

Member Spotlight

Max Shoura

Current Place of Employment & Position:

Hill International, Projects Division
Vice President

Number of Years with the Company

Program Manager, 5 years
Director of Programs, 1 year (Vice President)
Office Manager, 4 year
Project Director (Int. Div Jeddah, KSA), 4 mo
Project Director (International Division, Oman), 3 mo
Deputy Program Director, SLC Airport, TRP Program, 2 years -- Current



Degree(s) Received/ University Degree Received

MS, Civil Engineering + 3 years of Ph.D work. University of Hawaii. 1995-2000
Certificate of Construction Engineering & Management. Univ of Hawaii, 1996
BS, Civil Engineering. Case Western Reserve University, Ohio. 1979-1982

Certifications Received

PSP from AACE, PE Civil in Nevada, Utah, Arizona, Hawaii; CCM from CMAA

• What type of pets do you have?

Only a cat, named Simba. He rules as the true Lion King. We think there is a mountain lion in his blood.

• What do you do when you aren't working?

Mountain hikes, working out, play soccer, started skiing since moving to Utah. When I rest, I read Wilbur Smith and Jack Du Brul.

• What word describes you best?

Motivated

• What is your greatest accomplishment?

My 28-year marriage, that is still in progress

• Who do you admire?

Edison, Marie Curie, and Mohamad Ali

• Who has influenced you most in your life?

A combination of many life stories I read in my teens of scientists, inventors, discoverers, and leaders like Edison, Marie Curie, Einstein, Columbus, Marco polo, Alexander, and Hannibal

• If you were on an island, who would you want to be with? Why?

Any winner from the TV show 'Survivor'. Those guys are truly good to have along for skills and entertainment.

There are currently open dates available for technical speakers for AACE Utah Section Meetings for the 2016 year. If you, or one of your colleagues, are interested in giving a presentation on a cost engineering related subject, please contact Lynn Larsen at Lynn@larsenanalytics.com

Upcoming Speaker

February 17th meeting:

Emily Federico, Associate Director for Navigant Consulting, Inc. will present on *Concurrent Delay – The Owner's Newest Defense*

Description: When owners impose liquidated damages at the end of a delayed project contractors typically respond with allegations of concurrent delay. That is, they argue, some or all of the project delay was actually caused either by the owner or an outside force which forgives liquidated damages. As owners generally do not impose liquidated damages until the end of the project, the contractor's claim of concurrent delay frequently is not submitted until the project is complete. This presentation explores the newest defense mechanism available to the owner to defeat the "concurrent delay defense".

Attendees will learn the following –

1. The definition of "concurrent delay"
2. The impact of concurrent delay on liquidated damages
3. The owner's newest defenses against claims of concurrent delay
4. The contractor's risk of filing delay claims at the end of the project.

Location: We will be meeting at the airport at the construction field offices for our meetings.

Treasurer Report

January Statement of Accounts

Balance: \$1,052.27

