, and the western end of the Broadway corridor. The Specific Plan will focus on stitching together these seemingly disparate land uses into a vibrant, connected, and mixed-use community, with opportunities for improved neighborhood connections, new urban-scale housing development, and neighborhood-scale



#### Andrea Villarroel

commercial and service uses and amenities. The Specific Plan will provide the vision, policies, regulations, and improvements needed to support and unlock the development constraints in the area, promote new infill growth, and enhance local placemaking within the Northwest Land Park and West Broadway area. Ascent is currently working with the City on the development of a master plan vision, Specific Plan, and EIR for West Broadway.

River Park Development Planning and Design, Yolo County Richland Communities, Inc./Triple M Properties

Urban Designer/Landscape Designer

The proposed development includes 450 acres in the Southport Area of West Sacramento. The land is part of the Southeast Village and is located at the bend in the Sacramento River, just south of downtown. Development of the concept responds to three goals: create a network of interconnected park and open spaces that preserve the site's natural resources, promote best practices in stormwater management through a non-piped solution, and achieve a higher net density through compact development that embraces a wide range of housing choices. Andrea is the urban designer for land planning and design services.

#### **EDUCATION**

University of California, Berkeley; M.S., Geotechnical Engineering, 1990 California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo; B.S., Civil Engineering, 1989

#### REGISTRATION

California Registered Geotechnical Engineer, GE 2383 California Registered Civil Engineer, CE 50911

#### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Society of Civil Engineers Geo-Institute U.C. Berkeley Geotechnical Society

#### PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

1994-Present	Principal Engineer - Herzog Geotechnical, Mill Valley, CA
1992–1994	Project Engineer - Huntingdon Engineering and Environmental, Petaluma, CA
1990–1992	Staff Engineer - Huntingdon Engineering and Environmental, Petaluma, CA
1985–1990	Field Technician - Donald Herzog & Associates, Santa Rosa, CA

#### REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

Responsible for performing geotechnical analysis, design and project management. Experience includes seismic site response, settlement and stability analyses of fill over soft soils, lateral support systems, deep foundations, rock slope stability, liquefaction evaluation, pavement design, landslide evaluation and repair, geologic hazard evaluation and computer applications for geotechnical design. He was a former state director and Marin Chapter president of American Council of Engineering Companies (formerly Consulting Engineers and Land Surveyors of California). He also presented a lecture on slope stability at the California Licensed Foresters Association's Identification and Management of Unstable Areas on Forested Landscapes workshop and is a member of the State Mining and Geology Board's Technical Advisory Committee on Forest Geology.

#### REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

- CITY OF NOVATO, PLANNING AND ENGINEERING DIVISIONS, Novato, CA. Provided
  geotechnical consultation and peer review for numerous projects, including Novato Community
  Hospital, Marin Country Club Development, Black Point Golf Links, Atherton Ranch, Woodside
  Development, Olive Ridge, Hamilton Hangers, Inspiration at Chapel Hill, Oleander Lane Subdivision,
  Olive Court, Brookside Meadows, Marin Business Center and Woodview, and others.
- MARIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT, Marin County, CA. Performed geotechnical
  investigations and provided services during construction and retrofit of numerous large water tanks and
  pipeline projects. Projects have included Summit Trail Tank Replacement, Vernal Avenue Water
  Tank, Tiburon First Lift Tank, Lapachet Tank Replacement, Manzanita Tank Replacement, Terra

Linda Tank, Bret Harte Tank, Marinwood Tank, Scott Tanks #1 and #2, Concrete Pipe Road Pipe Replacement Project, Rafael Highlands Tank, Phoenix Lake Access Road Stabilization, Oak Springs Drive Landslide/Pipeline Realignment, Sky Oaks Road Stabilization, and others.

- TOWN OF CORTE MADERA, Corte Madera, CA. Provided geotechnical engineering services for remedial and capital improvement projects for the Town of Corte Madera, including Fire Station #13 Replacement, Montecito Drive Retaining Wall, Sewer Replacements (Oakdale Avenue, Manzanita Avenue, Alta Way), Storm Drain Replacements (Meadowsweet Drive, Corte Madera Avenue), Shorebird Pump Station, District No. 1 Main Replacement, Alta Way Roadway Stabilization, Redwood Avenue Retaining Wall, Bayside Trail/San Clemente Park, Corte Madera Skate Park, and others.
- REDWOOD CREEK RESTORATION PROJECT, Muir Beach, CA. Geotechnical investigation
  and construction observation for a new pedestrian bridge and creek restoration work. Project included
  an evaluation of liquefaction-induced lateral spreading and settlements in accordance with updated
  California Division of Mines and Geology guidelines, and of developing recommendations for torquedown piles for support of several-foot-long pedestrian bridge.
- SAN JOSE REGIONAL LANDSLIDE STUDY, San Jose, CA. Detailed evaluation of the stability of numerous active, deep-seated landslides in the San Jose East Foothills, including the over 300-foot-deep Penitencia Creek Landslide. Study included reviewing hundreds of geotechnical and geologic reports prepared in the Special Geologic Hazard Area, compiling and evaluating existing laboratory test data and analysis procedures, analyzing earthquake site response, slope stability and earthquake-induced deformations of existing slopes, and developing recommended geotechnical guidelines and procedures for use by the City of San Jose for investigation and analysis of deep-seated landslides.
- **FAIRFAX STREETS,** Fairfax, CA. Geotechnical investigation and design recommendations for stabilizing numerous streets in connection with Measure K roadway improvements. Also performed investigation and construction observation during emergency repairs of town streets.
- **GEOTECHNICAL PEER REVIEW SERVICES,** Larkspur, San Anselmo, Novato, Marin County, CA. Provided review of geotechnical planning and building permit-level submittals to evaluate conformance with local ordinances and geotechnical standards of practice.
- MARIN COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY, San Rafael, CA. Provided geotechnical services during construction of new jail building adjacent to existing Frank Lloyd Wright Civic Center. Project included monitoring of blasting, performing kinematic and stability analyses for extensive rock cutslopes, and providing recommendations for permanent tieback anchors to shore 35-foot-high slopes adjacent to the Civic Center.
- **GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE SOUTH TOWER,** San Francisco, CA. Performed an evaluation of potential backfill materials suitable for placement between the existing bridge pier and surrounding coffer dam to absorb the impact of large supertankers.
- WHITES HILL, Woodacre, CA. Performed stability analyses of four major landslides and provided design alternatives for protection of adjacent roadway. Among considered alternatives were tied-back lateral support systems, geogrid-reinforced buttress fills, and soldier pile bridges. Performed construction inspection during construction of slide repairs.

