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### **Provost & Pritchard adds three new professionals to staff**

**Fresno, CA:** Provost & Pritchard Consulting Group has added three professionals to their staff: Rick Darnley, principal construction manager; Jamie Persico, GIT, associate geologist; and Nick Strait, marketing coordinator. Darnley and Strait are based at the firm's Fresno office, and Persico is based at the Clovis office.

"We are pleased to welcome Rick Darnley, Jamie Persico, and Nick Strait to our staff," said Dale Melville, Provost & Pritchard's president. "Darnley brings a strong background in construction management, and will play an instrumental role in enhancing our construction services capabilities. Jamie Persico will work alongside our environmental specialists and our other geologists. Nick Strait will expand our business development capabilities through the preparation of formal proposals and graphical needs."

Darnley brings more than 35 years in construction management, quality control, and large project coordination. His expertise includes healthcare, education, and public works facilities, which required project tracking, contract review, budgeting, cost estimates, scheduling, quality control/quality assurance, and similar technical services. Many of Darnley's projects have been performed in accordance with the requirements of the Federal Aviation Administration, Federal Railroad Administration, Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development, Division of State Architecture, and California Administrative Code Standards.

Persico is a registered geologist-in-training (GIT) in California with four years of geological and environmental experience. With a bachelor's degree in Geological Sciences from University of California, Santa Barbara, she has conducted Phase I and II Environmental Site Assessments, preliminary environmental assessments, and other environmental sampling throughout the San Joaquin Valley. Persico's experience also includes collecting and synthesizing data from regulatory agencies and sampling groundwater, soil, and soil vapor.

Strait has 13 years of marketing, business development, and media relations experience. He holds a master's degree in Sports Management from the University of San Francisco and a bachelor's degree in Psychology from California State University, Fresno. Strait's recent experience includes six years of providing marketing services for professional service firms, including preparing proposals and statements of qualifications, graphic design, and social media.

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Established in 1968, Provost & Pritchard Consulting Group has a strong tradition of engineering and consulting excellence throughout California. With office locations in Fresno, Clovis, Visalia, Bakersfield, Modesto, Los Banos and Chico, the firm features a mix of seasoned professionals, complemented by younger staff with fresh ideas. Provost & Pritchard specializes in civil and agricultural engineering, environmental and land use planning, hydrogeology and geology, surveying, and construction management services in the areas of water resources, municipal infrastructure, agriculture, site development, and environmental compliance. For more information, visit [www.ppeng.com](http://www.ppeng.com) or email [info@ppeng.com](mailto:info@ppeng.com).

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