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## Retirement Reception for WACO Executive Director Fred Saeger

**F**riday, August 31, will mark Fred Saeger's last day as the executive director of the Washington Association of County Officials (WACO.) Please join the WACO staff for a retirement reception and open house for Fred on the afternoon of August 31, from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Washington Counties Building, 206 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE, Olympia. Refreshments will be served, memories will be shared and good wishes extended to Fred for a happy and wonderful retirement.

For those of you unable to attend the function on August 31, a retirement dinner and roast are planned for the evening of October 4. The retirement festivities are being held in conjunction with the 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual WACO Conference in Port Ludlow. For more information, please contact the WACO staff at (360) 753-7319.

## Courthouse Visits in Progress (Thank you for the hospitality!)

**C**ommon themes, unique county problems, fire, smoke, triple-digit temperatures and warm receptions were just a few of the highlights for visits to nine eastern Washington County Courthouses last week by WSAC Executive Director Bill Vogler, WACO Deputy Director Debbie Wilke, and Farmworker Housing Coordinator Jim Potts.

It was a whirlwind trip that included Spokane, Pend Oreille, Stevens, Ferry, Okanogan, Douglas, Chelan, Adams and Lincoln Counties but allowed association staff a valuable opportunity to sit with officials to find out what is happening in their communities. The respective agendas featured a presentation by each association outlining the member services offered and a list of the achievements for

WACO and WSAC during the past year. Then it was the counties' turn to discuss important issues they are facing. While all the counties share common challenges, it is immediately apparent each has other problems that are theirs alone due to industry, population, and geographical location.

Jim Potts reported tremendous progress in several of the counties in providing housing to migrant farm workers. A side-trip to Oroville was a dramatic demonstration of what can be accomplished in a short time when state and local interests are coordinated. The site includes all new manufactured housing for 80 with service trailers with facilities for cooking, laundry, and personal needs. The Oro-

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ville location can be expanded for up to 240 workers and will be in operation until the apple harvest is complete in November. New housing was available in Douglas County last year but faced a 28-day availability due to a limitation on

the use of tents. Several other projects are planned or nearing completion.

Bill Vogler and Debbie Wilke visited the Thurston County Courthouse on Wednesday. The next round of visits is set for the week of September 17<sup>th</sup> and will include Grant, Kittitas, Yakima,

Benton, Franklin, Walla Walla, Columbia, Garfield, Asotin, and Whitman Counties. More will be announced as arrangements are confirmed.

## Klickitat County Prosecutor Resigns to Take New Position

**J**ames Hagarty, Klickitat County Prosecuting Attorney, has announced his resignation, to accept a position as Assistant United States Attorney in the

Yakima office. Hagarty took the office as prosecutor on January 1, 1999 and is currently a member of the WACO Board of Trustees, representing the Prosecuting At-

torneys' Association. Congratulations and good luck to Jim on his new endeavor!

### The Courthouse Journal

The Courthouse Journal is published weekly by the Washington Association of County Officials (WACO) and the Washington State Association of Counties (WSAC).

Suggestions and contributions welcome. Weekly deadline is noon Thursday.

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## Commissioners: Don't Forget to Designate An "Agent" To Receive Claims Against County

**A**s of July 22, there is a new procedure for all local governments to receive claims for damages. Many jurisdictions are in compliance, but according to a recent letter from the Washington Trial Lawyers Association some jurisdictions still have not complied with the new law.

Substitute House Bill 1530, codified as amended RCW 4.92.010.020, requires the governing body of each local government entity to designate an "agent" to receive claims for damages. The identity of the agent and the address where he or she may be reached during the normal business hours of the local government entity are to be recorded with the Auditor of the county in which the entity is located.

The statute defines "local govern-

ment entity" to mean a county, city, town, special district, quasi-municipal corporation or public hospital district. It appears that many county Boards of Commissioners or County Councils have identified and recorded with the Auditor an agent to receive damage claims against the county. However, Auditors report that numerous other affected government entities, such as special districts, have not complied with the statute.