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#### KEVIN JAMES RYAN, P.G., C.E.G.

#### PRINCIPAL ENGINEERING GEOLOGIST

#### **EDUCATION**

Bachelor of Science, Geology Humboldt State University, 1998

#### PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

Ryan Geological Consulting, Inc. President/Principal Engineering Geologist 2010-Present

#### **CALIFORNIA LICENSURE**

Certified Engineering Geologist, CEG No. 2404 Professional Geologist, PG No. 7796

Berlogar Geotechnical Senior Engineering Geologist 1999-2009

Watershed Geologist 1998-1999

Mendocino Redwood Co.

#### **SUMMARY**

Mr. Ryan has over 18 years of experience as an engineering geologist in the San Francisco Bay Area focusing on landslide evaluation and stabilization, geotechnical engineering, earthwork grading, geologic hazard assessment, slope stability evaluation, Alquist-Priolo fault investigations, expansive soil mitigation, creek bank stability, drainage improvements, and quarry mining and reclamation. Additionally, Mr. Ryan has provided geologic expert services for litigation cases, performed post-development forensic investigations of reactivated ancient bedrock landslides, and performed peer review services for government and private agencies. His background is in landslide evaluations and repair, engineering geology, geologic/geomorphology, structural geology, Quaternary geomorphology, and neotectonics. Mr. Ryan has vast experience in California geology and has performed hundreds of site evaluations in varied geologic conditions, specifically in the San Francisco Bay Area. As a geotechnical consultant, Mr. Ryan is familiar with California building codes, the Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Act, state geologic hazard regulations, land use, and land use planning.

Mr. Ryan's field experience includes geologic mapping during excavation of hundreds of sites and evaluation of over 75 large-scale bedrock landslides and hundreds of shallow landslides throughout the San Francisco Bay Area. Additionally, he has logged over 30,000 linear feet of exploratory trench investigating several of the Bay Area faults and the head scarp of large ancient bedrock landslides, geologic mapping of several open pit quarry and potential quarry sites, mapping of the exposed subsurface conditions at over three dozen large-scale residential construction sites, and logging of several thousand exploratory test pit exposures throughout the region. He has also logged over 15,000 linear feet of core samples in bedrock landslide and quarry investigations. This vast and diverse experience in the geologic characterization of sites has led to his professional expertise and efficiency in performing geologic work. He has worked on both sides of the peer review process, serving as a peer reviewer as well as interacting and responding to peer reviewers on his projects. He possesses a solid foundation in geomorphology, engineering geology, structural geology, neotectonics, aerial photograph interpretation, geologic and geomorphic mapping, and petrology. Below is a brief list of representative projects.

#### SELECTED PROJECT EXPERIENCE

#### Engineering Geologic Peer Reviewer - Town of Moraga, California

As an industry expert, Mr. Ryan provides on-call engineering geologic services to the Town of Moraga. Projects include landslide evaluation, earthwork grading review, review of Geologic Hazard Abatement District documents, evaluation of landslides repair projects, mitigation of rock fall hazards, and general consultation.

### Caldecott Tunnels 4th Bore Project, Contra Costa and Alameda Counties, California

Mr. Ryan was selected to provide engineering geologic observations during sequential mining of the Caldecott Tunnels 4th Bore Project. His main role was to characterize the geologic materials and structure and to recommend appropriate support categories to facilitate future mining. Additionally, Mr. Ryan created record maps of hundreds of excavation exposures as the mining progressed through the Berkeley Hills.

#### Napa Oaks Fault Study, Napa, Napa County California

Mr. Ryan was the principal geologist in charge of investigating and evaluating recent surface fault rupture from the 2014 West Napa Earthquake. The investigation included excavating and logging over 1,700 linear feet of exploratory

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trench defined n active, previously undefined trace of the West Napa fault. Mr. Ryan's work was reviewed by lead geologists from the U.S. Geological Survey and the California Geological Survey. The findings caused alteration to land plans and were incorporated into the fault evaluation report (FER-256) and new 2018 Alquist-Priolo earthquake fault zone maps by the State of California.

### Earthquake Fault Investigation Hemme Avenue Properties, Alamo, Contra Costa County, California

Mr. Ryan was the principal geologist in charge of investigating suspected traces of the Calaveras fault at the Hemme Avenue site. At this location, the fault location is obscured. Mr. Ryan used a combination of trench explorations and geophysical methods to evaluate the possible presence of the fault.

#### Earthquake Fault Investigation, North Livermore Properties, Livermore, California

Mr. Ryan conducted a subsurface investigation of the Greenville fault in Livermore. In total, this project included logging of roughly 5,000 linear feet of exploratory trench trending across the Livermore Valley. Two active fault traces were located bounding a sag pond called Frick Lake. The fault traces were located in several trenches across the fault zone, and setbacks for residential development were established based on Mr. Ryan's work. This data was also provided to the State of California for integration in their fault evaluation report for the Greenville fault.

