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AKS ENGINEERING ADDS TWO PROJECT MANAGERS

TUALATIN, OREGON – AKS Engineering & Forestry, LLC (AKS) recently announced the addition of two project managers.

Taya MacLean has joined AKS' natural resources team as a Senior Biologist. Prior to joining AKS, Ms. MacLean served as the Natural Resources Team Lead and Senior Biologist/Wetland Scientist for SWCA in Portland. As the Senior Biologist for AKS, Ms. MacLean will continue to provide clients with a diverse suite of natural resources services, including wetland delineation and permitting, Endangered Species Act (ESA) compliance, botanical and wildlife surveys, local natural resource protection ordinance compliance throughout Oregon and Washington, and project management. She will also be working with our in-house Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) expert, Rob Rettig, to provide FEMA National Floodplain Insurance Program (NFIP) compliance services specifically related to ESA Section 7 compliance to ensure protection of ESA-listed fish species which may be put at risk by development in the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA), or "100 year floodplain." With 17 years of natural resources management experience, Ms. MacLean will continue to provide valuable expertise with support from the AKS natural resources team.

Ms. MacLean holds a Master of Science degree in Biology from California State University, with a Botany/Plant Ecology emphasis. Additionally, Ms. MacLean holds a bachelor's degree in Forestry and Natural Resources Management from California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo. Ms. MacLean is certified by the Oregon Department of Transportation to prepare Biological Assessments and is in the process of becoming a certified Professional Wetland Scientist.

Janelle Poe has joined AKS as a Civil Engineering Project Manager out of the company's Salem-Keizer office. As a Project Manager, Ms. Poe brings more than 20 years of experience with engineering projects, including public works and private land development projects. She has worked on various subdivision, multifamily, mixed-use, and commercial site development projects. In addition to private site improvement projects, Ms. Poe represented the City of Tillamook and the City of Donald as City Engineer with her previous employer, Boatwright Engineering in Salem. She will continue to develop her project management experience from AKS' Salem-Keizer office.

Ms. Poe holds a bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering from Gonzaga University in Spokane, Washington and is a registered Professional Engineer in Oregon.

Ms. MacLean can be contacted at (503) 563-6151 and Ms. Poe can be contacted at (503) 400-6028. For information about AKS, visit www.aks-eng.com.

AKS Engineering & Forestry, LLC is a full-service, locally owned firm, celebrating 20 years of providing civil engineering, forestry, and surveying services to the Portland Metropolitan Area and its surrounding cities. The 115-person company has offices in Tualatin and Salem-Keizer, Oregon and Vancouver, Washington. AKS provides civil engineering, land use planning, land surveying, hydrographic surveying, and landscape architecture services, in addition to forest engineering, arborist, natural resources, and flood elevation surveying and permitting services. The unique combination of services under one roof has allowed AKS to specialize in all types of projects in and around trees including industrial, commercial, residential, and municipal work.

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