While the law does not require county Auditors to notify other government entities of the statutory change, they might wish to do so as a courtesy. Because of the recording requirement, Auditors also might wish to clarify any special recording needs, such as recording fees and margin requirements.

## Counties Invited To Water Summit

**T**he Association of Washington Cities has invited county commissioners, councilmembers and staff to a one-day Statewide Water Summit that will take place on September 20, at the Criminal Justice Training Center in Burien. Topics will include municipal water rights, Growing Communities Doctrine, as well as some water quality issues related to stormwater, TMDLs, etc.

The overall goal of the workshop is to educate elected officials and key staff on a range of water quantity and quality issues, build a better understanding of issues facing east/west, large/small cities and utilities, and build support for legislative action in 2002. The luncheon/keynote speaker will be Jim Waldo. Mayors, councilmembers, city managers/

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administrators and public works directors from cities across the state plan to

attend.

The registration fee is \$35 and includes lunch. To register go to [www.](http://www.awcnet.org/waterconf.htm)

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## Forest Payments Committee Takes Input

The Federal Committee established to oversee implementation of PL 106-393, the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act, met this week in Portland and Pendleton to hear comments and suggestions on implementation.

Recommendations included a proposal that a website or clearinghouse be established for counties to ask questions about the new act. There also was testimony about the need to get the Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) members appointed quickly so counties can get on with projects. The Committee agreed to send a letter to the Administration to streamline the RAC approval process and get things moving.

Claire Lavendel, Forest Supervisor for the Gifford Pinchot National Forest in southwest Washington, testified on how the process for RAC selection and

implementing the act was working in her Forest. The Committee was very impressed and said it sounded like a model for the rest of the nation. She is not waiting for the RAC to be approved to develop projects, but will have projects ready to propose to the RAC once it is formed. In response to whether there is a need for national direction on what are eligible projects, she thought it might dampen experimentation. Rather, she prefers to use the 5pm news test. How would this project look to the public if it was aired on prime-time news.

Several county officials testified, including county officials from Ferry and Okanogan Counties in Washington. Most of the Commissioners testifying said they had good working relationships with the local Forest Service or BLM Offices and recommended that authority for approving projects be delegated to the lowest field level possible.

There were also several remarks about how each state allocated the funding differently under state law and whether the Committee should look at that and make recommendations. In both Washington and Oregon, the local schools don't get the school funding portion because under the states equalization act, the schools get paid on a student FTE basis. In some states, schools in forest counties do receive the school money on top of state school funding. The representatives from Washington State expressed asked the committee to seek better ways to get dollars directly to the rural eastern Washington counties and schools.

An environmental representative testified that she didn't want to see the funds used to support timber harvest and that future payments must be decoupled from harvest.

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## Forest Practices Board Adopts New Rule For Small Landowners

In response to July 22 legislation, the Washington Forest Practices Board on August 8, 2001 adopted an emergency rule that improves a new state program which recognizes the contribution family forest owners make to Washington's natural resources.

The emergency rule affects the Washington Forestry Riparian Easement Program, which provides partial compensation to small forest landowners for trees they are required to leave along streams and waterways, according to new state forest practices rules.

The most significant change affects how landowners are compensated for enrolling in the easement program. Landowners can now be reimbursed for the cost of setting up and laying out streamside buffers. DNR will also pay the cost of preparing and recording ease-

ments and all business and occupation and real estate excise taxes. It also extends compensation to landowners who are unable to obtain a forest practices application because of the way new "Forest and Fish" rules affect timber harvesting near riparian areas on their property.

DNR estimates there are currently between 45,000 and 90,000 family-owned tree farms in Washington, which provide critical habitat for more than 85 percent of Washington's fish, birds, mammals, and amphibians. Approximately five percent of those landowners may have so much water on their land that the required buffers prevent them from obtaining a timber harvest permit.

