



PRESS RELEASE

20120223 Bart Stepp Hired as Woodland Public Works Director

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: The City of Woodland is pleased to announce the hiring of Bart Stepp, P. E. as Public Works Director. Originally from the Albany, Oregon area, he is coming to Woodland from the City of La Center, where he has resided for the last seven years and held the title of City Engineer. Stepp attended Rice University and Albertsons College in Idaho, where he earned a B.S. in Mathematics before earning his master's degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Portland. The **University of Portland** (UP) is a private Catholic university located in Portland, Oregon. It is specifically affiliated with the Congregation of Holy Cross and is the sister school of the University of Notre Dame. Founded in 1901, UP has a student body of about 3,200 students. He holds professional licenses in Washington, Oregon and Montana and is a Certified Erosion and Sediment Control Lead in Washington. Bart has been a member of the American Public Works Association since 2008 and earned a certification in contract administration. He also successfully completed the Public Works Management training series sponsored by the Northwest Public Works Institute and the APWA. Bart and his family will continue to reside in La Center, Washington, where he is active in the community and coaches youth sports.

The Woodland City Council confirmed Bart's appointment and approved his employment contract at their regular February 21, 2012 meeting. His official starting date will be Monday, March 5, 2012. He will take his oath of office and be officially sworn in at the regular council meeting, scheduled for that evening, in the Woodland City Hall Council Chambers, at 100 Davidson, Woodland, WA, at 7:00 p.m. He can be reached at steppb@ci.woodland.wa.us or 360-225-7999.
