

**2023-2024 Bay Area Section Election
Candidate Statement**

President Elect: Edward Thometz

Current Classification: Senior Bridge Engineer (S)
Department of Agency: California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)
Years of State Service: 15 years

PECG EXPERIENCE:

I have been a PECG dues-paying member ever since joining Caltrans in 2008. I have always been a volunteer PECG supporter at events and providing presentations for the Bay Area section, recruiting new members. In an officer capacity, I have served as the following: Bay Area Section VP, Supervisory (2022-2023) Bay Area Section VP, Rank & File (2017-2018)

CANDIDATE STATEMENT:

I have been a Senior Bridge Engineer supervisor for just over 2 years now, and have been serving as VP, Supervisory for the PECG Bay Area Section. My previous officer-held position with PECG had been Bay Area Section VP, Rank & File (2017-2018). Between FY19-22, I did not continue to pursue additional officer roles within PECG as I had been quite involved with leadership roles in other organizations such as ASCE (see below), and when I am in a position of leadership, I do so passionately. Since I have been “sunsetting” out of numerous leadership roles of ASCE, I have bandwidth to engage wholeheartedly with the PECG Bay Area Section officers, continuing to provide leadership and guidance for our membership. Past ASCE Leadership Roles: Chair, Region 9 California Infrastructure Symposium President, San Francisco Section Co-Chair, CA Infrastructure Report Card – Technical Committee, Bridges Co-Chair, 5th Orthotropic Bridge Conference Founder and Chair, SEI San Francisco Section