



**Canadian Geotechnical Society**  
**Société canadienne de géotechnique**

**Section Report**

2015 Annual Report

July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015

**Section 1: General**

Name of CGS Section: Saskatoon Geotechnical Group

Date of report: August 5, 2015

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Section Director: Erik Ketilson

End of Term of Director: 2017

CGS website address: [https://www.cgs.ca/section\\_saskatoon.php](https://www.cgs.ca/section_saskatoon.php)

Last time your Section's CGS website was updated: April 2015, with workshops. Website lists "Saskatchewan" Events, which causes some confusion between what's being offered in Regina and Saskatoon.

**Section 2: Executive members and their employers or, if students, universities**

<i>President</i>	<i>Erik Ketilson, SRK Consulting (Canada) Ltd.</i>
<i>Past President</i>	<i>Tyrel Lloyd, Missinipi Water Solutions Inc.</i>
<i>Vice President</i>	<i>Chad Salewich, Cameco Corporation.</i>
<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>Adam Hammerlindl, University of Saskatchewan</i>
<i>CGS Section Director</i>	<i>Erik Ketilson, SRK Consulting (Canada) Ltd.</i>
<i>U of S Liaison</i>	<i>Grant Ferguson, University of Saskatchewan</i>
<i>Workshop Coordinator</i>	<i>Jon Osback, Clifton Associates Ltd.</i>
<i>Social Coordinator</i>	<i>Vanessa Pay, Golder Associates Ltd.</i>
<i>Communications</i>	<i>Kyle Cator, Golder Associates Ltd.</i>
<i>Room Bookings</i>	<i>David Wright &amp; Rahul Mukherjee; SNC Lavalin</i>
<i>U of S Student Liaison</i>	<i>Kyle Scale and Doyin Adesokan</i>

The SGG Executive met once during the activity period.

**Section 3: Number of members**

Executive members: 12

Total members (if possible, student and non-student members): ~ 50 paid members annually; ~ 20 student members

Total CGS members (if possible student and non-student members): We do not track CGS members.

**Section 4. Finances**

Balance (as of June 30, 2015): ~ \$ 19,458.27

Does your Section charge its members an annual fee? Yes

If so, how much? \$30

Is your Section aware that CGS financial assistance is available to Sections (Admin Manual App 4)? Yes (after answering this question for the semi-annual report, but we have not explored this option).

Is your Section aware of the CGS Lecture Supplement Program (Awards Manual Section C-4)? Yes (after answering this question for the semi-annual report, but we have not explored this option).

Did your Section sponsor a Student/MIT to attend the last CGS Annual Conference (Admin Manual App 12)? Yes

Is your Section planning to sponsor a Student/MIT to attend the next CGS Annual Conference? Likely – but the student has not yet been identified

Comments (point form)

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<b>Section 5. Activities</b>			
<b>Date</b>	<b>Speaker/Other</b>	<b>Topic/Subject</b>	<b>Attendance</b>
September 18, 2014	Start of Season Social	Evening Social	~15
October 23, 2014	Jody Scammell, Water Security Agency	The Evaluation of Gardiner Dam's Ongoing Movement	~30
November 26, 2014	Alvin Tong, SRK Consulting	Capillary Break Cover Design at Lorado Mill Tailings Site	~30
January 29, 2015	Phil Bruch – Golder Associates	Instability along the South Saskatchewan River in Saskatoon	~35
February 17, 2015	Peter Sydoruk – Almita Piling	Long Term Lateral Resistance of Helical Piles in Cohesive Soils	5
March 6 & 7 2015	<b>Workshop</b> – Dr. Jim Graham	Understanding the Behaviour of Clays: Deformation, Strength, and Critical States	21
April 2 & 3, 2015	<b>Workshop</b> – Soilvision – Dr. Murray Fredlund and Dr. Delwyn Fredlund	2D/3D Seepage and Slope Stability Analysis	5

## **Section 6. Additional information or comments**

### **Awards, Donations and Events**

- SGG Annual Scholarship – University of Saskatchewan: \$500.00
- Sponsorship of two students to Geo Regina: ~\$1000.00