

# Meet Our Experts

CRSI Members have priority access to these technical experts whenever a situation arises!



**Anthony Felder, PE, Technical Director**

Tony has been with CRSI since May of 1984. Before joining CRSI, Tony worked for Inryco for seven years, serving as a Detailer in their structural steel division and Engineer in their post-tensioning, reinforcing systems, and nuclear containment divisions. Since joining CRSI, Tony has been the editor of the Manual of Standard Practice, Placing Reinforcing Bars, Design Handbook and Reinforcing Bars: Anchorages and Splices, as well as numerous other Institute publications.

Tony currently serves as the Secretary of ACI/CRSI Committee 315, Details of Concrete Reinforcement, as well as a Member of several other ACI Committees, including Committee 439 on Steel Reinforcement and Committee 408 on Bond. ACI/CRSI Committee 315 is responsible for maintaining the ACI Detailing Manual. For the last several years, Tony has also served as Secretary of ASTM Subcommittee A01.05, Steel Reinforcement. Sub A01.05 is responsible for maintaining A615, A706, A775, and all the other ASTM material specifications for steel reinforcement.



**Tony Johnson, PE, Midwest Region Manager**

Anthony (Tony) Johnson PE, has been a member of the Concrete Reinforcing Steel Institute's Regional Manager team since October 2007. He is responsible for providing technical assistance, outreach and education to engineers, architects, owners, contractors, as well as student groups, across the CRSI Midwest Region. Tony also leads CRSI's efforts for forecasting the reinforcing steel market on a national, regional and state level as well as reporting on the market share of reinforced concrete across various vertical construction markets.

Prior to joining CRSI, Tony was employed by the Edw. C. Levy Co. where he served in several technical services and product management positions for more than 10 years. Tony is actively involved with many concrete and construction industry associations, both throughout the Midwest and on a national level. He is a member of the American Concrete Institute (ACI), and is Past President and current Treasurer of the ACI Greater Michigan Chapter, he was awarded the prestigious ACI Chapter Activities Award in April 2013. He also serves on ASTM International's committee A01.05 on Steel Reinforcement and is an Ex-Officio Member of the Tilt-Up Concrete Association's Board of Directors.



**David A. Fanella, PhD, PE, SE, FACI, FASCE, Senior Director of Engineering**

After a long and mutually-respected work relationship, CRSI is proud to have Dave join the CRSI staff on a permanent basis. Dave's proficiency and expertise in reinforced concrete design is well regarded in the design community. His role at CRSI is to facilitate the development and output of technical information produced by the Institute as well directing and providing assistance to our technical department and member committees.

Dave has authored numerous publications on reinforced concrete design, including his latest titled Reinforced Concrete Structures - Analysis and Design, Second Edition, which is based on the provisions of ACI 318-14. He was the recipient of the Alfred E. Lindau Award from the American Concrete Institute in 2014. Prior to joining CRSI, Dave was Principal at a consulting structural engineering firm in Chicago, IL. He is a member of a number of ACI Committees and serves as an Associate Member on the ASCE 7 Committee. He is also past president of the Structural Engineers Association of Illinois.



**Jose Mendoza, PE, M.ASCE, Pacific Southwest Manager**

Jose comes to CRSI with more than 16 years of experience with Hilti and is a registered Professional Engineer in California, Nevada, and Arizona. He is very familiar with the architect, engineer and construction communities in the states he is registered in and also very familiar with CALTRANS and the other inspection agencies in California.

Jose is a PhD candidate in Technology Management from Technological University of the Philippines, a Master of Public Administration from California State University- East Bay, a Master of Engineering from Polytechnic University of the Philippines and a BS Civil Engineering from Technological Institute of the Philippines. Jose is also a member of the Structural Engineers Association of Central California (SEA OCC), the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE), Construction Specifications Institute (CSI) and the International Code Council (ICC).

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### Brett Lord, Southeast Region Manager

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Brett brings extensive knowledge of concrete and the concrete construction industries. In his role as Southeast Region Manager, Brett promotes the use of steel reinforced concrete construction in the Southeast and serve as an industry resource on both regional and national levels.