#### Alameda Creek Fish Passage, Sunol, California

Mr. Ryan is providing engineering geologic services for the active Alameda Creek Fish Passage project in Sunol. Tasks included evaluation of existing geotechnical and groundwater information, observations during drilling soil nails, geologic mapping of the excavation face, design and installation of slope inclinometers, monitoring groundwater seepage, and general consultation on subsurface conditions.

#### Landslide Evaluation, Rossmoor District, Walnut Creek, California

Mr. Ryan is the engineering geologist in charge of evaluating a large bedrock landslide impacting site improvements. Tasks for the evaluation included logging borings for subsurface conditions, installation and monitoring of slope inclinometers, design, installation and monitoring of piezometers, and evaluation of data collected.

#### Landslide Stabilization For Fallon Road Bridge, Dublin, California

Mr. Ryan conducted engineering geologic review of excavations performed during remedial grading of two ancient bedrock landslides located within the alignment for the Fallon Road extension and impacted construction of both bridge abutments. His role was to determine when the keyway excavations had penetrated to below the landslide slip surface and when removal of the landslide materials had been achieved. He correctly identified the base of the ancient landslide and approved the excavation for compliance with previous geotechnical recommendations.

#### Upper Sand Creek Basin, Antioch, Contra Costa County, California

Mr. Ryan provided engineering geology services during grading of the Sand Creek Basin Flood Control project in Antioch. He was responsible for evaluating the adequacy of landslide repairs during over excavation, characterizing bedrock structure exposed in design cuts. The project included evaluating the stability of deep cuts for access roads and stabilization of several large landslides along the perimeter of the planned basin. Additional tasks for the project included design, installation, and monitoring of dewatering wells for temporary construction purposes.

#### Engineering Geologic Inspection During Remedial Earthwork

Mr. Ryan's experience at remedial earthwork (site grading) is extensive. He has performed engineering geologic mapping at dozens of residential construction sites around the San Francisco Bay Area. His role was in creating asbuilt geologic maps of the exposures, approving keyway excavations for compliance with geotechnical recommendations, and providing technical recommendations for treatment of adverse (unsuitable or unstable) geologic conditions exposed during site grading. Mr. Ryan's geologic expertise allows him to rapidly identify adverse geologic conditions and to make logical decisions in the field that work within the site parameters and project goals while keeping the project moving forward.

#### Debris Flow and Sedimentation Hazards Study, Fairfield and Vacaville, Solano County, California

Mr. Ryan performed extensive mapping of debris flows and sedimentation hazards following the intense 2005/2006 storm season. The project included the evaluation of over 50 recent debris flows at scattered locations around the western boundary of the cities. Run-out distances and sediment volumes were estimated based on the field observations. He also provided technical recommendations for the successful mitigation of the sedimentation hazard.



# **DAVID PARISI, PE, TE**

PRINCIPAL IN CHARGE

David Parisi manages a variety of challenging transportation projects throughout the West Coast. Mr. Parisi's 30 years of experience include various aspects of transportation and environmental planning, and civil and traffic engineering. He spearheads multidisciplinary transportation projects from inception through design and development. These projects include environmental assessments in accordance with NEPA and CEQA; highway, railway, and multi-modal corridor studies; area-wide traffic circulation studies; rail transit projects; roadway and interchange feasibility analyses; access planning for pedestrians, bicyclists, and people with disabilities; localized traffic impact evaluations; and transportation system improvements.

David Parisi specializes in developing Complete Street, transit and transit-oriented development, traffic calming and Vision Zero, and Safe Route to School projects. His relevant experience in these areas includes:

#### **COMPLETE STREETS**

- Better Market Street Plan, San Francisco: Project manager
- · Miller Avenue Plan, Mill Valley: Project manager
- Bridgeway Multimodal Project, Sausalito: Project manager
- 19th Avenue/Park Presdio Transportation Plan: Project manager
- · Front Street (SR 22) Main Street Project, Salem: Traffic engineer
- · Tacoma Main Street Project, Portland: Traffic engineer

#### TRANSIT AND TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT

- · Geary Corridor Bus Rapid Transit, San Francisco, Project manager
- · Cascade Station TOD, Portland: Project manager
- Third Street Light Rail Project, San Francisco: Transportation engineer
- · Loma Rica Ranch TND, Grass Valley: Transportation engineer
- Portland-Vancouver High Capacity Transit: Transportation engineer
- AirMAX Light Rail Project, Portland: Transportation engineer

#### **VISION ZERO AND TRAFFIC CALMING**

- Marin County Systemic Safety Analysis Report, Marin County: Project manager
- · Traffic Calming Guidebook Development, Various Cities: Manager
- San Jose Schools Traffic Calming Program, San Jose: Project manager
- San Francisco Vision Zero Ramp Intersections Study, San Francisco: Principal-in-Charge

- Golden Gate Park Traffic Calming Plan, San Francisco: Manager
- Sacramento Vision Zero Citywide Project, Traffic engineer

#### **SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL**

- Marin County SR2S Program, Marin County: Program manager
- Santa Barbara SR2S Project, Santa Barbara: Transportation engineer
- ITE School Safety Task Force, California: Committee chair
- Safe Routes to School Training Workshops, National: Project manager
- · California Statewide Safe Routes to School Committee: Member
- Pasadena Suggested Routes to School Program: Project manager

#### **PROFESSIONAL HIGHLIGHTS**

- · Registered Civil Engineer and Traffic Engineer
- · 30 years of experience
- Certified Walkable Community Workshop Trainer (Caltrans and Dept. of Health Services)
- · National trainer in Traffic Calming and Safe Routes to Schools
- Developed National Safe Routes to School Training Course for FHWA and the Pedestrian and Bicycle Information Center (PBIC)
- · Member of ITE, WTS, and CNU
- Past president of 700-member Bay Area Section of Institute of Transportation Engineers

