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Citizenship

United States of America

Education

MS Finance, University of Wyoming, Laramie, Wyoming, USA, August 2023

All coursework for a Master of Water Resources, (Hydroscience concentration), University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico, USA, 2006

BS Geology, University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, Texas, USA, 2003

Certifications

MSHA 5000-23 Surface Metal, Non-Metal

Graduate Certificate in Energy Management, University of Wyoming, Laramie Wyoming, USA, August 2023

Applications

GoldSim

AQTESOLV

Leapfrog Geo

QGIS

Vulcan

MineSight3D

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Languages

English-Native Spanish-Intermediate

Career Profile

Mr. Davis is a mining and metals professional with a background in geology and finance; he has over 19 years of experience in the mining industry. He has been involved with projects in all phases of the mining-project cycle (i.e., exploration, study, development, operations, closure, and reclamation), spanning multiple commodities (gold, copper, lead, zinc, nickel, and lithium). His skill set draws from experience in subsurface characterization, project management, HSE planning/implementation, drilling planning/oversight, CAPEX/OPEX planning, business improvement, financial modeling (DCF), national staff training, geophysics, and mining hydrogeology.

Employment History

Davis Mine Hydro Services

Independent Field Hydrogeologist (April 2013-present)

Owned and operated a hydrogeological field services company with a focus on the mining sector.

Lake Resources—Kachi Lithium Project, Catamarca, Argentina Wellfield Hydrogeology Lead (May 2023 to May 2024)

Manager of the hydrogeology team on site and responsible for: capacity/institutional development; fieldwork required for the DFS and EIA studies; business improvement planning; and the preliminary investigation for the Cerro Blanco geothermal resource.

MMG-LXML Sepon Copper and Gold Mine – Lao PDR

Senior Hydrogeologist (July 2011 to April 2013)

Created and managed: hydrogeological field programs; CAPEX/OPEX budgets; SHEC management plans; procurement of capital project equipment (e.g., centrifugal and submersible pumps); and water management plans. Trained, managed and developed Lao national staff (a team of over 40). Implemented business improvement projects for horizontal drilling, site wide lime dosing and hydro-data management.

Ausenco Vector SAC – Lima, Peru

Project Hydrogeologist (2010 to 2011)

Designed and managed field programs; contributed to hydrogeological interpretations, EIS, and mine feasibility studies; and mentored and trained junior staff.

Golder Associates Pty Ltd – Brisbane, Australia

Hydrogeologist (2008 to 2010)

Contributed to hydrogeological interpretation studies; managed field programs; developed conceptual groundwater models; analyzed pumping tests and aquifer hydraulic tests; mentored junior staff; planning and implementation of groundwater monitoring programs; and generated mine water management plans.

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PROJECT EXPERIENCE – MINING HYDROGEOLOGY

Sunshine Vegetables, Puga Valley Geothermal Assessment, Ladakh, India Provided technical advice on the development of the Puga Valley geothermal resource to India's largest carrot producer. Met with union territory officials (with the client) to discuss geothermal development in Ladakh.

AngloGold Ashanti (subcontractor for Itasca), Silicon and Merlin Gold Projects, Nye County, Nevada

Elko Mining Group (subcontractor for FloSolutions), Spring Valley Gold Project, Pershing County, Nevada

Homestake Mining Company (subcontractor for Tierra Group International), McLaughlin Closure Project, Napa County, California

Barrick Gold (subcontractor for Itasca), Goldrush Project, Eureka County, Nevada

Newmont Mining (subcontractor for SRK), Long Canyon Hydrogeological Study, Elko County, Nevada

Freeport-McMoRan Inc & BHP (subcontractor for DHI), TJ Pit Water Management Assessment, Miami, Arizona Performed hydraulic testing (Lugeon and constant-rate injection tests) on select core holes using IPI SWiPs packer system. Installed VWPs on BQ-sized tremie pipe in deep HQ-sized core holes (up to 2,200 feet). Oversight of the drilling and construction of four-inch monitoring wells. Conducted baseline groundwater sampling. Generated CAPEX plans for future hydrogeology programs.

Designed a test production well and supervised the drilling and construction of the well.

