



San Joaquin Geological Society

VIRTUAL MEETING

Date: Tuesday, September 15, 2020

Time: 6:00 PM Virtual Social Hour
6:30 PM Virtual Lecture

Place: Zoom link to follow

Our virtual social hour and lecture will be held via Zoom. Meeting link and access code to follow!

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A Pandemic Get Away – Destination Namibia **Presented by: Brian Pitts**

Abstract: Namibia is a travel destination you should consider placing on your post-pandemic list. It is a safe up-and-coming country for tourists that is known for expansive stark beauty, abundant wildlife, and friendly people. This online presentation will chronicle a June 2019 trip. Topics will include standard aspects of travel to an exotic locale as well as some surprising behind-the-scenes realities. The overarching conclusion of the presentation is, “you can do this trip!”

Biography: Brian Pitts is a lecturer in the Geology Department at CSU Bakersfield covering the topics of “California Geology and Society” and “Water in the West.” He retired six years ago from a senior management position with Kern County Public Health Department as Chief of Environmental Health overseeing the Hazardous Materials and Solid Waste programs. He has presented at state and national environmental health conferences addressing environmental investigations, enforcement, emergency preparedness, and emergency response. His professional expertise includes, oil and gas, local government, environment, groundwater contamination as well as investigations/enforcement and management. He is a California Licensed Professional Geologist, Certified Hydrogeologist, and Registered Environmental Health Specialist. He holds a M.S. in Geology from CSU Northridge, is a 35+ year member of AAPG and is working on post-pandemic travel plans.