#### **EDUCATION**

• B.S., Civil Engineering, Colorado State University, 1985

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

- · NACTO Urban Bikeway Design Guide, 2013
- "Transportation Practitioners Stakeholders in Safer Routes to School, ITE Journal, 2012
- "Transportation Professionals Get Involved with Safe Routes to School", ITE Journal, 2005
- "Transportation Tools to Improve Children's Health and Mobility", CA DHS, OTS and LGC, 2003
- "A Community-Driven Approach to Traffic Calming", ITE 2001
- "What is 'Trip Capacity' and Why is it Important in Mixed Use Transit Oriented Development?", Railvolution 2001
- "Can An Arterial Roadway Be A Main Street", ITE International Conference 1999.
- "Prioritizing Multi-Modal Projects", Pro Walk International Conference, 1996



# **ANDREW LEE, PE, TE**

TRAFFIC ENGINEER

Andrew Lee has 11 years' experience with a variety of transportation projects throughout California. His work at Parisi encompasses a wide variety of project types and phases, spanning from initial transportation planning and conceptual design; to detailed traffic and civil designs, plans, specifications, and cost estimates (PS&E); and Caltrans permitting. Andrew specializes in developing innovative and creative designs for multimodal traffic, including Vision Zero projects, vehicular and bicycle roundabouts, one- and two-way separated bikeways (cycletracks), multiuse paths, and ADA retrofits to pedestrian facilities. As a transportation planner with the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA), he helped identify a staff-recommended alternative on the Geary Corridor Bus Rapid Transit project and three unique alternatives for the Better Market Street project. His broader experience includes non-motorized transportation planning, transit access studies, and traffic circulation studies.

Mr. Lee specializes in Complete Streets, transit and transitoriented development, transportation element updates, travel demand modeling, and Safe Routes to School projects. His relevant experience in these areas includes:

#### **COMPLETE STREETS**

- Central Marin Ferry Roundabout Design, Larkspur: Traffic engineer
- · Tiburon Boulevard Bike Box Design, Tiburon: Traffic engineer
- Madera Blvd. Roundabout Design, Corte Madera: Traffic engineer
- · Hearst Avenue Complete Street, Berkeley: Traffic engineer
- Woodside Road (SR 84) Complete Street Plan: Traffic engineer
- SFMTA 2013-2018 Bicycle Strategy, San Francisco: Project manager

#### **SAFETY AND VISION ZERO**

- San Francisco Vision Zero Ramp Intersections Study, San Francisco: Project manager
- Marin County Systemic Safety Analysis, Marin County: Traffic engineer
- Better Market Street, San Francisco: Transportation planner
- · San Bruno Walk 'n' Bike Plan: Traffic engineer
- Napa Valley Vine Train Crossing Study, Napa County: Traffic engineer
- Bay Trail-Vine Trail Feasibility Study, Vallejo: Traffic engineer
- Transit and Transit-Oriented Development

- · Marin Transit Bus Stop Improvements, Larkspur: Traffic engineer
- · Geary Bus Rapid Transit, San Francisco: Transportation planner
- · Market Street Transit Optimization Plan, Transportation planner

#### **SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL**

- San Mateo County SR 2S Program (Half Moon Bay, Burlingame, Millbrae, San Carlos, South San Francisco): Transportation engineer
- Las Lomitas Elementary School Transportation Study, Atherton: Traffic engineer
- · Marin County SR 2S Program, Marin County: Traffic engineer

#### **PROFESSIONAL HIGHLIGHTS**

- · Registered Civil Engineer and Traffic Engineer
- 11 years of experience
- California Traffic Control Devices Committee (CTC-DC)
   2015 quarterly meeting presenter, "Experimental Treatment, SR 131-Blackfield Bike Boxes"
- California by Bike 2013 Conference Presenter, "SFMTA Bicycle Strategy"
- UCLA Complete Streets 2013 Conference Presenter, "Building a Better Market Street"
- SF Bay ITE 2013 monthly meeting presenter, "Geary Bus Rapid Transit Project"
- · SPUR SF 2012 presenter, "Geary Boulevard"

#### **EDUCATION**

- · M.A. Urban Planning, UCLA, 2010
- B.S. Civil Engineering, Cal Poly SLO, 2002
- · UC Berkeley Extension, Project Management, 2013

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

"Commute Distance and Ethnic Neighborhoods", TRB 201



# Cindy Arrington, M.S., RPA

Principal

Education

M.S., Historical Archeology, California State University, San Jose B.A., Anthropology, California State University, San Jose

#### Certifications/Affiliations

Registered Professional Archeologist 40-hour Hazardous Operations and Response Certification (#99-146) Society for California Archaeology Society for Historical Archaeology

**Cindy Arrington** has more than 20 years of experience in cultural resources management. She is experienced with the regulatory framework in California, Wyoming, Nevada, Washington, and Oregon. She has also served as a corporate trainer providing private and public clients with instruction in Section 106 and consulting with Native American groups.

Ms. Arrington has extensive experience in multidisciplinary team management in the environmental profession. She has expertise in project performance and compliance with federal, state, and local regulations; implementation of environmental mitigation monitoring plans for complex construction projects; preparation of reports; and direction of cultural resources surveys, and excavation. Her wide range of experience in cultural resource management includes the development of cultural mitigation treatment plans; conducting cultural resource assessments on small- and large-scale projects, and California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)/National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) documentation.

Ms. Arrington has authored/co-authored hundreds of technical reports under compliance with federal, state, and local regulations (NEPA, NHPA, Section 106, CEQA, SEPA) and agencies (U.S. Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Forest Service, California Energy Commission, California Department of Transportation, California Public Utilities Commission, etc.).

#### Representative Project Experience

Green Valley Road Project, El Dorado County, Project Manager. Cultural resource services included literature and Sacred Lands File searches, a pedestrian survey of the Area of Potential Effects, on-site Native American consultation, and a project effects assessment. The study was completed in compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended.