A first of its kind in the nation, DNR's Forestry Riparian Easement Program provides 50 percent compensation

to landowners for trees they are required to leave under the new forest practices rules. Washington's newly adopted "Forest and Fish" rules require that trees be retained to improve water quality and enhance habitat for salmon and other endangered fish. Although the new rules require landowners to leave trees near riparian areas when conducting a harvest, the compensation program is voluntary. If a landowner chooses to be compensated, the leave trees will be protected by a 50-year easement with the state. The easement covers the trees and the ecological protections they provide to sensitive aquatic areas, but does not apply to the land itself. Landowners may continue to use their land as they see fit as long as the trees are not cut or in any way jeopardized.

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The program is intended to minimize the economic impact of more restrictive forest practices rules on Washington's small forest landowners. It also recognizes

the economic vulnerability of most family tree farms and their contribution to natural resources and public values.

To learn more about Washington's Forestry Riparian Easement Program, contact

DNR's Small Forest Landowner Office at **360-902-1391**, e-mail [sflo@wadnr.gov](mailto:sflo@wadnr.gov), or visit their Web site at [www.wa.gov/dnr/sflo](http://www.wa.gov/dnr/sflo).

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## The Great Local Government Leadership Workshop Series

**O**n Thursday, September 13, the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) is offering a one-day workshop focusing on the distinguishing hallmarks of a superb local government that responds to today's challenges: increasing trust in government; using the "Four Pillars of Commitment" to actively involve key

stakeholders; designing simple benchmarks that can be effectively measured and promoted; and changing your workplace culture to create less bureaucracy.

The workshop will be held at the SeaTac Marriott, in SeaTac, September 13, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., with registration beginning at 8:30 a.m. The fee is \$125,

which includes lunch, refreshments and workshop materials.

County officials are invited to join AWC members for this Leadership Training Session. Those interested should contact AWC at (360) 753-4137.

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### Good Things

## Jefferson County Auditor's Office Publication

**W**ACO has just received a copy of the Jefferson County Auditor's Office "2001 Election Information" publication. County Auditor Donna Eldridge and her Chief Deputy Auditor/Election Coordinator Karen Cartmel are responsible for the fine publication. Topics included in the

booklet range from absentee ballot information, statutory changes to applicable election laws, PDC reporting information, census information for Jefferson county, sign regulations, history and facts about voting, general information on elections, offices up for election and a page with

valuable links to other services. The publication appears to be a very comprehensive and useful tool, not only to those in Jefferson County but, to citizens outside of the county's borders as well. A job well done, Donna, Karen and staff.

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## Department of Revenue Releases Tax Comparison Report

**T**he State Department of Revenue has released a report comparing Washington's state and local tax burdens to other states and to Washington's historic tax burdens. Data in the report is from annual surveys of the states by the U.S. Census. Officials in border counties may find the detail comparisons to neighboring states of particular interest.

The rankings use 1998 data. They

show Washington residents paying \$115 of state and local taxes for every \$1,000 of personal income, a reduction of \$2.49 from 1997. This reduction results in Washington's tax ranking dropping from 11<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup>. If the impact of I-695 is factored in, the ranking drops to 26<sup>th</sup>. The average American pays \$111.70 per \$1,000 of personal income.

The comparative statistics also show

that neighboring states rely heavily on the income tax. Oregon receives 31.8% of state and local revenue from the income tax. In Idaho the percentage is 31.3% and in California it is 33.8%.

If you are interested in the report, it can be found on the Department of revenue web site at: [www.dor.wa.gov](http://www.dor.wa.gov) where you need to click on "Statistical Studies".

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## County Projects Selected for Public Works Board Loans

**T**he state Public Works Board (PWB) this week announced its recommended 2002 funding list of local projects that applied for Public Works Trust Fund construction loans. The board recommended \$206 million in loans for 66 local projects, primarily water and sewer projects.

The Board voted to allocate its full biennial appropriation in the first year of the biennium and seek additional spending authority next year for the fund's substantial cash balance. WSAC representatives on the Board, Commissioner Eric Johnson and Commissioner Jesse Palacios, voted

with the majority on this matter.

