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AJ Behm Joins R&M's Surface Transportation Group

AJ Behm recently joined **R&M CONSULTANTS, INC.** (R&M) as a Staff Engineer in the firm's Surface Transportation Group. AJ will assist with planning and design of civil engineering projects, with an emphasis in roadways, pedestrian facilities and utility relocations.

"It's great when you find a local engineering graduate who grew up in Alaska like AJ," said R&M's Group Manager of Surface Transportation, Tim Grier, PE. "Not only is he the grandson of one of R&M's founding Principals, Jim Rooney, he has tons of common sense, experience on team sports and a love for Alaska backcountry recreation. AJ has the experience, background, and personality that fits our firm's culture and will help him be successful."

AJ brings a background in construction to his work at R&M. During college breaks, he interned for Knik Construction and the Alaska Department of Natural Resources (DNR). At Knik, AJ provided office engineering and managed storm water pollution prevention plans for heavy construction projects. While working with DNR, he inspected various state park construction sites and assisted with project engineering. This experience has given AJ familiarity with reading and interpreting construction documents and plans. He understands the construction process, giving him insight into how engineering designs are applied and brought to fruition.



Since joining R&M, AJ has provided engineering support for the Nanwalek/Port Graham Airport Relocation, Skagway State Street Rehabilitation and Airport Way West Improvements in Fairbanks. His work has included creating alignment alternatives, quantities estimates and plan sheets.

"R&M is a firm that has its roots in Alaska. We work on Alaskan projects that truly help this state, which is very important to me," said AJ. "There's a very close-knit group of fantastic individuals here that have welcomed me to the team. Everyone has really worked with me to develop my skills and push me to keep building on those skills."

AJ has a B.S. in Civil Engineering from the University of Alaska Fairbanks. He believes in giving back to the community and regularly volunteers with Bean's Café and The Children's Lunch Box. He is also a biannual blood donor with the Blood Bank of Alaska. Outside of work, AJ is an avid outdoors enthusiast and enjoys any activity where he gets to spend time outside. When not enjoying the Alaskan outdoors, he travels the world and learns about other cultures.

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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