Prospect Island Project, Solano County, Project Manager. Responsible for cultural resources report on survey of 1,339 acres for tidal wetlands and fish habitat restoration and preparation of effects assessment for the California Department of Water Resources. Section 106 and CEQA compliance. Recorded and evaluated three historic-era resources. Lead federal agency: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Sacramento District.

Hazardous Materials Building Demolition in San Francisco. Project manager for a team of HAZWOPER trained archeaologists to oversee the demolition and removal of two buildings (foundations and utility lines) known to contain hazardous materials within a historically archealogically sensitive area of San Francisco.

Prospect Ridge Subdivision, City of Folsom, Sacramento County, Project Manager. Cultural resources services by Natural Investigations included literature, Sacred Lands File, and paleontological records searches; contact list request for Senate Bill 18 consultation; pedestrian survey of the proposed project area for cultural and paleontological resources; and technical report. This study was completed in compliance with CEQA. The project consists of developing 8.69 acres on the south side of Levy Road into 35 single-family residential lots, an internal cul-de-sac, and 0.58 acres of open space. The City is the state lead agency for the project.

Placer Greens Development Project, Placer County, Project Manager and Field Director. Cultural resource services included literature and Sacred Lands File searches, a pedestrian survey of the Area of Potential Effects, on-site Native American consultation, and a project effects assessment. The study was completed in compliance with CEQA and with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act in anticipation of the requirement for a Clean Water Act Section 404 permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Archaeological Analysis of Prehistoric and Historic Sites, Yerba Buena Island, Principal Investigator. Oversaw 22 field archaeologists for the excavation and analysis of a prehistoric buried shell midden (known to contain human remains) and historic-period structural remains associated with nineteenth- and early twentieth-century military use of the island. The data recovery excavations addressed adverse effects to the prehistoric component of SFR-4/H and, secondarily, to provide for the compressed evaluation and treatment (consistent with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act) of any historic-period features that might be uncovered during data recovery at the site.

Mill Creek Development Project, Placer County. Project manager for literature and Sacred Lands File searches, pedestrian survey of the Area of Potential Effects, on-site Native American consultation, and a project effects assessment. The study was completed in compliance with CEQA and with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act in anticipation of the requirement for a Clean Water Act Section 404 Permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Panoche Valley Solar Farm, San Benito and Fresno Counties. Project manager for Off-Site Conservation Lands for the Panoche Valley Solar Farm Project. Services completed include cultural resources surveys of 582 acres, three Inventory and Impact Assessment Reports, a supplemental survey to examine documented resources within the APE for the presence of below-ground features, a Supplemental Report for a microwave tower on Panoche Mountain, and an updated records search for the 2,506-acre project.

Amazing Facts Ministries Project, Placer County. Responsible for cultural resources report on limited site testing, effects assessment, and discovery plan for the new facility. Of seven identified resources on the 84-acre property, five prehistoric sites were determined eligible for National and California Register listing under Criterion A/1 for association with larger occupation complex or village, two of which were also eligible under Criterion D/4 for data potential; the project will avoid and have no adverse effect. Section 106 and CEQA compliance; consultation with Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians and United Auburn Indian Community. Also contributed to Operations and Management Plan for Amazing Facts Open Space Preserve and to Perpetual Conservation Easement Grant to protect cultural and natural resources. Lead federal agency: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Sacramento District.

# Nancy Sikes, Ph.D., RPA

Principal Investigator

Education

Ph.D., Anthropology (Archaeology), University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign M.A., Anthropology (Archaeology), University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign B.A. with distinction, Anthropology/Museology, University of Nevada-Reno

Certifications/Affiliations

Registered Professional Archaeologist (RPA) Society for American Archaeology (SAA) Society for California Archaeology (SCA)

**Dr. Nancy Sikes** has more than 25 years of cultural resources and historic preservation experience in a wide range of research settings and world areas. As a Principal Investigator, she has participated in all aspects of cultural resource management projects in Northern and Southern California, Nevada, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming, and has completed hundreds of projects and authored or co-authored technical reports under compliance with federal, state, and local regulations (NEPA, NHPA, Section 106, CEQA, SEPA) and agencies (Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Reclamation, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Forest Service, Yosemite National Park, California Energy Commission, California Department of Transportation [Caltrans], California Public Utilities Commission, Beale Air Force Base, etc.). Nancy has completed dozens of cultural resources sections at a project or program level for EIRs, EISs, EAs, ISs, etc., and developed treatment plans and research designs under state and Section 106 guidelines.

### Representative Project Experience

Auburn State Recreation Area, Resource Management Plan/General Plan, Placer and El Dorado Counties. As Principal Investigator, authored the existing conditions section on cultural and paleontological resources of the RMP/GP-EIS/EIR, and peer reviewed the sections of that document on issues, opportunities and constraints, goals and guidelines for resource protection and management, and environmental impacts of the proposed RMP/GP. The existing conditions section is divided into subsections: Regulatory Setting, Cultural Setting, Documented Cultural Resources, Indian Trust Assets and Indian Sacred Sites, Paleontological Setting, and Documented Paleontological Resources.

Meritage Homes Housing Development, Placer County. Principal Investigator for cultural resources services for a single-family residential project on a 17-acre parcel in the unincorporated community of Granite Bay in southeastern Placer County. The services performed include literature and Sacred Lands File searches, a pedestrian survey of the 17-acre Area of Potential Effects, on-site Native American consultation, and a project effects assessment. The study was completed in compliance with CEQA and with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act in anticipation of the requirement for a Clean Water Act Section 404 permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

County Jail and Ancillary Facilities Project, Napa County, Principal Investigator. Responsible for technical report on 83-acre survey and evaluation of 1937 Brick Plant for National or California Register listing. Section 106 and CEQA compliance. Lead federal agency: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Sacramento District.

U.S. Highway 101 Express Lanes Project, Santa Clara County, Principal Investigator. Responsible for managing and authoring the cultural inventory report (ASR) for Caltrans District 4 for a 38-mile project proposed by the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority in cooperation with Caltrans. Also authored a Phase III Data Recovery Plan for seven sites in area of direct impact (ADI). Section 106 compliance.

