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Focal Point

Getting to know you

7 Simple questions for Russell Smith, Treasurer

- 1. Where did you grow up? I was born in Selma, CA and grew up in Fresno
- Where did you go to school / learn to survey? I went to school at CSU, Fresno and learned surveying while there, but I focused on Photogrammetry
- 3. What brought you to Sacramento? I was a student assistant for Caltrans Headquarters. After graduation, I work in Utah and Colorado, but returned to Caltrans Headquarter after gaining experience.
- 4. Where do you work? (Company/Job Title/ Responsibilities) I am the Mapping Branch Chief for the Office of Photogrammetry and Preliminary Investigations at Caltrans Headquarters.
- 5. What is the most interesting Survey project you have been involved with? I surveyed twenty

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Join us Thursday, September 8th!

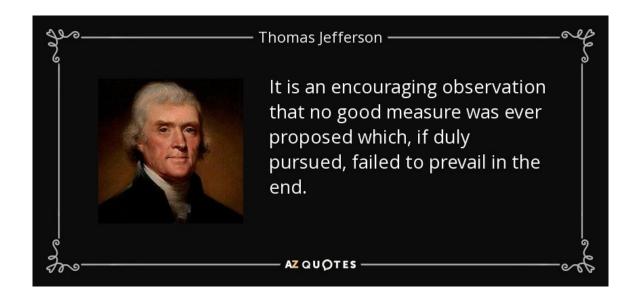
See inside for details!



SEPTEMBER CHAPTER MEETING



Thursday, September 8, 2022 Logan's Roadhouse 3698 N. Freeway Blvd. Sacramento, CA 95834



Upcoming Webinar

Mapping the Path for the Future Generation

Presented by:

Trent Keenan |

Diamondback Land Surveying

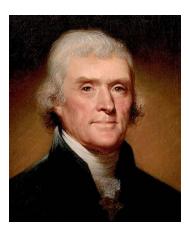
(free to members)



Vendors Night is in October.

Please contact Nathan (<u>Nathan.Buchholz@water.ca.gov</u>) if you are interested in participating.

Do you want to know who you are? Don't ask! Act! Action will delineate and define you.



Nominations for Chapter officers will be at our September meeting!



bridges in the desert near Palm Spring during a super bloom

- 6. What types of jobs did you have before you became a **surveyor?** I started working at eleven years old as a paper boy. I have been a farmworker, an office tech and computer tech, interpreter, sandblaster, railroad rail repairman, CADD draftsman, and had my own business as a pool tile cleaner while in college.
- 7. What's something interesting most people don't know about you? I was a BSA scoutmaster for twenty years and I ride a bicycle to and from work every day.



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