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Steven Thomsen Appointed Snohomish County Director of Public Works; Owen Carter Named Deputy Director Public Works

Steven Thomsen today was appointed Director of Snohomish County Public Works.

“Steven brings to this important position impeccable credentials and extensive experience in the field of Public Works.” says Snohomish County Executive Aaron Reardon.

Thomsen has worked for nearly 20 years in the Snohomish County Department of Public Works with his past five years as County Engineer and Deputy Director. Thomsen has been acting as interim Director of Public Works since January 1, 2006.

Thomsen will oversee 650 employees and an annual Public Works budget of more than \$250 million. Snohomish County Public Works includes the departments of roads, solid waste, fleet management and surface water management.

Thomsen is a registered Professional Engineer in the State of Washington. He currently serves as a board member for the Washington State Transportation Improvement Board, Regional Policy Evaluation Committee for Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC), Snohomish County Committee for Improved Transportation, and most recently Snohomish County Tomorrow Executive Committee. He serves as the County chair for the Infrastructure Coordinating Committee and as chair for the Snohomish Regional Transportation Improvement District (RTID) county wide technical group.

Owen Carter has been named County Engineer and Deputy Director of Public Works. Carter has a total of 15 years with Snohomish County Public Works, serving most recently as Design Construction Manager for County roads and bridges. Carter is a registered Professional Engineer.

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