

## Symposium Agenda

7:30 - 8:00 a.m.	<b>Virtual Check-In &amp; Opening Remarks</b>
8:00 - 9:00 a.m.	<b>Gilboa Dam Remediation: Weathering the Storm</b> <i>John Wise, P.E., Nicholson Construction Company</i>
9:00 - 9:15 a.m.	<b>Break</b>
9:15 - 10:15 a.m.	<b>Foundation Design for a New Steel Arch Railway Bridge Over the Genesee River</b> <i>Jay Smerekanicz, P.G., Golder Associates</i>
10:15 - 10:30 a.m.	<b>Break</b>
10:30 - 11:30 a.m.	<b>Best Practices in Site Characterization</b> <b>Featured Speaker</b> <i>Dr. Donald J. DeGroot, Sc.D., P.E., UMass-Amherst</i>
11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	<b>Lunch &amp; Slideshow Presentation of Sponsor's Highlighted Projects</b>
12:30 - 1:30 p.m.	<b>Infinity Tower Excavation Collapse</b> <i>Bill Walton, P.E., S.E., F.ASCE, GEI Consultants, Inc.</i>
1:30 - 1:45 p.m.	<b>Break</b>
1:45 - 2:45 p.m.	<b>Rehabilitation of the Red House Dam</b> <i>Josh Repp, P.E., Bergmann Associates</i>
2:45 - 3:00 p.m.	<b>Break</b>
3:00 - 4:00 p.m.	<b>Pile Supported Embankments I-690 Syracuse</b> <i>Mary Nodine, P.E., GEI Consultants, Inc.</i>
4:00 - 4:15 p.m.	<b>Closing Remarks</b>

### Featured Speaker:



Dr. Don J. DeGroot is a geotechnical engineer and professor in the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering at the University of Massachusetts Amherst. He received his Doctor of Science degree in Civil Engineering with specialization in geotechnical engineering at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1989. His teaching, research and consultancy experience is primarily in the area of soil behavior with an emphasis on field and laboratory measurements for geotechnical engineering site characterization programs. He has been a Principal/Co-Principal Investigator on numerous geotechnical engineering research projects that included research on drilling and sampling of soils, in situ testing, laboratory measurement of soil behavior, and selection of soil design parameters. His consultancy work has largely involved conducting and interpreting in situ and laboratory tests of soils. He has published findings from this research and consultancy work in many of the major geotechnical engineering journals, American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) Geotechnical Special Publications, American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) Special Technical Publications and Transportation Research Board (TRB) publications. National and international conference activities include invited Keynote, State-of-the-Art, and State-of-the-Practice papers and presentations on site characterization and soil behavior. He has served on the editorial boards of the Journal of Geotechnical and Geoenvironmental Engineering and the Geotechnical Testing Journal and served as Chair of the ASCE Geo-Institute Soil Properties and Modeling Committee.

**Registration & Payment:** Registration is limited to 150 attendees and will be on a first-come, first-served basis. Register will be open through the end of the business day on Tuesday, November 10, 2020. You can register for the event in one of two ways; online or by mail.

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