Brady at Vineyard Development Project, Placer County. Cultural resource services included literature and Sacred Lands File searches, a pedestrian survey of the Area of Potential Effects, on-site Native American consultation, and a project effects assessment. The study was completed in compliance with CEQA and with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act in anticipation of the requirement for a Clean Water Act Section 404 permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Bay-Delta Plan Amendment Substitute Environmental Document (SED), Central Valley, Principal Cultural Resources Specialist. Authored cultural resources chapter and appendix for amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan for the San Francisco Bay/Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Estuary proposed by the State Water Resources Control Board (SWCRCB) to establish flow and salinity objectives for the Lower San Joaquin River and southern Delta. Covers northern San Joaquin Valley and adjacent foothills. Compliance with NHPA Section 106 and CEQA.

California State Parks Road and Trail Change-in-Use Evaluation Process Program EIR (Statewide), Principal Investigator. Authored cultural resources chapter of the Draft EIR covering archaeological, architectural, and paleontological resources throughout California, with particular reference to resources in State Parks. The proposed process would apply to existing recreational roads and trails and is intended to comprehensively evaluate potential road and trail change-in-use proposals in park units statewide. CEQA compliance.

Concord Community Reuse Plan EIR, Section 106 Consultation and Treatment Plan, Contra Costa County, Principal Investigator. Authored cultural resources chapter for program-level EIR and response to comments for the City of Concord's Reuse Plan for Inland Area of former Concord Naval Weapons Station; attended public meetings. On behalf of the City, participated in Section 106 consultation with Department of the Navy cultural resources staff, Native American tribes (California Valley Miwok Tribe, Ione Band of Miwok Indians, Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians, and Wilton Rancheria), interested parties, and resultant Memorandum of Agreement (MOA). Prepared Historic Property Treatment Plan for National Register eligible prehistoric site containing Native American remains. Compliance with Section 106 and CEQA.

City of Lincoln, Independence EIR, Placer County, Principal Investigator. Responsible for peer review of existing cultural resources technical report and authored the cultural resources EIR section for a master-planned residential community on 94 acres.

Monterey Peninsula Airport Runway Safety Area Improvement Project, City of Monterey, Monterey County, CA. Authored technical report 38.5-acre project. Lead agency: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA); CEQA and Section 106 compliance. State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) concurred with finding of No Historic Properties Affected. Principal Investigator.

Yosemite National Park EIS, Mariposa County,, Principal Investigator. Authored cultural resources sections for Yosemite Institute Environmental Education Campus EIR; compliance with NEPA, Section 106, and Service-wide Programmatic Agreement (PA). Identified and evaluated alternatives for redevelopment at Crane Flat or construction of new campus at Henness Ridge. Lead agency: National Park Service.



#### Patrick Tormay Miller, FASLA, Partner

Patrick Miller is a licensed landscape architect and recreation planner. His work covers all aspects of visual analysis, wildland and urban trail system planning, site planning, facility design, and planting/revegetation design. He has a working knowledge the guidelines regarding visual resource studies, having been involved on projects for a wide variety of federal, state, and local jurisdictions throughout California. His experience includes baseline visual resource inventories, sensitivity and impact analyses, photo-realistic visual simulations, and project mitigation design.

#### Selected Professional Experience

- Prepared visual and aesthetic resource analyses for a wide range of urban projects including Coyote
  Highlands Subdivision EIR, Santa Clara County; Sand Hill Estates EIR, Woodside; Sunrise Assisted Living
  Facility EIR, Lafayette; Highway 92/I-880 Interchange EIR/EIS, Hayward; Kaiser Center Planned Unit
  Development EIR, Oakland; and Douglas Avenue Condominiums EIR, Burlingame.
- Visual resource specialist for a variety of alternative energy projects, including:
  - Soda Mountain Solar Project EIS, Baker, California
  - Four-Mile Hill Geothermal Project EIR/EIS, Modoc and Klamath National Forests
  - Geothermal development adjacent to Coso Hot Springs National Historic Site, Naval Air Weapons Station China Lake
  - Newberry Geothermal Project EIS on the Deschutes National Forest
  - BRP Steam Project, Cobb, California
- Conducted transmission line visual impact assessments for over 30 projects, including the Paradise Area Reinforcement Project, Paradise; Riverside Transmission Reliability Project, Riverside; and Palo Verde/Devers Transmission Line #2 EIR/EIS. Arizona and California.
- Technical advisor and field specialist on the California Coastal Recreation and Aesthetic Resources Inventory
  and Evaluation project of the Bureau of Land Management's Pacific Outer Continental Shelf Office assessing
  the effects of offshore oil development on the aesthetic resources of the California coastline.
- Conducted visual studies for the Pacific Gas and Electric Company's Bass Lake Erosion Control Project, Sierra National Forest.
- Conducted visual analyses and prepared management option plans for the Bureau of Land Management's section of the Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail.
- Responsible for master planning and public outreach programs for over 30 park, open space, and recreation
  areas, including San Mateo Shoreline Parks, San Mateo; Silver Creek Linear Park, San Jose; Coyote Valley
  Open Space Preserve, San Jose; Coyote Creek Parkway Integrated Natural Resource Management and
  Master Plan, Santa Clara County; Dutch Slough Community Park and Tidal Marsh Restoration Project Public
  Access Plan, Oakley; Brannan Island State Recreation Area, Rio Vista; Slide Rock State Park, Sedona,
  Arizona; Skyline Ridge Open Space Preserve, San Mateo and Santa Clara Counties; Citizens' Parks at
  Mount Pukhan National Park, Seoul, Korea; and Nisqually National Wildlife Refuge, Olympia, Washington.
- Consulting planner for the 100-mile-long Lake Berryessa Shoreline Trail for the Bureau of Reclamation. Other trail system planning experience includes the Pacific Crest Trail Management Options Plan for the Bureau of Land Management in Southern California; Santa Ana River Corridor Trails System Master Plan; Mount Pukhan National Park Trail Conservation Plan, Seoul, Korea; Eagle Valley Trail System Master Plan, Carson City, Nevada; Eastern Pima County Trails Master Plan, Tucson, Arizona; San Mateo County Trails Master Plan; Ohlone-Portolá Heritage Trail, San Mateo County; and citywide trails plans for the Cities of Livermore and Concord.
- Project director for the award-winning Santa Clara County Trails Master Plan Update, an element of the County's General Plan.

