

State News for NSPE Members

Upcoming Webinar: Engineering, Ethics and Alternative Dispute Resolution

Ethics and Alternative Dispute Resolution



Zoom Webinar

Thursday, January 25, 12-1 p.m.

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Please join NSPE-CA on **Thursday, January 25** (noon to 1:00 p.m.), for a free webinar on ethics and dispute resolution featuring Rebecca Bowman, Esq., P.E., the senior director for ethics and professional practice for NSPE. During the webinar, she will discuss the structures of dispute resolution; review different roles that engineers can play; refer to the NSPE Code of Ethics; and analyze Board of Ethical Review cases. [Reserve your spot today!](#)

NSPE-CA Event Recap: Tour of the Sierra Nevada Brewery

Members of NSPE-CA and guests received an engineering-specific tour of Sierra Nevada Brewing Company's Chico location in December. The tour was led by Bailey Smith, P.E., a staff member at Sierra Nevada. She fielded wide-ranging questions, and discussion included wastewater treatment, solar system maintenance, and heat and CO2 recovery. A no-host lunch followed at the adjacent

restaurant and brewpub, where members were able to get to know each other better during casual conversation in a relaxed atmosphere. Several facility tours are planned for 2024. Please join us!



From left, Bailey Smith of Sierra Nevada Brewing Co., Mike Ozatalar, Andrew Johnson, Harold Hartman, Judith Blades, Jodie Ozatalar, Chuck Baldwin, Corey

Hartwig, Jeanne Marie Tokunaga. Also shown, brewery mascot Bigfoot.

[Access more event photos.](#)

Save the Dates for 2024 Events

February 19

San Diego Engineers Week Awards Banquet

[Learn More.](#)

*To learn how to purchase tickets, contact NSPE-CA Treasurer Ken Discenza at (916) 540-7462 or send him an [email](#).

February 22

(Noon - 1:00 p.m.)

Careers with Caltrans (Zoom)

March 9

(8:30 a.m. – 11 a.m.)

Tour of San Onofre Nuclear Generation Station

April 5

(10:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.)

Tour of The Geysers

Middletown, California

May 9

(10:00 a.m.)

Tour of US Army Corps of Engineers Bay Model

A scale model of the San Francisco Bay and Sacramento River Delta

Sausalito, California

As details are finalized and registration opens, events and links will be listed on the [NSPE-CA home page](#).

Events Task Force Meetings

All NSPE-CA members are invited to participate in events planning sessions as their schedules allow. The next session will take place from 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. on **January 30, February 27, and March 19**. Email Executive Director Jeanne Marie Tokunaga, CAE, at admin@nspe-ca.org to receive the Zoom login information.

Upcoming NSPE-CA BOD Meetings

All NSPE-CA members are invited to attend the board of directors meetings. Email Executive Director Jeanne Marie Tokunaga, CAE, at admin@nspe-ca.org to receive login information.

Via Zoom

January 19 — 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

April 19 — 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

In Pasadena

(Zoom option)

July 13 — 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

State Licensing Board News

"California for All" Survey

The [California Board for Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors, and Geologists \(BPELSG\)](#), in support of the Governor's Executive Order (N-16-22) strengthening the commitment to a "California for All," asks you to [please take a brief survey](#). The responses are anonymous and will be open until **January 31**. The Department of Consumer Affairs' SOLID Planning Unit will add your feedback to the analysis to help the Board supplement its strategic plan.

Survey on Requiring Continuing Education

The BPELSG is exploring the requirement for Continuing Professional Competency (CPC) through Professional Development Hours (PDHs) at the time of the biennial renewal. CPC will focus on the advancement, extension, and improvement of the technical aspects and professional skills of the licensee and on the enhancement of professional ethics. Your feedback through a survey is welcome and important. This survey is available until March 1, and should not take more than 5-10 minutes of your time. [Access the survey](#).

Sunset Review Report

The BPELSG 2023-24 Sunset Review Report has been submitted to the California State Legislature and is now available on the [board's website](#).

New Website Showcases Investments in California Infrastructure

Governor Gavin Newsom's Administration recently [launched Build.ca.gov](#) to highlight once-in-a-generation investments in California infrastructure that will benefit communities around the state. The new website outlines how state and federal infrastructure investments – \$180 billion expected over the next 10 years – are tackling some of California's toughest challenges, including climate change, equity, and jobs. Build.ca.gov is tracking where money is going while showcasing individual projects and what they mean for the communities they're in.



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Ventura, CA

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Stay up to date on legislative issues through the [NSPE Advocacy Center](#).

Help Guide the Future of NICET's SSI Program

The National Institute for Certification in Engineering Technologies (NICET), a division of the NSPE, is developing a certification program for the Systems Software Integrator (SSI) certification program. NICET invites you to [participate in the SSI Job Task Analysis survey](#) to provide vital feedback needed to develop the program.

The SSI certification program seeks to reduce risk, improve quality, and ensure public safety from new emerging technologies as software and information technology increasingly converges with the operation of physical processes and machinery affecting our lives.

We highly value the insight you can provide and would greatly appreciate you taking the time to complete the survey by February 5. After completing the survey,

participants can enter into a drawing for a \$100 Amazon gift card.

[Take the Survey](#)

Nominations Open: 2024 Excellence Awards

Please consider nominating a colleague for an NSPE Excellence Award.

NSPE Award : The NSPE Award is the highest award given to an individual by the Society. It is presented to an engineer who has made outstanding contributions to the engineering profession, the public welfare, and humankind. The nomination deadline is March 1.

New Professional Award : This award recognizes a young NSPE member who has made outstanding contributions to the engineering profession and the community during the early years of one's career. The nomination deadline is March 1.

Engineering Education Excellence Award : This award recognizes engineering faculty who have demonstrated the ability to link engineering education with professional practice. The recipients must be licensed and have a faculty appointment in an ABET-accredited engineering program. The nomination deadline is March 31.

Call for NSPE Fellow Membership Nominees

Nominations for the **NSPE Fellow Membership Grade** are **due by March 1**. This prestigious national program aims to recognize dedicated professional engineers who have demonstrated outstanding and sustained service at the chapter, state, and national levels of NSPE. [Access more information about the nomination process](#).

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