Installed and set up groundwater monitoring network and telemetry system (Geokon GeoNet system). Maintained groundwater monitoring network and installed downhole instrumentation (i.e., transducers) in monitoring wells. Carried out quarterly compliance monitoring. Produced memorandum for proposed geothermal project to manage water-balance surplus.

Installed deep vibrating-wire-piezometers (VWPs), up to 4,000 feet, utilizing fiberglass-rod system in exploration core holes. Supervised the installation of piezometers in HQ-sized core holes. Conducted hydraulic testing (IPI STX-60 system). Conducted infiltrometer testing for proposed RIB sites. Supervised the drilling and construction of production and monitoring wells. Conducted long-term constant rate pumping tests. Performed quarterly groundwater monitoring (i.e. water-level data and groundwater sampling with Bennett pumps) for the site.

Performed hydraulic testing (Lugeon and constant rate injection tests) on select core holes using IPI SWiPs packer system. Installed VWPs on BQ-sized tremie pipe in deep HQ-sized core holes (up to 2,500 feet). Conducted routine groundwater sampling with QED Micro-Purge, low-flow sampling pumps.

Planned and generated scope-of-work for Supplemental Characterization Plan (SCP), a 2.7-million-dollar field program, entailing the drilling, construction, and hydraulic testing of 17 piezometers and one test well. Supervised dual-rotary drilling, and piezometer and test well construction. Conducted hydraulic testing (air-lift yield testing during drilling). Installed external casing VWPs and In-Situ, salinity compensating pressure transducers.

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Teck Resources (subcontractor for SRK-Vancouver), Red Dog Exploration Aktigiruq-Anarraaq Drilling Program, Northwest Arctic Borough, Alaska

ASARCO

(subcontractor for Neirbo Hydrogeology), Mission Mine, Pima County, Arizona

Minera Sonora Borax, (subcontractor for DHI), Sonora Lithium Project, Sonora, Mexico

Nordgold (subcontractor for SRK), Montagne d'Or Feasibility Study, French Guiana

Tyler Resources (subcontractor for Ausenco), Bahuerachi Copper Project-Hydrogeological Investigation, Chihuahua, Mexico

Newmont Mining (subcontractor for Neirbo Hydrogeology), Dawn Mill Site Remediation, Buckhorn, Washington

Minera Andes Inc, Hydrogeological Study for Los Azules Copper Project, San Juan District, Argentina Performed hydraulic testing (constant-rate and constant-head injection tests) on select HQ-sized core holes (up to 3,450 feet) using IPI SWiPs packer system. Installed fiber optic DTS cables in completed boreholes for permafrost monitoring.

Supervised horizontal drilling (1,000 feet) for pit depressurization project. Assisted with planning of horizontal drill holes (HDHs) and generated field forms for data collection.

Conducted detailed review on hydraulic testing data (packer testing) provided by field staff. Analyzed 41 air-lift recovery tests with AQTESOLV. Generated reporting deliverable on validation of hydraulic conductivity values produced from packer testing.

Performed hydraulic testing (Lugeon injection testing) on select HQ-sized exploration core holes using IPI SWiPs packer system. Installed multiple monitoring wells and stand-pipe piezometers across project site.

Reviewed packer testing field data for quality assurance. Generated air-lifting SOP for field staff. Contributed to feasibility study deliverable.

Conducted hydraulic testing (i.e., slug-testing), collected groundwater samples and developed 19 monitoring wells located on uranium remediation site.

Managed field program and team. Program consisted of: installation and completion 10 monitoring wells and six vibrating-wire-piezometers (up to 1,200 feet in diamond core holes); stream-gauging; pneumatic slug tests; air-lift tests; and groundwater sampling.

