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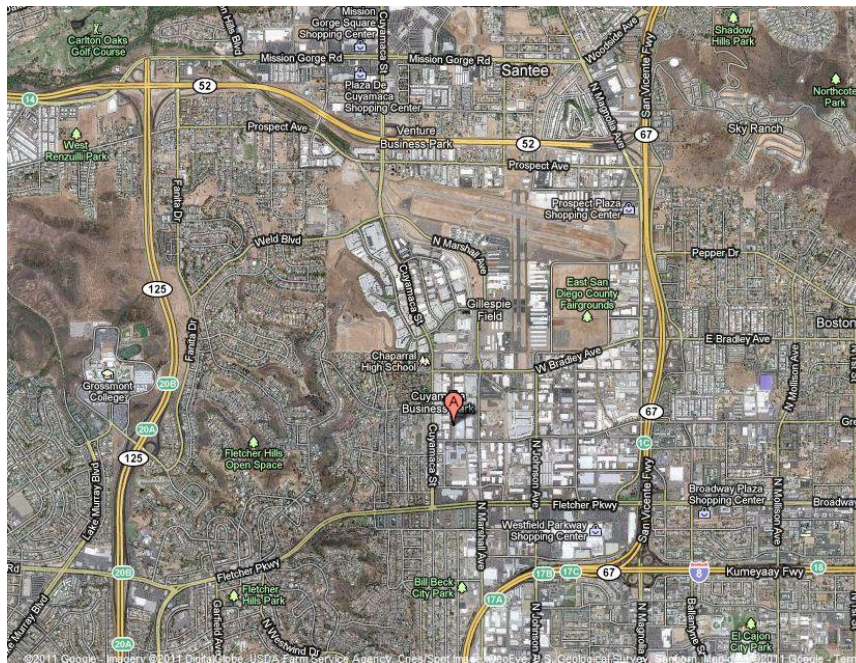
WEDNESDAY, August 17TH, 2011

San Vicente Dam Raise

Presented by

Dave Schug – URS Corporation

Where: Sunbelt Publications, Inc. 1256 Fayette Street El Cajon, CA 92020 (619)258-4911



When: 5:30 pm – Social Hour
6:30 pm – Dinner
7:15 pm – Program

Dinner: Lasagna (*Casserole Italiano*)

Cost: \$30 per person, \$5 discount for members, STUDENTS: \$20. Walk-Ins and 11th Hour Reservations, please add \$5.

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SPEAKER ABSTRACT

The San Vicente Dam Raise

Dave Schug, URS Corporation, 4225 Executive Square #1600, San Diego, California – 858.812.9292

The San Diego County Water Authority (Water Authority) is undertaking a raise of the existing San Vicente Dam to provide both emergency and carryover storage to increase local reservoir supplies in San Diego County, California. This paper presents the geological investigation and geotechnical testing performed for the dam raise design. The dam site is located in crystalline bedrock of Mesozoic age including Jurassic metavolcanic rocks, and Jurassic-Cretaceous gneissic granodiorite. Key features at the dam site include the geologic contact between the two rock units underlying the dam within the main valley, a mafic dike on the right abutment, and a series of close spaced shears on the left abutment of the raised dam. A saddle dam is underlain by the granodiorite, and is near the geologic contact with the Tertiary Stadium Conglomerate. Hard metavolcanic cobbles comprising the conglomerate will be crushed to produce aggregates for roller compacted concrete to construct the raised and saddle dams.

Subsurface explorations for design included core borings through the existing dam and rock foundation, packer testing, down-hole geophysical surveys and seismic refraction profiles. Geologic mapping was performed to characterize rock discontinuities such as fractures, joints and shears. Piezometers were installed in borings and monitoring wells were constructed downstream of the dam. Laboratory tests were conducted to characterize rock mass properties. The field investigation provided the basis for determining the excavation limits for the raised dam to be founded on slightly weathered or fresh rock and for saddle dam to be on moderately to slightly weathered rock. The test results were also used to evaluate excavation stability and foundation preparation.

SPEAKER BIO

SPEAKER: DAVID SCHUG

David Schug has over 30 years' experience, including geologic explorations, geophysical surveys, groundwater investigations, and geologic hazards studies for pipelines, tunnels and dams. His experience includes fault hazard investigations using remote sensing, photogeology, trenching, age-dating and geophysics. He has been project geologist during construction of large diameter tunnels in hard rock and in soft ground. Dave was involved in geologic investigations for all phases of the San Diego County Water Authority's Emergency Storage Project, including San Vicente Dam Raise, San Vicente Tunnel, Lake Hodges Projects, and Olivenhain Dam. He is a graduate of SDSU with a BS and MS in Geology.

