#### State News for NSPE Members

# **Guam Licensing Board Issues Memo on Technical Reviews**

The Guam Board of Registration for Professional Engineers, Architects and Land Surveyors has issued a memorandum on technical reviews. This memorandum addresses concerns about the preparation and submittal of maps, plans, drawings, and other technical submissions for review by the public or government agencies. Read more.

#### **Board Meeting**

The Guam licensing board will hold its next meeting on **Thursday**, **July 28**, at 3:00 p.m. Access more information here.

# **Decreased Funding Available for Road Repairs, Report Shows**

The COVID-19 Pandemic and consumers trying to cut costs has resulted in fewer tax dollars for highway repairs on Guam. *The Guam Daily Post* reports that limitations on travel and a decrease in tourism has slimmed down the coffers of the Guam Highway Fund.

"The Department of Administration's management expects there may be continued reductions in revenues for the remainder of the public health emergency," the Guam Office of Public Accountability stated in a recent report.

Total revenues decreased by \$5.1 million, or 20%, to \$20.1 million in fiscal 2020, according to the agency. In total, \$16.3 million was related to highways or transportation.

### **Bill Seeks to Help Consumers with Energy Costs**

A proposed law seeks to give \$500 credits to each residential and commercial

customer of the Guam Power Authority, *The Guam Daily Post* reports. The credits would be spread out into \$100 increments over five months and would be issued to customer accounts rather than being given as direct funds to customers.

The bill was introduced by Senator Joe San Agustin. To fund the measure, Bill 325 proposes to raise the General Fund budget for fiscal year 2022 by about \$25.3 million, which would then be dedicated to the power credit program.

Stay up to date on legislative issues through the NSPE Advocacy Center.

#### Missouri PE Takes the Lead of NSPE



Britt Smith P.E., F.NSPE, has started his term as NSPE's 2022–23 president. A formal installation ceremony will take place during the Professional Engineers Conference in Philadelphia on August 2.

"I can say honestly that I could not be more humbled to be the next president of NSPE," Smith stated during the recent House of Delegates General Assembly. "I never dreamed that I would be in this position but knew that I wanted to just give back to the profession that has provided so much for me and my family."

Smith is currently the operations division director for the City of Jefferson, where he manages all aspects of operations related to streets, parking, central maintenance, city facilities, and the airport, and leverages all available resources to accomplish the varying missions of each division. He also has experience as an engineering consultant and served in the US Army. Smith graduated from the Missouri University of Science and Technology (formerly the University of Missouri – Rolla) with a bachelor's degree in aerospace engineering.

Since becoming a member of NSPE and the Missouri Society of Professional Engineers in 1997, Smith has held many volunteer leadership positions with the Society including serving on the Committee on Policy and Advocacy, the Honors and Awards Committee, the Delivery System, Communication, and Technology Task Force, and as Missouri's representative to the House of Delegates. Smith was named an NSPE Fellow in 2016. In Missouri, he served in a variety of chapter and state-level leadership positions, including as the 2011-2012 state president and president of the Jefferson City Chapter in 2001.

A strong dedication to volunteering also extends into Smith's local community where he is involved with the United Way of Central Missouri and as a counselor for the Jefferson City Marriage Encounter. He has previously dedicated many years

to the local Boy Scouts troop and as a volunteer baseball/softball coach.

#### **Reconnect at NSPECon 2022**

Attendance at NSPECon 2022 in Philadelphia, August 1-3, is the best opportunity to engage and learn with your colleagues. The conference features multiple education tracks in leadership, trends in the industry, and career development. Registration is open until July 28.

#### **Featured Keynote Speaker**



Commander Mary Kelly, US Navy (Ret.), Ph.D., CSP, CPAE, will present "6-5-7: The 6 Stages of Any Crisis, Challenge, or Change, the 5 Steps to P.I.V.O.T. for Success, and 7 Leadership Reminders To Lead Through It." Registered attendees will receive exclusive access to an online vault full of bonus resources from Commander Kelly.

#### **Conference Session Highlights**

- You Want Me to Lead WHO to do WHAT? Lessons from the Frontlines of Engineering Leadership
- Reliability and Resilience of Energy Systems under Extreme Weather Events
- Generation Next: Engaging Multi-Generational Engineers
- Defending the License
- Career Development in Practice, Not Theory
- PE Day Luncheon & Panel Discussion: Engineering Challenges of the 21st Century

Access the full NSPECon program.

### PE Day is Coming!

Celebrate licensure and the profession with PEs around the world on Wednesday, August 3, during the

seventh annual Professional Engineers Day! Whether you plan to celebrate PE Day at home, in the office, or with your peers at the NSPECon 2022 in Philadelphia, you can show off your PE pride by sporting some PE Day logo wear for this year's event.



NSPE's apparel shop features the PE Day logo on a variety of items including many styles of t-shirts and other apparel for men, women, and kids, as well as accessories like mugs, notebooks, tote bags, wall prints, and even phone cases.

Shop now to celebrate in style!

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