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2017 CGS-SOS Annual Dinner

Geotechnical Consulting...It's Only Common Sense After You Make a Few Mistakes

Wednesday, May 17, 2017

Pearson Convention Centre, 2638 Steeles Ave. East, Brampton, ON

Evening Program:	5:30 PM	Cocktails and Socializing
	6:30 PM	Dinner
	7:30 PM	Lecture

Abstract: On the surface, consulting in the geotechnical field seems like a fairly simple way to make a living. You obtain your university degree, work for four years under the supervision of another geotechnical professional, get your provincial professional registration, and then work as a geotechnical consultant either with a consulting firm or by hanging out your own shingle.

Based on more than 40 years of geotechnical consulting experience, this presentation will provide an entertaining first-hand look at this profession. I will present some examples of mistakes that I have made along the way, provide you with some observations that I have made, and leave you with some suggestions. The presentation should be of interest to geotechnical professionals already in the consulting field, those who may be considering consulting as a career-move, and even non-consulting geotechnical professionals.



Speaker: Doug VanDine, VanDine Geological Engineering Limited, and Immediate Past President of the Canadian Geotechnical Society. Doug VanDine is both a Geological and Geotechnical Engineer. Over the past 45 years he has worked with the federal government, taught at Queen's University, worked for several consulting firms, and since 1985 has worked under the banner of VanDine Geological Engineering Limited, in Victoria, BC. At the end of 2016, Doug completed his two-year term as President of the Canadian Geotechnical Society.

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CGS Members:	\$80.00	
Non-Members – Early Bird:	\$80.00	
Non-Members:	\$90.00	
Student:	\$45	

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