

## Kleinschmidt Welcomes Paul Drew as Dam Safety Section Manager

Seasoned engineering professional with more than 17 years of industry experience

MADISON, WISCONSIN, UNITED STATES, June 10, 2024 /EINPresswire.com/ -- <u>Kleinschmidt</u> Associates, an engineering, regulatory, and environmental consulting firm, is pleased to announce the addition of Paul D. Drew, P.E., CFM as <u>Dam Safety</u> Section Manager.

Paul is a senior water resources engineer with more than 17 years of experience in hydrologic and hydraulic (H&H) modeling, water resource planning, design and construction, public engagement and project management. Paul has over a decade of experience in dam evaluation, design, construction, monitoring, and operation for numerous FERC-licensed hydroelectric projects, state-regulated dams, tailings basin and coal ash impoundments in more than 15 states.

Paul brings extensive experience with Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Engineering Guidelines and



Paul Drew, P.E.

risk-informed decision-making. Paul has served as the H&H Subject Matter Expert (SME) in FERC Potential Failure Mode Analyses (PFMAs), Screening Level Risk Assessments (SLRAs), Semi-Quantitative Risk Assessments (SQRAs) and has completed the USSD SQRA Training Course DLS-103 Leveraging PFMA to Perform SQRA in 2021.Notably, he served as the H&H SME for the Advanced Screening Level Risk Analysis of five FERC-regulated dams in 2019 and 2021, contributing to a pilot study for the new FERC regulations.

"Paul's expertise in dam safety and his experience with FERC guidelines will be a tremendous asset to our team", says Nick Ciomei, Engineering Technical Director at Kleinschmidt, "We are excited to welcome him and look forward to his contributions to our projects."

"I am thrilled to join Kleinschmidt and work with such a talented team of professionals", says <u>Paul Drew</u>, Dam Safety Section Manager at Kleinschmidt. "I look forward to contributing to the firm's commitment to dam safety and environmental stewardship."



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Paul holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. He is a licensed Professional Engineer in Wisconsin and a Certified Floodplain Manager. Paul is an active member of the Midwest Hydropower Users Group (MHUG), the National Hydropower Association (NHA) and the Association of State Dam Safety Officials (ASDSO).

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