

## ***A Bright Future Together in San Diego: Hope-Amundson is now Coffman Engineers***

- Hope-Amundson finalized a merger with Coffman Engineers on October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Hope-Amundson's two office locations and 33 employees will be part of Coffman from that date. Specific terms of the deal are not being disclosed.
- Previously announced on August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017, Hope-Amundson signed a letter of intent to merge with Coffman Engineers.
- The two firms have had ongoing communication about the possibility of a merger since the beginning of the year. After due diligence by both firms and meetings to discuss the opportunity, Hope-Amundson decided to merge with Coffman.
- Hope-Amundson will maintain their current office spaces for at least a year due to lease agreements for both firms. After that time, the San Diego staff will come together in a single location.
- Hope-Amundson's Orange County office and staff of four is an important new addition to Coffman, continuing to offer structural engineering services and eventually multidiscipline services. The office will continue to be managed by Christopher Haight from Hope-Amundson.
- Hope-Amundson will continue to support their clients and contractual commitments with the same staff and level of quality clients have come to expect.
- Scott Twele will continue to be the General Manager of the San Diego office and Coffman is honored to welcome Chuck Hope and Jim Amundson from Hope-Amundson as new principals to support the office.

### ***Deal Milestones***

- August 31, 2017 Letter of Intent
- October 27, 2017 Final signing and Hope-Amundson employees become Coffman employees
- 2019 (tentative) Staff comes together in one San Diego location.

### ***About Hope-Amundson***

With 80 years of family history in engineering and architecture in San Diego, Chuck Hope worked for Hope Architects and Engineers before founding Hope Engineering in 1993. Jim Amundson's arrival in 1999 strengthened the firm's leadership and increased their depth of expertise. Hope-Amundson is a full-service structural engineering firm with a deep bench of licensed engineers. They are celebrated as leaders in the structural engineering industry and in San Diego.

Hope-Amundson performs earthquake engineering, peer reviews, design-build engineering, value engineering, due diligence reports, feasibility studies, seismic retrofits and seismic certifications across a wide variety of markets.

- Years in Business: 24
- Total Employees: 33
- Offices: San Diego and Orange County (Newport Beach)

### ***About Coffman Engineers***

Coffman Engineers is proud to celebrate 38 years of providing clients with multidiscipline engineering services including civil, structural, mechanical, electrical, fire protection, process piping, instrumentation and controls, corrosion control engineering, project management, commissioning, and land survey services. The firm's successful history is propelled by their mission to see success through their client's success. Coffman Engineers offers clients an unwavering commitment to excellence in our services through our strategic office locations.

- Years in Business: 38
- Coffman Employees Companywide Post Merger: 470
- Total Offices: 14