Prior to joining CRSI, he was the Director of Technical Services-Project Management/Estimating at McCarthy Improvement Company. In addition to the cement industry, he has worked in the autoclaved aerated concrete and lightweight aggregate industries. In the 1980s Brett served in the United States Army as a Sergeant (E-5) Infantryman. Brett is a graduate of the University of Arizona with a Bachelor of Science degree in Environmental Sciences.



### Greg Halsted, PE, Western Region Manager

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Greg joined CRSI in 2012. Greg is responsible for promoting the use of reinforced concrete construction in the building, bridges, and paving markets to achieve an increase in the market share for reinforcing steel usage through engineering, marketing, and educational activities throughout the CRSI Pacific Northwest and Western Canada Chapters. Greg is currently the Project Manager for the CRSI-FHWA Cooperative Agreement on continuously reinforced concrete pavements (CRCP). In 2000, he received the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT)

Commissioner's Achievement Award for developing an alternative roadway base for the Sapelo Island Lighthouse Restoration Project, and in 2006 received the Portland Cement Association (PCA) Extraordinary Contribution Award for his assistance in industry promotion and marketing. He received his Bachelor of Science degree from Southern Polytechnic State University in Marietta, Georgia and is a registered Professional Engineer. Before joining CRSI, Greg worked ten years as a Market Manager for PCA, responsible for the design and construction technical services assistance, marketing, and promotion of all cement-based pavement materials.



### Rob Kinchler, PE, Greater Southwestern Region Manager

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Rob Kinchler joined CRSI in early 2016 and promotes the benefits of reinforced concrete construction to the marketplace. Rob is a structural engineer with years of experience designing industrial and commercial projects. He is available to deliver educational presentations on reinforced concrete systems, technologies, and industry related topics. Rob's background includes developing conceptual budgets and utilizing subcontractor relationships to more accurately

determine up front project costs. He is a graduate of Auburn University and received his M.S. in structural engineering in 1991. Prior to working with CRSI, Rob worked with AISC as a regional engineer. He was responsible for putting together conceptual budgets for projects using steel, developing design fabricate build teams, giving technical presentations, and promoting the use of steel. Before that he worked with Raytheon Engineers and Constructors and Burns & McDonnell EAC designing concrete and steel structures for power plants, paper mills, and other industrial facilities.



### Mike Mota, PhD, PE, FACI, FASCE, Vice President of Engineering/Northeast Region Manager

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Dr. Mota is the Vice President of Engineering and for the Concrete Reinforcing Steel Institute (CRSI). Mike is responsible for the Engineering Department and oversees the development of all technical publications and standards. Mike is an active member of several ACI and ASCE committees; Chair of ACI Committee 314 on

Simplified Design of Concrete Buildings, serves on the Board of Directors of the Concrete Industry Board of New York City/NYC ACI Chapter and is a past member of the editorial board of STRUCTURE magazine. Mike was elected a Fellow of ASCE in 2012, ACI in 2013 and SEI in 2015. Prior to joining CRSI, Mike worked for the Portland Cement Association in a similar capacity since 2001.



### Amy Trygestad, PE, FACI, Director of Codes and Standards

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Amy joined CRSI in 2016. Amy's responsibilities as Director of Codes and Standards include identifying opportunities, developing strategies, and creating code change proposals and revisions to current standards. She will also assist in developing new CRSI standards documents to advance building requirements that are favorable to the steel reinforced concrete industry.

Amy was the president and principal engineer of Chase Engineering as well as a consulting principal engineer with CTLGroup before joining the Institute. She participated in the Portland Cement Association Program dealing with Buildings and Special Structures for the Central US. Amy served as the concrete industry representative on the Editorial Board for STRUCTURE, the official magazine of the three national structural engineering organizations in the United States—NCSEA, CASE (ACEC), and SEI (ASCE). Amy graduated with a Masters Degree in Structural Engineering from the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities.