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SUBJECT: Quarterly Report

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NOTES: Quarterly Report - Fall 2007

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The Inland Empire Section wishes to thank and congratulate the L.A Section for hosting a fantastic and successful annual meeting.

Keith Elliott
VP at Large

Inland Empire section report for this quarter highlights the following activities for the fall of 2007.

Lorena Salvador
Secretary

- **Section Meeting**

Ferdinand Delacruz
Treasurer



On November 1, 2007 Inland Empire had its quarterly section meeting with the presence of Mr. Bruce Blanning as the special guest speaker. Mr. Blanning talked extensively about “Outsourcing” in California government, and its growing problem. He pointed out the fact that PECEG is trying to educate the public on the real cost of outsourcing public work to private companies. The documentaries like the Bridge so far and MacArthur Maze that PECEG produced are examples of this massive public awareness campaign taking place. He mentioned that the latest documentary of the Macarthur Maze called “AMAZING” would be distributed to the all the sections in near future.

Questions and concerns regarding the state budget, range “E” and the salary survey, used for the pay priority raise, from our members were answered by Bruce.

Also in this meeting the dedication and hard work of the out going officers including the out going President, Joe Meraz, V.P. Rank & File, Ali Tadjalli, V.P. At large Najah Amin, V.P. Supervisory, Bill Wasser, and Treasurer, Clark Chou were recognized. The Incoming president, Elaheh Hadipour, introduced the new officers to the members. Section members were encouraged to become more active members. The Inland Empire Section also recognized Tim Sharp, Hormuzd Sethna, Dean To and Vincent Curran as PECG member of the year for their hard work toward the section and they were presented with certificates of appreciation.

- **Meeting with Will Kempton at the Chamber of Commerce gathering in Riverside County**

On November 8th 2007 Will Kempton, Director of Caltrans, was the keynote speaker at the meeting of the Riverside Chamber Of Commerce held at the Mission Inn. PECG was represented by your Inland Empire Section President, Elaheh Hadipour and Director, Aaron Brady. (from Left to Right: Aaron Brady, Elaheh Hadipour and Will Kempton)

Director Kempton spoke highly of the Departments accomplishments through out the state, such as the rapid rebuilding of the MacArthur Maze, the quick response time in opening the I-5 tunnel after the fire, and replacing a section of the San Francisco Bay Bridge. He praised the hard work of all Caltrans Employees several time through out his speech.



He noted that the Inland Empire's transportation system is vital to the economy of California and Sacramento is committed to improving mobility through the Inland Empire.

- **Golf Tournament Donation**

Inland Empire Section presented a donation of \$200 to the Caltrans Twilight League's Golf Tournament. Among Inland Empire Section's PECG members who participated, five were seniors. This event was used to highlight some of the PECG benefits in becoming a member, especially among supervisors.



- **Up Coming Events:**

1. The documentary video of MacArthur Maze, “AMAZING”, will be on the screened. In cooperation with District management and the Inland Empire section, all Caltrans employees and Section members are invited to view this “AMAZING” documentary on Nov 30, 2007, Dec 7, 2007 and on January 16, 2008 during our Section Meeting.
2. On February 7, 2008 the Inland Empire section will have a special luncheon for the section’s At Large Members.