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Robert Colles, PE Earns Professional Civil Engineering License

Robert Colles, PE, a Project Engineer at **R&M CONSULTANTS, INC.** (R&M), successfully passed the Principles & Practice of Engineering Exam, gaining his Alaska license in Civil Engineering.

"Robert is an optimistic engineer, leads by example and is an inspiration to everyone," said Carla Baxley, PE, R&M's Group Manager of Airport Engineering. "Now that he is a Professional Engineer, he will have even more responsibilities and opportunities to lead designs. This also means we can continue to expand R&M's Airport Group, while maintaining a solid design team."

Robert has been with R&M since 2014, originally joining the firm as an intern in R&M's Materials Laboratory. Now a member of R&M's Airport Engineering Group, he provides civil design and develops project specifications for airport improvement projects throughout Alaska. Robert's work has included design support for the Newtok Airport Relocation, Bethel Airport Main Runway Reconstruction, and Dillingham Runway Rehabilitation, as well as airport improvements in Ekwok, Nome, Kotzebue, Chefnak, New Stuyahok, Gustavus, Cold Bay and Togiak.

"I'm proud to have obtained my PE license," said Robert. "I look forward to taking a larger role in managing and leading designs to ensure the success and satisfaction of our clients, and serving as a mentor for junior staff."

Robert holds a B.S. in Civil Engineering from the University of Alaska Fairbanks. He enjoys trail runs, hiking, backpacking, fishing, and bear and moose hunting. In the winter Robert spends his time cross country skiing or at Alyeska snowboarding.

Founded in Alaska in 1969, R&M offers civil, structural, geotechnical and waterfront engineering; surveying and mapping; GIS services; geology; hydrology; environmental services; transportation and land use planning; public involvement; right of way and lands consulting services; construction administration; materials testing; and special inspection. R&M has offices in Anchorage and Fairbanks.

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