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- Project director for the San Francisco Bay Trail Design Guidelines and Toolkit addressing the 500-mile Bay Trail system. Principal author of the design chapter in the award-winning book *Trail Planning for California* Communities published by Solano Press.
- Principal planner for the San Joaquin River Parkway Conceptual Plan spanning 22 miles of river corridor in Madera and Fresno Counties and the city of Fresno. Provide continuing consulting services relating to implementation of the parkway.
- Principal planner for the planning and permitting to reconstruct the City of Berkeley Tuolumne Camp in the Stanislaus National Forest destroyed by the Rim Fire in 2013.

#### **Education**

MLA University of California, Berkeley

BLA State University College of Environmental Science and Forestry, Syracuse, New York

#### **Professional Affiliations**

Registered Landscape Architect: California (License #1842)

American Society of Landscape Architects, Fellow

Anderson Valley Land Trust, Board of Directors: 2002-Present (current President of the Board)

#### **Honors and Awards**

- Nisqually National Wildlife Refuge Conceptual Plan (for EDAW Inc.) Honor Award. American Society of Landscape Architects, 1979
- Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail Management Options Plan Merit Award. American Society of Landscape Architects Northern California Chapter. 1983
- A Master Plan for Hidden Villa Merit Award. California Council of Landscape Architects, 1985
- Lee Garden Honor Award. American Society of Landscape Architects Northern California Chapter, 1988
- San Joaquin River Parkway and Environs Conceptual Plan, Merit Award. American Society of Landscape Architects Northern California Chapter, 1990; Merit Award. California Council of Landscape Architects, 1991
- Windsor Lakes Concept Plan Merit Award. California Council of the American Society of Landscape Architects, 1993
- Brigantino Revegetation Plan Excellence in Reclamation Award. California Mining Association, 1993
- Santa Clara County Trails Master Plan Update 1995 Outstanding Environmental Resource Document, Association
  of Environmental Professionals; Trail Advocacy Award, American Trails, National Trails Symposium, 1996; Creative
  Designs for Conservation Award, Bay Trail Project, 1996; Award of Merit, Northern Section CCAPA, 1996
- Association of Bay Area Governments, Bay Trail Champion Award, 1997
- Philo Garden, Award of Excellence, Sunset's Western Garden Design Awards, 1999
- Project Recognition: San Joaquin River Parkway, Centennial Medallion Project, American Society of Landscape Architects, 1999–2000
- San Mateo Shoreline Parks, Award of Excellence, California Park and Recreation Society, 2005
- Coyote Creek Parkway County Park Integrated Resource Management and Master Plan, Merit Award, American Society of Landscape Architects Northern California Chapter, 2007
- Trail Planning for California Communities (Design Chapter) 2010 Outstanding Environmental Resource Document, Association of Environmental Professionals; 2010 Merit Award, American Society of Landscape Architects Northern California Chapter; 2010 Media Award, American Planning Association California Northern Section; 2010 Merit Award, American Planning Association California Chapter
- Martial Cottle State and County Park Master Plan (with DC&E); Merit Award, American Society of Landscape Architects Northern California Chapter, 2011
- Breuner Marsh Restoration and Public Access Plan (with Questa Engineering/WRA); Merit Award, American Society of Landscape Architects Northern California Chapter, 2013
- Captain Fletcher's Inn at Navarro-by-the-Sea Preservation Design Award, California Preservation Foundation, 2014;
   Governor's Historic Preservation Award, State of California Office of Historic Preservation, 2014
- San Francisco Bay Trail Design Guidelines and Toolkit Merit Award, California Trails and Greenways Conference, 2017; Urban Design Award of Excellence, Northern California Chapter, American Planning Association, 2017; Excellence on the Waterfront, Waterfront Center, 2018

# CSW ST2 WAYNE LEACH, PE

Wayne's experience includes managing a wide variety of planning and engineering projects for public and

private clients over the past 25 years. Wayne has worked in a number of different capacities within both the public and private sectors. His experience includes senior and affordable housing projects, infrastructure, road design, hydrology and hydraulic design, agency processing and entitlements, boundary resolution and title research, preparation of specifications and bid documents, construction management and coordination. Wayne has been instrumental in processing a variety of projects through the local and state level, including Caltrans encroachment permits.

#### RELEVANT PROJECT EXPERIENCE

- Fairfax Parkade, Fairfax
- 500 Miller Avenue Design, Construction Administration, and Construction Staking, Mill Valley
- Hamilton Airfield Army Base Reuse, Novato
- Meadow Park Affordable Housing Subdivision, Novato
- Atherton Ranch Subdivision, Novato
- Deer Creek Village Mixed-Use Public Improvement Plans, Petaluma
- Quarry Heights Residential Subdivision, Petaluma
- Aegis San Rafael Development, San Rafael
- San Rafael Corporation Yard Improvements, San Rafael
- Novato Police Department ADA Parking and Path of Travel Improvements, Novato
- Muir Beach Community Services District Sunset Way Improvements, Muir Beach
- Petaluma Junction Design and ALTA Survey, Petaluma
- Miracle League Ball Field, Petaluma
- Corona SMART Station Parking Garage, Petaluma
- AppLovin Encroachment Permit, Palo Alto
- Sharon Park Boundary and Topographic Mapping, Menlo Park

#### **EDUCATION**

B.S., Civil Engineering, Cal Poly San Luis Obispo

#### REGISTRATION

Professional Civil Engineer California - No 54309 Certified Professional in Erosion & Sediment Control CPESC No 3614

#### **AFFILIATIONS**

American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC), Past President of Marin Chapter Home Builders Association of Northern California, Current State Director Petaluma Chamber of Commerce, President International Erosion Control Association (IECA)

#### Resume

### CAROL L. RICE

# Senior Wildland Fire Manager

Carol Rice provides expertise in fire management, with specialized knowledge in fire behavior (i.e., spread and potential loss) along with fire codes and policies, risk assessment, structural ignition potential, fire ecology, defensible space creation and maintenance, and fuel and vegetation management.