The funding list includes seven county projects, one more than received loans for 2001. Counties receiving the low-interest construction loans are: Snohomish, \$10 million for a recycling/transfer station pro-

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ject; King County, \$10 million for a sewer project; Kittitas County, \$1.425 million for a transfer station, and Clark County, \$10 million for four separate road projects. Clark County applied for three additional projects, and scored well enough to receive loans, but would have exceeded the annual \$10 million limitation. Six other county projects applied for loans but either did not score well enough to receive funding or did

not receive an exemption from Growth Management Act requirements.

The Board received 124 loan applications and ranked the applications based on points awarded for both need and local effort. The scores ranged from a high of 91 points of a possible 100 to a low of 23. Projects scoring 74 points or more were considered for loans. County applications constituted 12 percent of the total – up three percent over last year.

Since 1986, the Trust Fund has provided more than \$1 billion in loans for local bridge, road, water, sewer, storm water, and solid waste projects.

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## Comment Period for Revision to Water Use Rules

The Department of Ecology is holding public hearings to accept comments on a new draft rule for new water use measurements, Chapter 173-173 WAC, Requirements for Measuring and Reporting Water Use, to update the outdated 1969 rule (Chapter 508-64 WAC) and to include new requirements from the 1993 metering law. The proposed revision includes: who must meter and when, what specific data is required, requirements for both open channel and pipe diversions (previously only the latter was listed), hardware require-

ments (now focused on performance instead of types and materials), relaxed metering accuracy requirements, and the allowance of some indirect measurement methods.

The comment period runs from August 15<sup>th</sup> to September 24<sup>th</sup>, with hearings starting at 7:00 pm on the following schedule: September 4<sup>th</sup>: Tacoma Public Utilities Auditorium, 3628 S. 35<sup>th</sup> St., Tacoma. September 5<sup>th</sup>: Whatcom Co. Council Chambers, Co. Courthouse, 311 Grand Ave., Bellingham.

September 11<sup>th</sup>: Walla Walla Regional Airport Community Mtg. Room, Exit off Hwy. 12, Walla Walla. September 12<sup>th</sup>: Davis High School, Kiva, 212 6<sup>th</sup> Ave., Yakima. September 13<sup>th</sup>: Chelan Co. PUD Auditorium, 327 N. Wenatchee Ave., Wenatchee. September 17<sup>th</sup>: Guy Cole Convention Center, Carrie Blake Park, Sequim.

For policy and rule questions, please contact Jeff Marti at 360-407-6636. For technical questions, please contact Lynn Coleman at 360-407-6738.

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## Counties Working On Water Resources Position Papers

Several weeks ago the Courthouse Journal reported that the Governor's office and legislative leadership have reached agreement on a process for discussions on water resources leading to specific proposals for the 2002 legislative session. This process, known as the Five Corners group, will be led by representatives from the Governor's office and from both Republicans and Democrats in the House and the Senate. This Joint Committees members are Senators Karen Fraser, Debbie Regala, Bob Morton, and Jim Honeyford, Representatives Kelli Linville, Steve Kirby, Gary Chandler, and Bruce Chandler, as well as Administration rep-

resentatives Jim Waldo, Curt Smitch, and Tom Fitzsimmons.

The four priority issues that the Joint Committee has asked interest groups for are Infrastructure and Storage, Growing Communities, Relinquishment, and Instream Flows. A small workgroup began county involvement in this process by drafting White Papers on those issues. On August 20<sup>th</sup>, county elected officials and staff met with Jim Waldo from the Governor's Office to discuss the process leading toward possible water legislation during the next legislative session. It was agreed that the key task at this point is to identify specific county interests. County recom-

mendations on each topic will follow. The WSAC Legislative Steering Committee will be reviewing and adopting the White Papers and the recommendations they will include at their meeting in Yakima on September 7<sup>th</sup>. On September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2001, the Joint Committee will host a "Listening Day", where a group of those involved with drafting the county papers will present our issues. This will be followed by legislative work sessions from October 23 to 25. For more information please contact Paul Parker or legislative intern Selena Hopkins at 360-753-1886.

