

February 2015 President's Message - CSI Santa Clara Valley

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MEETING MUSINGS

Thank you to John Kalb of EV Charging Pros for his insightful presentation to us at our January Chapter meeting. John impressed upon us the need to think strategically about electrical vehicle charging in our projects. A little forethought and planning can make a world of difference in having the right infrastructure to support the 1.5 million zero-emission vehicles that will be on California's roads by 2025. The Silicon Valley is truly the heart of the electrical vehicle movement. If you are not seeing its impacts on your current projects, you will soon.

CSI CERTIFICATION

Due to a few issues with the database migration at Institute, the signups for CSI Certification exams have been delayed. However, the exams will be held as planned starting on March 30, 2015. CSI will set and publicize new early and final registration deadlines as soon as registration for the exams is open. CSI may also choose to extend the length of the exam window based on the opening of the registration date.

It's not too late to sign up for a study group and take advantage of this great opportunity for professional development. The Redwood Empire Chapter is hosting a CDT Preparation Course via webinar that is free to any CSI member. They meet every other week through mid-March. For more information, [see their flyer](#) or contact Michelangelo Arenales at 707.483.0536 or m.arenales@sbsarch.com. The Los Angeles Chapter is hosting Preparation Courses for the advanced certifications – CCS, CCCA, CCPR – via webinar for a fee. You can learn more on their [website](#).

Don't miss out on these opportunities to advance your career and learn more about the construction industry. The early registration deadline for the exams is January 31st.

SILICON VALLEY CONSTRUCTION EXPO 2015

The end of January will mark the end of the Early Bird pricing for the Silicon Valley Construction Expo at the Levi's Stadium, home of the 49ers. Please help us spread the word to potential Exhibitors, Sponsors, and Attendees. We want to make this a great event with over 70 Exhibitors and 200 Attendees from Bay Area. Learn more about this event on our [website](#). If you would like to volunteer to help make this event a reality, please get in contact with me at 408.368.9122 or rietta.csi@gmail.com.