



Press Release

Oregon Firm Makes Key Acquisition in Civil Engineering and Land Use Planning Industry

Emerio Design expands team with mid-valley engineering firm Reece & associates

Portland, OR, May 10, 2023 – Today, [Emerio Design](#) (Emerio)—a civil engineering firm founded in 2005—announced the expansion of its organization and core strategic offerings through the acquisition of Reece & associates, inc. (R&a). The addition of R&a will extend the company’s civil and structural engineering, land use planning, home design and land surveying services across the Willamette Valley and coastal communities.

“We are thrilled to have an organization of R&a’s caliber and history joining our firm,” said Emerio Founder and Principal Neil Fernando, PE. “With more than 25 years of civil engineering and land use planning experience, they bring another layer of expertise to our company and strengthen our capacity to deliver on our core services.”

The Reece staff join a diverse Emerio team of 100+ employees in four offices across the Pacific Northwest—and a company, which, [The Oregonian](#) recently named as one of the Top Workplaces in Oregon and SW Washington. Emerio considers this acknowledgement a celebration of its team and a reflection of their wide range of skills and services across a variety of disciplines. R&a’s addition will only complement that experience further—and will provide greater civil engineering and survey services for public works projects, while better meeting the needs of land use planning and residential projects in communities across the region.

“When it came to joining the team at Emerio, this was a natural fit for us,” said R&a President and Principal-in-Charge David J. Reece, PE. “With an expanded suite of engineering, surveying, and design services, this partnership will truly offer full-service support to the projects we pursue together. It will also provide our team access to additional professional development and career growth opportunities. This will positively impact the team’s ability to take on bigger, multi-phased projects, expand our capacity, and build on our depth of expertise.”

In addition to their shared industry expertise, both company leaders cite their time at [Oregon State University](#) for buttressing this alliance—and aligning their business values and core philosophies. Together they envision an organization more able to meet those OSU values which “push to the very edge; forge solutions; and build a future that’s smarter, healthier, more prosperous, and more just.”

R&a will continue to operate as a separate business under the new name of [Reece Engineering & Survey](#), with founder David Reece joining the executive team at Emerio as he transitions towards retirement in the coming years.

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About Emerio Design

Emerio Design, LLC is a full-service consulting firm specializing in civil and structural engineering,



land surveying, house design and land use planning—bringing together a team of engineers, surveyors, construction managers, designers, planners, and inspectors. Their priority is to combine their deeply rooted commitment to service with these focus areas of expertise, ensuring that commitment is carried through to the smallest project details.

Founded in 2005, Emerio Design is [one of the largest BIPOC-owned companies in Oregon](#), with a portfolio of companies that includes WB Wells, AQTERA Engineering, and now Reece Engineering & Survey. With more than 100 employees and four offices across the Pacific Northwest, Emerio brings together the expertise and resources to deliver multidiscipline projects from initiation to construction closeout for both public works and private development.

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