

TOP 10 WHY I LOVE MY JOB

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AGENDA

Introduction

Goals/Objective

Top 10/Interaction

Key Points/Summary

Questions



INTRODUCTION

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Originally from Childress, TX (Born and Raised)

Texas Tech University-Civil Engineering in 1996

Work

- TxDOT (1996-2001)
- Freese and Nichols (2001-2002)
- City of Fort Worth (2002-2005)
- Tarrant County (2005-Present)

Fun

- Family
- Friends
- Cigars



GOALS/OBJECTIVE

- Have Fun/Interaction
 - Make you laugh
 - Get a few takeaways



**DO SOMETHING YOU LOVE AND
YOU'LL NEVER WORK A DAY IN
YOUR LIFE!**



#10-PEOPLE INTERACTION

- Co-workers
- Vendors
- Suppliers
- Consultants
- Interagency Departments (purchasing/elected officials/DA/SO/etc.)

KNOW THEIR ROLE

KNOW THEIR PERSONALITY



#9-GADGETS

- Electronics (software, hardware)
- Heavy Equipment
- Mechanics and their gadgets
- Roadway gadgets
- Facility gadgets

KNOW THEIR PURPOSE

DO THEY MAKE YOU MORE EFFICIENT?



#8-ENGINEERING

- Math
- Science
- Weather
- Materials
- Projects (signage, drainage, pavement, rehabilitations, reconstructions, new developments/subdivisions, floodplain, utilities, etc.)
- I focused on academics-UIL science/number sense/calculator applications

- I'M A NERD
- I LIKE MATH AND SCIENCE



#7-ASSOCIATIONS

- TACERA-County related issues
- TFMA-Floodplains
- APWA-Public Works related issues
- TxAPA-Asphalt related issues
- TexITE-Transportation related issues
- ASCE-Civil Engineering related issues
- TSPE-Professional Engineering related issues

Each association specializes

Pick a couple



#6-FLEXIBILITY

- Schedule
- Weather
- Material availability
- Absences
- Intermittent Weather

YOU MUST BE FLEXIBLE
NO TWO DAYS ARE THE SAME



#5-CHANGE

- People (new co-workers, new elected officials, etc.)
- Technology
- BMP's
- Gadgets (#9 above)

TWO THINGS ARE CERTAIN IN LIFE
CHANGE
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#4-LEARNING NEW THINGS

- Job assignments
- Phones
- Methods and practices
- Software
- Hardware

I'M NOT AS SMART AS I THOUGHT I WAS
I LOVE LEARNING



#3-CULTURE

- Private
- Public
- Departmental
- Industry

RIGHT PEOPLE

RIGHT VALUES

YOU TEND TO GO WITH PEOPLE/VALUES (CULTURE) THAT FITS YOU PERSONALLY



#2-CIGARS/WHISKEY/FOOD

- Not necessarily in that order
- Relaxing
- Good conversations

BUSINESS WITH PLEASURE

FOOD-SITE VISITS

TIME OFF-TO ENJOY CIGARS AND WHISKEY

CONFERENCES-ENJOY ALL THREE



#1-FAMILY

- NOT GONNA BE RICH, BUT I CAN PROVIDE FOR THEM
- LOVE MY FAMILY-LOVE IS SPELLED: T I M E-COUNTY ALLOWS TIME OFF



KEY POINTS

- Did you have fun (thinking/relating)?
 - Did you laugh?
 - Did you learn (takeaways)?



QUESTIONS???



THANK YOU

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