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Dr. Shrestha joins the BSK  
Construction Materials  
Engineering Group



Dr. Raghubar  
Shrestha, Ph.D., P.E.

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BSK Associates (BSK) has hired Dr. Raghubar Shrestha, Ph.D., P.E. to expand the pavement and materials engineering expertise in the Central Valley. Dr. Shrestha is a registered professional engineer in California and will provide geotechnical and materials engineering for transportation and pavement related projects.

Dr. Shrestha has more than 18 years of civil and geotechnical engineering experience. He has conducted research on the interaction among different types of recycled asphalt pavements (RAPs), binders, and laboratory performances; and has analyzed and designed pavements thickness, conducted soil tests, asphalt binder tests, asphalt mix designs, and pavement management surveys. Dr. Shrestha has coauthored and presented papers on pavement evaluation and designs to the Annual Congress of the Geo-Institute of ASCE, and the Washoe Regional Transportation Commission.

BSK Fresno Branch Manager, Walt Plachta said, “Dr. Shrestha (Raghu) is a tremendous asset for us and our clients. His presence expands our technical capabilities and provides another “green” perspective with his recycled asphalt pavement knowledge. His addition demonstrates our goal of continuing professional excellence and sets BSK apart from others in our industry.”

**About BSK:**

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