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Zamin Minerals, Hydrogeological Baseline Study for Valentines Iron Ore Project, Valentines, Florida District, Uruguay	Supervised the installation and completion of 36 regional monitoring wells, and two test production wells.
Bear Creek Mining, Groundwater Supply Study for Santa Ana Silver Project, Huaculani Puno District, Peru	Managed field program and team. Program consisted of: installation and completion of two test production wells and two monitoring wells; and two, 72-hour constant rate pumping tests. Gained experience with dual-rotary drilling methods and working at high altitude (16,000 feet).
BHP, Cerro Matoso Hydrogeolocial Study for Heap Leach Expansion, Cerro Matoso, Cordoba, Colombia	Managed field program and team. Program consisted of: installation and completion of two test production wells, 12 monitoring wells; two, 72-hour constant-rate pumping tests; 12 falling-head tests; and groundwater sampling.
Reed Property Group, Basement Dewatering Modeling, Maroochydore Queensland, Australia	Developed conceptual hydrogeological model and SEEP-W model (2D finite element groundwater modeling package) for the design of a semi-tanked basement for a proposed multi-use development. Wrote reporting deliverable.
Cougar Energy, Aquifer Hydraulic Testing, Kingaroy Queensland, Australia	Provided oversight and direction to pumping test contractor for step-test and constant rate pumping test. Taught junior staff pumping test theory and protocols. Analyzed data with AQTESOLV and produced report.
Satori Resorts Pty Ltd, Groundwater Exploration Program, Ella Bay Queensland, Australia	Conducted remote sensing analysis for groundwater exploration drilling program. Managed field program, comprised of groundwater exploration drilling, production and monitoring bore installations, and pumping tests. Analyzed pumping test data using AQTESOLV. Provided numerical modeling support. Compiled and wrote reporting deliverable.
BMA, Downhole Hydraulic Testing of Coal Seams, Lotus Pit Norwich Park, Australia	Conducted falling head and injection tests using wireline pneumatic packers to determine hydraulic properties of coal seams. Analyzed data using Hvorslev solution for future modeling efforts. Provided preliminary cost estimates for dewatering infrastructure.
LXML, Hydrogeological Investigations Thengkham Copper Expansion Project, Sepon Savannakhet, Lao PDR	Installed multiple standpipe piezometers and vibrating wire piezometers. Conducted slug testing on standpipe piezometers. Analyzed slug test data using AQTESOLV. Installed data loggers for vibrating wire piezometers.

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Solway Water Services Pty Ltd, Groundwater Resources Evaluation, Carbrook Queensland, Australia

> Hydration Solutions LLC, Aquifer Test Analysis Texas/Van Zandt County, USA

AFCEE, Aquifer Test Analysis, Edwards AFB California, USA

AFCEE, Hydrogeological Investigation for Site 15 ABRES-B Launch Complex California, USA

ConocoPhillips, Aquifer Test, Golden Eagle (Avon) Refinery, Martinez California, USA

AFCEE, Aquifer Test, Site 15 ABRES-B Launch Complex, Vandenberg AFB California, USA Planned and implemented 72-hour constant-rate pumping test. Trained junior staff on pumping test theory and protocols. Analyzed pumping test data using AQTESOLV. Developed groundwater management strategy for operation of production bores.

Analyzed pumping test data using AQTESOLV for water supply study. Produced report for two constant rate pump tests to support client's decision on real estate transaction.

Analyzed pumping test data using AQTESOLV for a petroleum hydrocarbon LUST site. Conducted six analyses using both Cooper-Jacob and Theis solutions. Produced report to aid in future site remediation planning and design.

Project geologist for comprehensive DPT program. Advanced 60 boreholes by direct push technology and sampled groundwater to delineate vertical and horizontal extent of chlorinated solvent contamination.

Performed step-drawdown test and 24-hour constant rate pumping test to determine local aquifer characteristics. Analyzed pump test data using AQTESOLV and produced report.

Planned and implemented 24-hour constant rate pumping test. Design of test included a 3,200-foot pipeline (with pumps in series) for production water disposal. Problematic site due to limited access and ecological constraints. Analyzed pumping test data using AQTESOLV and produced report.

PROJECT EXPERIENCE – MINE WATER MANAGEMENT & RECLAMATION

Kinross Gold (subcontractor for Ausenco), Tasaist Gold Mine-Water Balance Modeling, Mauritania

> Terramin, Oued Amizour Zinc Project Water Management Plan, Tala Hamza, Algeria

Reviewed existing water management plans for site and generated waterbalance schematic for planned process plant expansion.