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

General Manager, Wildland Resource Management, Reno, NV, and Alamo, CA. Since 2013.

President, Wildland Resource Management, Inc., Walnut Creek and Alamo, CA. Head of consulting firm focusing on fire management. Responsible for marketing and program planning as well as contract performance. 1979–2013.

Associate Director, Fire Research Institute, Roslyn, WA, and Walnut Creek, CA. Established and comanaged a nonprofit international organization of fire researchers and managers from 1983 to 1992.

Resource Analyst, Arabian American Oil Co., Community Services Programs and Planning, Dhahran, Saudi Arabia. Authored project proposals and performed analysis of department issues. Responsible for cost estimates and proponent representation for expenses totaling \$11 million. 1976–1979.

Fire Ecologist, USDA Forest Service, Big Bar, CA. Designed and conducted study of fire ecology in the Trinity Alps, Shasta Trinity National Forest. 1975.

#### **EDUCATION**

Bachelor of Science, 1975 (forestry), University of California at Berkeley.

Master of Science, Fire Science and Management. University of California, Berkeley, Wildland Resource Sciences Program. Master's thesis evaluated potential fire behavior in the urban interface of the Berkeley/Oakland hills. 1987.

#### PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION

- Co-Chair, Wildland-Urban Interface Committee, Northern California Fire Prevention Officers, 2011–2015
- California Wildfire Coordinating Group Prevention Committee, 2012–2017.
- Certified Senior Wildland Fire Manager from the Association for Fire Ecology, 2012.
- \* Education Award, American Planning Association, Northern California Section 2011 for the book *Managing Fire in the Urban Wildland Interface*.
- Outstanding Environmental Resource Document for the book Managing Fire in the Urban Wildland Interface, Association of Environmental Professionals, 2011.
- Oakland/Berkeley Mayors Task Force for Post-Fire Policy Recommendation, 1991–1992.
- ❖ Subject-Matter Editor, Journal of Wildland Fire Science and Management, 1990–1992.
- Guest Lecturer, California Polytechnic University, San Luis Obispo 2011. Natural Resources Management Department (Fire in the Wildland Urban Interface).

Guest Lecturer, University of California, Berkeley - Environmental Science, Policy and Management, 1998 and 1999 (fire behavior prediction systems), Department of Forestry and Conservation, 1990 (wildland-urban interface fire issues), Department of Geology and Geophysics, 1989 (fire ecology), Department of Geography (fire ecology).

#### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATION

Society of American Foresters International Association of Wildland Fire The Nature Conservancy Northern California Fire Prevention Officers California Native Plant Society Association for Fire Ecology

#### BOARD OF DIRECTOR EXPERIENCE

- ❖ International Association of Wildland Fire: Vice-President, Secretary of Board of Directors, 1998–2008; Program Co-Chair Second International Congress on Fire Ecology and Management, 2003; Steering Committee Coordinator, California's 2001 Wildfire Conference.
- National Fire Protection Association: Member of Task Force to establish Wildland Fire Section, 1987–1988; Second Vice-chair of Wildland Fire Section, 1990–1994; Managing Editor, Section newsletter, 1988–1990.
- ❖ California-Nevada-Hawaii Forest Fire Council: Chair 1985–1986, Vice-Chair 1984–1985, Program Chair 1983, 2001, and 2014; Secretary 2015–present.

#### RECENT PUBLICATIONS, PRESENTATIONS, AND REPORTS

Carol L. Rice. 2018. Fire history, ecology, and management in the oak woodlands of California. Invited presentation at the California Native Plant Society Conservation Conference, February 1–3, Los Angeles. In press.

Carol L. Rice. 2015. Simulated effects of wildfire on water quality on the Mokelumne Watershed for the East Bay Municipal Water District using FlamMap and FARSITE. Presentation to the California-Nevada-Hawaii Forest Fire Council, South Lake Tahoe, October 21, 2015.

Carol L. Rice. 2013. Planning to Live with Fire: Tools and Best Practices. Invited presentation to the Board of Forestry, December 4, 2014.

Carol L. Rice, Sarah McCaffrey, and Molly Mowery. 2013. Community Wildfire Protection Planning. An invited webinar as part of the Planning for Growth and Open Space Conservation webinar series, November 6, 2013.

Carol L. Rice 2012. Planning to Live with Fire: Designing and Retrofitting Communities with Fire in Mind. Webinar presented January 26, 2012. http://uc-d.adobeconnect.com/p13qiwdmlmk/. California Fire Science Consortium.

Kenneth S. Blonski, Cheryl Miller. and Carol L. Rice. 2010. Fire in the Urban Wildland Interface: Practical Solutions for Local Government, Planners, Fire Authorities, Developers, and Homeowners. Solano Press, Point Arena, CA.

Carol L. Rice, Ronny J. Coleman, and Mike Price. 2011. Clarifying evacuation options through fire behavior and traffic modeling. Presented at the International Association of Wildland Fire Second Human Dimensions of Wildland Fire, 2011. Proceedings available at www.treesearch.fs.fed.us and www.iawfonline.org.