

On the Move

Dan Brown, Chief Engineer and Senior Principal of Dan Brown and Associates, has been selected as the 2022-2023 Deep Foundations Institute (DFI) Traveling Lecturer. He is available, at the request of DFI, to present lectures from September 1, 2022, to August 31, 2023.



Brown

As a key figure in the construction and design of deep foundations, Brown will travel and present a series of lectures to university students, professional groups, and industry associations. The program promotes the field of geotechnical engineering and deep foundation construction by encouraging students to explore a career in the deep foundations industry, providing information on topics of interest to members of the industry, and raising awareness of how DFI and its activities support the industry.

Build Group announced that Pacific Structures, a Build Group enterprise that operates several subcontracting entities across the West Coast, has named **Brandon Tirri** as CEO. Tirri will direct and oversee all of the Pacific Structures entities.

In his new position, Tirri will assume responsibility for day-to-day leadership functions, with a focus on growing and developing best-in-class subcontracting companies. He will work in partnership with the Board of Directors and other key stakeholders, internally and externally, to drive the businesses forward, support employee career advancement, and continue operating as a trade partner with a diverse client base across the various regions in which the business operates.

California general contractor Webcor has elevated longtime company leader **Jitendra Pahilajani** to Executive Vice President (EVP), responsible for all general contractor activities. In his new role, Pahilajani joins the company's Board of Directors, which directs Webcor's strategy while representing the interests of the company's stakeholders.



Pahilajani

In his role as EVP, Builders—a new position established as part of a long-term succession plan—Pahilajani is responsible for all general contracting activities and reports to Matt Rossie, Webcor's President and Chief Operating Officer.

Pahilajani received his bachelor's degree in civil engineering from Veermata Jijabai Technological Institute in Mumbai, India. He received his master's degree in structural engineering from Arizona State University, AZ, USA, where

he completed his master's thesis on "Fabric Reinforced Cement-Based Laminated Composites."

Wells, a prefabricated building solutions provider in the United States, has added **Megan Kocchi** as its Director of Marketing.



Kocchi

Working closely with Kimberly Wacker, Senior Vice President and Chief Strategy Officer, Kocchi will develop the marketing team, support product growth initiatives, create marketing programs, and craft external client communications. As the national marketing lead, she will support company-wide business objectives and customer retention efforts, align with the sales and preconstruction teams to best position Wells' building solutions in the market, and increase awareness of the Wells brand to partners and clients.

The American Council of Engineering Companies/Michigan (ACEC/M) has announced **Christopher Cook**, from Abonmarche Consultants, as its 2021-2022 President. Cook has been the President of Abonmarche for the past 15 years and has been with the company for 28 years. Abonmarche is a civil engineering, architecture, surveying, planning, landscape architecture, and coastal engineering firm with offices in Michigan, USA, and Indiana, USA. Cook received his BS from the University of Michigan, and became a licensed engineer in 1991. He is licensed in both Michigan and Indiana.



Cook

In addition to being the current President of the ACEC/M, he has also served as President of the Michigan Society of Professional Engineers (MSPE) and was named Young Engineer of the Year in 1995. He is a member of the Chi Epsilon Civil Engineering Honor Society. Cook has a long history of community service for numerous agencies, which led to him receiving the ACEC National Community Service Award.

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