Created water balance and wrote water management plan for proposed zinc mine utilizing GoldSim. Plan included water treatment options, dewatering system design, erosion and sediment control measures, storm water management, water supply options, socio-economic impacts, and water management of tailings storage facility.

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Phelps Dodge, Borrow Source Characterization, Tyrone Mine, Tyrone New Mexico/Grant County, USA

Phelps Dodge, Infiltration Collection System Construction, Tyrone Mine, Tyrone New Mexico/Grant County, USA

Phelps Dodge, Tailing Pond Monitoring, Tyrone Mine, Tyrone New Mexico/Grant County, USA

Phelps Dodge, Abandoned Mine Survey, Cobre Mine, Silver City New Mexico/Grant County, USA Provided oversight for borrow source soil excavation for stockpile cover. Surveyed over 300 locations in active, borrow source pit with Trimble GPS equipment. Conducted soil pH testing to dynamically monitor active borrow pit.

Coordinated with subcontractor foreman and provided construction oversight for design specifications of infiltration collection systems.

Calibrated, installed, and programmed Campbell Scientific sensors and data loggers for vadose zone monitoring of various mine tailing ponds. Developed VISUAL BASIC macros for data base management. Set up telemetry system for real-time, remote communication of data-loggers.

Provided field work consisting of surveying abandoned mine locations using GPS. Surveyed 45 locations and developed base map for future mine closure activities.

PROJECT EXPERIENCE – GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING

SEQWATER, Hydrogeological Investigation of Proposed Wyaralong Dam Site, Beaudesert, Queensland, Australia Installed test production bore for 72-hour pumping test. Planned and implemented 72-hour pumping test. Analyzed pumping test results utilising AQTESOLV. Installed 4 vibrating wire piezometers for future geotechnical monitoring.

Marathon Oil, Geotechnical Investigation for LNG Construction Bioko Island, Equatorial Guinea Advanced 30 deep boreholes by hollow stem auger. Installed two inclinometers, and three piezometers. Produced detailed borehole logs for geotechnical analyses. Collected rock core and soil samples for geotechnical lab analyses.

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PROJECT EXPERIENCE – GEOPHYSICS

AFCEE, Geophysical Investigation for Site 15 ABRES-B Launch Complex, Vandenberg AFB California, USA Proposed, planned and implemented Electrical Conductivity (EC) probe investigation. Advanced 16 boreholes to a depth of 90-feet by direct push technology in combination with an EC probe. Created conceptual model with EC logs for site characterization.

PROJECT EXPERIENCE – ENVIRONMENTAL INVESTIGATIONS

Tesoro, Subsurface Investigation, Waste Management Unit 5, Golden Eagle (Avon) Refinery, Martinez California, USA

AFCEE, Field Modification Report for Site 1, Vandenberg AFB California, USA

> Tesoro, Subsurface Investigation, Waste Management Unit 8, Golden Eagle (Avon) Refinery, Martinez California, USA

San Jose Redevelopment Agency, Subsurface Investigation, Main Yard Terminal, San Jose California/Santa Clara County, USA

Moore and Van Allen PLLC, Phase II Environmental Site Assessment, American Building Company Site, Carson City Nevada/Carson County, USA

Tesoro, Subsurface Investigation, AMORCO Wharf Basin, Martinez California, USA Conducted subsurface investigation to determine lateral extent of historic landfill. Advanced 17 boreholes by direct push technology (DPT) to a total depth of 136feet. Conclusions from investigation used for future closure activities.

Wrote and prepared work plan for an additional subsurface investigation at Site 1, a former LUST site. Presented an unconventional investigative method which incorporated "air knife" and direct push technologies to determine if buried utilities created preferential pathways for contamination. Created THA (task hazard analysis) for investigative method.

Performed a subsurface investigation to characterize waste in a historic landfill. Investigation was comprised of advancing 13 boreholes utilizing direct push technology (DPT) and soil sampling at selected intervals. Generated report to aid in future site closure activities.