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## City of Seattle Fights Conservation Ballot Initiative

Yesterday the Seattle Times reported that the city of Seattle filed a complaint against Yes For Seattle, the organization behind Initiative 63. The lawsuit, filed on Tuesday August 21<sup>st</sup>, asked the King County Superior Court to rule on an injunction keeping the water-conservation initiative off the ballot on

the grounds that the initiative is illegal because it oversteps an initiative's powers. I-63 would create incentives for increased conservation by charging higher rates for residents and businesses that use large amounts of water, give low-income families money to install devices like low-flow toilets, and require that

suburban cities that contract to buy water from Seattle submit to the same conservation requirements. Will Patton, director of utilities for the City Attorney's office, said that the initiative would take power away from the city council, which has the authority, under state law, to

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regulate water rates and water contracts in and around Seattle. Because the city council sets rates for the city-owned and -operated water system, it would be illegal for an initiative to require one group of users to be charged at higher rates than others. Patton said it would

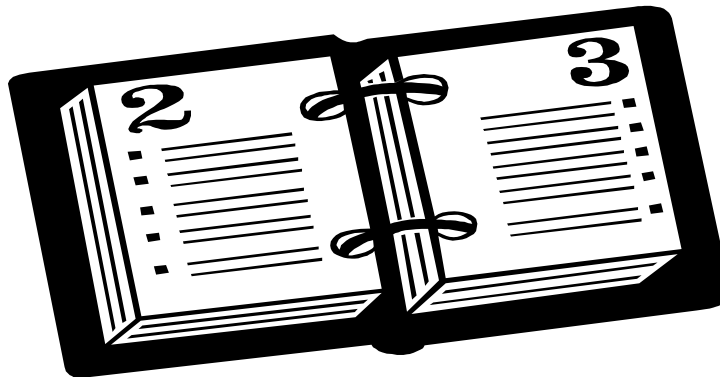
also be illegal for an initiative to decide where city water can be used; shutting out suburban cities takes contracting authority away from the city council. But according to Knoll Lowney, co-chair of Yes For Seattle, the lawsuit misses the basic point of I-63: that Seattle residents don't want their conservation efforts

wasted on "water hogs" and suburbs that don't necessarily use the extra water for environmental efforts. The city council cannot refuse to process the initiative, and there are plans to write an alternate version should it fail in court.

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## September County Calendar

- 3 Labor Day - Legal Holiday - may vary by local ordinance. RCW 1.16.050
- 3 By this date, the Department of Revenue must submit to each county assessor a preliminary indicated ratio for each county. RCW 84.48.075
- 4 County auditor is to submit the preliminary budget to the county legislative authority. RCW 36.40.050 (For alternate date on budget hearing, see RCW 36.40.071)
- 17 Up until this date, the Department of Revenue shall review the county's preliminary ratio with the county assessor, if requested by the assessor. RCW 84.48.075
- 17 After this date, the Department of Revenue shall certify to the county assessor the real and personal property ratio for the county. RCW 84.48.075 The county assessor has fifteen days after the date of certification to file an appeal. RCW 82.03.130
- 18 Nominating primaries shall be held where required for November general election. (If the seventh Tuesday immediately preceding the general election occurs before the third Tuesday of September, the primary election shall be held on that date.) RCW 29.13.070
- 30 By this date, the Department of Revenue certifies its assessments of public utility operating properties to each county assessor. RCW 84.12.370
- 30 By this date, the Department of Revenue shall transmit to each county assessor a transcript specifying the amount to be levied for state purposes. RCW 84.48.110
- 30 Assessed valuations shall be certified to taxing districts, by the county assessor. RCW 84.48.130
- Sept./Oct. The Department of Revenue shall equalize the value of all property in the state and levy the state taxes authorized by law, sometime during the months of September and October. RCW 84.48.080



