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Provost & Pritchard staff expands with addition of three new professionals

Fresno, CA: Provost & Pritchard Consulting Group has expanded with the addition of three professionals. Joining the firm's staff are: Jeff Fugelsang, GISP as a senior planner; Debora De La Torre, as an assistant engineer; and Brandon Carrera as a senior engineering technician. Fugelsang and Carrera are based out of Provost & Pritchard's Fresno office, and De La Torre will work out of the Visalia office.

"We are pleased to welcome Jeff Fugelsang, Debora De La Torre, and Brandon Carrera to the Provost & Pritchard family," said Dale Melville, Provost & Pritchard's president. "Jeff has a strong background in economic development, planning, and environmental compliance, and will be an asset to our planning projects and clients. Debora is a recent college graduate in civil engineering who will work with our water resource group. Brandon has extensive experience in CAD software and will be an excellent complement to Provost & Pritchard's design projects."

Fugelsang has eight years of experience in planning including the management of more than 300 urban and rural development projects, including tentative maps and building permits. With a recent tenure with Merced County and the Merced Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO), his expertise also includes community/general plan updates, conservation projects, conditions and mitigation monitoring, California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act (CKH), and Municipal Service Reviews (MSRs). Fugelsang holds a bachelor's degree in geography with a geographic information systems (GIS) certificate from California State University, Fresno and is certified as a Geographic Information Systems Professional (GISP).

De La Torre recently graduated from California State University, Fresno with a bachelor's degree in civil engineering, and will have a master's in engineering in December 2014. De La Torre's experience includes an internship with the U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service, where she worked with engineers and hydrologists to develop flow frequencies for Sierra National Forest's watersheds. Her additional experience includes water sampling, road surveys, culvert design, and AutoCAD drawings.

Carrera has nine years of engineering design experience and is proficient in civil engineering design software such as AutoCAD Civil 3D, AutoCAD, and Land Development Desktop. His experience includes the production of exhibits, site plans, improvement plans, topographic surveys, earthwork volume calculations, and quantity estimation for bidding purposes and map closure calculations. Carrera has worked on projects for both commercial/residential developments and public works.

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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 or email info@ppeng.com.

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