Task manager and project geologist for supplemental subsurface investigation at the Main Yard Terminal, a former LUST site. Scheduled and planned logistics with subcontractors for investigation. Advanced 13 boreholes using direct push technology. Sampled soil and groundwater at selected intervals for comparison to historical data.

Advanced nine borings to the first encounter of groundwater and conducted Phase II subsurface soil and groundwater investigation of recognized environmental conditions determined from previous Phase I assessment at the ABC manufacturing building.

Conducted subsurface investigation to further define vertical and horizontal extent of groundwater contaminated with MTBE. Constructed and developed groundwater wells for future aquifer testing. Advanced boreholes by sonic drilling techniques to a total depth of 65-feet.

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Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority, Subsurface Investigation, Newhall Yard, San Jose California/Santa Clara County, USA Advanced 35 boreholes and collected soil samples from a former railroad yard for metals analysis. Produced figures using ArcGIS to represent contamination zones.

PROJECT EXPERIENCE – ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING

San Jose Redevelopment Agency, Groundwater Monitoring, Main Yard Terminal California/Santa Clara County, USA

ConocoPhillips, Groundwater Monitoring, AMORCO Wharf Basin, Martinez California, USA

AFCEE, Groundwater Monitoring in Operable Units 5, 7, 8, and 10, Edwards AFB, California California, USA

Tesoro, Quarterly Groundwater Monitoring Reporting, Navy Drive Bulk Terminal, Stockton California, USA Conducted quarterly groundwater sampling at the Main Yard Terminal. This site is a documented fuel leak site with known soil and groundwater contamination. Generated quarterly monitoring report and prepared documents for IDW (investigation derived waste) management.

Conducted a groundwater sampling event at a refinery bulk storage facility. Collected groundwater samples from 10, previously installed groundwater monitoring wells and produced a report

Conducted a groundwater sampling event utilizing low-flow sampling techniques and nitrogen gas operated bladder pumps. Collected groundwater samples from 30 previously installed groundwater monitoring wells and produced report.

Prepared documents and coordinated groundwater sampling event for a quarterly environmental surveillance report. Prepared groundwater contour figures for CAD reproduction

PROJECT EXPERIENCE – WATER AND SANITATION (PRO BONO)

Engineers Without Borders, Arombe Water Project, Arombe Kwe Migori District, Kenya

Living Water International, Kambaa Community Water Project, Kambaa, Kenya for community wells.

Provided technical review on background reports and advice on design criteria

Provided technical review on geophysical reports for groundwater exploration study.

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TRAINING

Capital Markets for Geoscientists and Engineers AME Roundup short course, Vancouver, Canada, 1/19/2024 (16-hours) NI 43-101 Disclosure Standards AME Roundup short course, Vancouver, Canada, 1/21/2024 (16-hours) WATSAN Engineering: From Emergency Towards Development ICRC Short Course, Neuchatel, Switzerland, 6/24/2017 (72-hours) Johnson Screens Groundwater & Wells Design Class Short Course, Golden, Colorado, 3/14/2017 (24-hours) **Baroid Drilling Fluid Workshop for Water Wells** Short Course, Houston, Texas, 1/15/2017 (40-hours) Remote Sensing Applications for Mine Tailings & Waste Rock Water AHS Short Course, Tucson, Arizona, 9/13/2016 (eight-hours) Dewatering and Production Well Design Workshop IMWA Short Course, Golden, Colorado, 8/5/2013 (eight-hours) Introduction to Deswik for Mine Planning Short Course, Sepon, Lao PDR, 11/12/2012 (40-hours) Introduction to Vulcan for Mine Planners Short Course, Sepon, Lao PDR, 11/5/2012 (40-hours) Introduction to MineSight for Geology Short Course, Sepon, Lao PDR, 7/16/2012 (40-hours) Pumping Systems for Mine Water Management Short Course, Sepon, Lao PDR, 6/11/2012 (40-hours) GoldSim Water Balance Modeling Workshop Short Course, Brisbane, Australia, 6/11/2011 (40-hours) Applied Hydrogeology Field Course University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, Arkansas, 5/8/2006 (six-weeks) Applications of Drilling Technology for Developing Communities Short Course, San Luis Valley, Colorado, 9/7/2005 (40-hours)