

Your New PEGC Officers



**President Elect
 Roy Flores**

The members have elected **Roy Flores** as PEGC Corporate President Elect for the next year. A Transportation Engineer with Caltrans in San Diego, Roy takes office in October and serves for twelve months, after which he will be PEGC President for the following year. The current President Elect, **Cathrina Barros**, a Senior Transportation Engineer with Caltrans in Sacramento, becomes President in October. **Steve Lee**, a Senior Transportation Engineer with

Caltrans in Sacramento and the current President, becomes Past President and Chair of PEGC's Political Action Committee.

The members also elected five other officers. **Matt Hanson** was reelected as Vice President Collective Bargaining and Chair of the Bargaining Team. **Alan Escarda** continues as Vice President Supervisory and Chairs PEGC's Meet and Confer Team.



**Incoming President
 Cathrina Barros**

There will be three new Corporate Officers -- **Sutida Bergquist** as Vice President at Large (representing employees in departments other than Caltrans); **Brian Simon** as Secretary; and **Margaret Shaeffer** as Treasurer.

Elections in PEGC's seventeen Sections are also being conducted and the new officers will be announced by the Sections. Thank you to all of the candidates willing to donate their time to serve the members.

Travel Reimbursement Rates



For Unit 9 employees and their Supervisors and Managers, the travel reimbursement rates have increased. For many years, the reimbursement for breakfast/lunch/dinner/incidentals was \$6/\$10/\$18/\$6 for a total of \$40. On July 1, they increased to \$8/\$12/\$20/\$6 for a total of \$46 per day. For tax withholding reasons, they were adjusted effective September 1 to \$7/\$11/\$23/\$5, still for a total of \$46, as reflected in the table on the back of this *Informer*.

Lodging reimbursement rates have also gone up. They previously ranged from \$84 to \$140, depending on the location. Effective July 1, they increased to \$90 to \$150. You can go to the PEGC website to find the reimbursement rate for lodging in the various counties.

Like travel expense reimbursement, the Unit 9 MOU provides for a number of benefits available to PEGC members, but in most cases you only receive them if you ask for them. For example, reimbursement for license application and renewal fees is provided, along with time off to take exams for engineering and related professions (MOU Section 3.3). You can also be reimbursed up to \$100 per fiscal year for dues in professional societies or organizations (Section 3.3).

Two days of professional leave are available each fiscal year (Section 5.15) in addition to one day of personal holiday (Section 9.1). Article 5 of the MOU also authorizes time off for bereavement leave, catastrophic leave, adoption and parental leave, mentoring leave, and service on a Precinct Election Board.

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TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT RATES

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Additional compensation is authorized for shift differential (Section 3.9), bilingual differential pay (Section 3.4), diving pay (Section 3.10), climbing pay (Section 3.15), and (in Article 3) additional compensation for certain classifications for recruitment and retention, transportation lead person differential, and other licenses and certificates. Compensation for out of class assignments (Section 7.1), public transit passes (Section 7.2), and safety footwear (Section 7.3) are also available, as well as uniform replacement (certain departments) and overtime meals (Sections 7.5 and 7.6).

These benefits and others -- training reimbursement, job placement during layoffs, long-term and out of state travel reimbursement, and more -- are contained in the 2011-2013 Unit 9 MOU, which can be found on the PEGC website (www.pecg.org) and is still in effect. However, you must apply for most of these rights and benefits in order to receive them.

Finally, some benefits are only available for PEGC members. For example, PEGC offers low cost group rate insurance benefits to members -- life, disability, auto, home owners, and renters. For more information, click on "PEGC-Sponsored Insurance" under the Benefits tab on the PEGC website. For life or disability insurance, you can also contact PEGC's Joselyn Clark at (415) 956-1344 or email her at insurance@pecg.org.

Business Travel Expense Reimbursement Rates for PEGC-Represented Employees*

Breakfast Lunch Dinner Incidentals Lodging**

Through June 30.....	\$6.....	\$10.....	\$18.....	\$6.....	\$84 - \$140
July and August	\$8.....	\$12.....	\$20.....	\$6.....	\$90 - \$150
Beginning September 1	\$7.....	\$11.....	\$23.....	\$5.....	\$90 - \$150

*Unit 9, Supervisors, and Managers

**Go to the PEGC website for lodging reimbursement rates at specific locations

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