2011 SDAG MEETING SCHEDULE – Mark your Calendars!

Meetings are usually on the 3rd Wednesday of the month but may change to accommodate speaker and meeting place schedules. Check here for updates!

September 14, 2011	Tom Rockwell – EQ recurrence in So Cal versus other parts of the world
October 19, 2011	Gary Girty – Picacho Area-prelude to 2011 field trip
November 16, 2011	Kieth Meldahl – Rough-Hewn Land: A Geologic Journey from California to the Rocky Mountains

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Although I couldn't attend the meeting, I understand the presentation by Mark Legg at Bali Hai in July was excellent. I was out of town and I appreciate Todd and others who made the meeting go smoothly even with the typical last minute crises that always materialize. We've had excellent speakers this year and it's not over yet! Dave Schug will be speaking on August 17 about the San Vicente Dam Raise. Go to <http://www.sdcwa.org/san-vicente-dam-raise> to read about the project and come to the meeting! I believe this will be a very special presentation!

Also be sure to put the September meeting on your calendar. Dr. Tom Rockwell will be speaking about his studies around the world and implications for Southern California faulting and seismicity. That meeting is scheduled for Tom Ham's Lighthouse, so the venue and food will be excellent. Please note that the September meeting is scheduled a week earlier than usual, on the 14th of September rather than the 21st. This is due to several conflicts with other professional association meetings the week of the 21st.

I'd like to take a moment of your time and recognize Dr. Margaret Eggers, 2005 SDAG President, elected this past April to the Geological Society of America Fellowship. Society Fellowship is an honor bestowed upon the best of our profession for their distinguished contributions to the geosciences. Congratulations Margaret, we are proud to be associated with you!

Finally, the 2011 field trip preparations are reaching a feverish pitch. Thanks to all who have assisted Todd in the preparations. Keep November 4-6 free for this great trip! One unsung hero I'd like to mention is Charlie Lough. For the Borrego trip last year and now for the 2011 trip to the Picacho area, he has provided reference material that has been very useful to the trip planners. Thanks Charlie, we appreciate your work!

Chuck Houser



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2011 SDAG Field Trip: Picacho State Recreation Area and the Cargo Muchachos: The Latest!

Plans for this year's field trip and accompanying guidebook are progressing well. We'll be staying at the group sites (very cozy) at the Picacho State Recreation Area November 4 through 6, 2011. You may have heard that Sacramento has scheduled Picacho SRA for closure next summer. So far, it doesn't appear that this will affect us, so all systems are go.

Original articles are still being solicited for the guidebook. While Dr. Gary Girty and his students at SDSU will be making significant contributions to the field trip and guidebook for the area around Picacho, much of the geology in and around the Cargo Muchacho Mtns. hasn't been addressed since the 1980's, and a fresh look is warranted.

Volunteers are requested to conduct a little research- in Yuma. The Yuma branch of the Arizona Historical Society has a vast repository of archival photos, articles and books on mines and mining in the area. I need some old-time mine photos to dress-up guidebook papers. Also, the Imperial County Historical Society might be worth looking into as well.

Finally, I have discovered that this area of California possesses a wealth of not only geology, but a long and colorful history. I am doing my best to incorporate as much as possible to produce an informative, as well as enjoyable, volume. To accomplish this, I'm requesting the assistance of **sponsors** to help make this possible. The use of archival photos, historic newspaper articles, and reprints of technical papers all require a bit of spare change (ok, maybe a little more). The guidebook is developing into a real "gem" and a little help will polish it up nicely.

Please contact your VP Todd Wirths at 858-337-0098 or todd@wirths.com for any suggestions, comments, etc. More to come, thanks!



2011 SDSU 2011 SDSU Geology Department/Alumni Picnic Announcement

When: Saturday, Sept. 10, 2011, 11am-4pm

Where: Santee Lakes, Picnic Spot "O"

What: The Geology Department & AGS will provide burgers and hot dogs, our Alumni Group will provide beverages; please bring a dish to share

Parking: is \$5/car or there is ample free parking a short walk away at the intersection of Fanita Parkway and Lake Canyon Rd.

We are looking for someone to bring a volleyball net & ball or any other fun group games! Family & guests are most welcome! Please **RSVP at the Dept. website after Aug. 1.** (www.geology.sdsu.edu)



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