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## Employment Opportunities

**WHITMAN COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT** is seeking to fill the position of County Engineer. This is professional engineering work, planning, administering and coordinating all engineering and associated activities related to county roads. This work involves the exercise of considerable independent judgment and discretion in the interpretation, application and enforcement of laws, regulations and county policies applicable to road design, construction and maintenance activities. Work will involve considerable contact with state inspectors and agencies, public and private officials, local governments, county departments and the general public. The County Engineer works with, and reports directly to the Director of Public Works and the Board of County Commissioners. Required: BA in Civil Engineering or related field. Licensed PE in the State of Washington. Valid Washington State driver's license. Preferred: Three years of progressively responsible professional and supervisory engineering work experience involving a variety of assignments associated with the design, construction or maintenance of roads and bridges. Starting Salary: \$4867—\$5013 per month plus benefits. Closing Date: Open until filled. For an application contact Whitman County Human Resources, 402 North Main Street, Colfax, WA 99111, whitman-county.org or call (509) 397-6205. AA/EOE

**WHATCOM COUNTY, IN BELLINGHAM, WA,** is seeking a **Service Learning Coordinator for our Juvenile Services Department.** Hiring range: \$14.81 - \$15.99 / Hour, DOQ. This position requires a Bachelor's degree in social science or related field and 1 year experience working directly with at-risk adolescents that included programming or project management responsibilities. Whatcom County offers excellent employer-paid medical, dental & vision benefits for employee and family, generous vacation, sick & holiday leave, pro-rated based on part-time hours. WA State Retirement system. Optional deferred comp & Flex 125

available. Application period closes 9/5/01. For required application packet contact Whatcom County Human Resources, 311 Grand Ave., Suite 107, Bellingham, WA, or call (360) 676-6802. For detailed job announcement visit our website at [www.co.whatcom.wa.us](http://www.co.whatcom.wa.us) or call the jobline at (360) 738-4550. EOE.

**DEPT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE** is looking for a **Licensing Manager** (Salary \$4712 - \$6167 monthly) Closes August 31, 2001. **Location:** Headquarters located in the Natural Resources Building, Olympia, Washington **Overview:** Reports to Assistant Director of Business Services. Responsible for licensing related programs, commercial license buyback, and special projects. **Duties and Responsibilities:** Assure optimum use of resources and effectively manage the Licensing Division with a budget in excess of \$8 Million per biennium and a staff of thirteen. Manage and continue to improve the Washington Interactive Licensing Database (WILD) and Commercial Licensing Systems. Develop agency licensing policy, strategic direction, and provide support for agency legislative initiatives. Administer the Economic Assistance Adjustment Program (purchase of commercial fishing licenses). **Desired Qualifications:** Bachelor's degree involving major study in business administration, public administration, business law, commerce, economics, or closely allied field. Demonstrated appreciation of and experience with providing services to customers. Demonstrated ability to effectively manage both budget and staff using comprehensive management systems, team building and quality management. Experience with automated systems and changing technology. Knowledge of Department's policies, RCWs, WACs and Title 34.05 (the Administrative Procedures Act). Proven skill with conflict resolution and negotiation. Ability to think critically, analyze complex issues, and make sound strategic decisions. Effective use of communication strategies and skills. **To Apply:** Submit a letter of interest which includes a description of how you qualify for the position, a resume, and a completed applicant profile (may be obtained from personnel officer below) to:

Sue Vance, Personnel Officer  
Department of Fish and Wildlife  
600 Capitol Way North  
Olympia, Washington 98501-1091

**LEWIS COUNTY—Information Services Manager.** (\$4,008.58—\$4,784.42 per mo). Closes September 17, 2001, at 5:00 p.m. Must have broad knowledge of information systems, analysis and/or programming to resolve complex end-user problems and application programs. Supervises staff, works closely with personnel in county operations, coordinates large and small projects with multiple features or programs with several subordinate teams, and is a technical specialist and individual contributor in specialized area. Must be able to prepare, justify and monitor division budget and develop innovative solutions to technology issues. Must have top-line management skills and abilities along with demonstrated project management, verbal and written communication skills. BA plus five years of technical and administrative experience, or any combination of experience and training which provides the required knowledge, skills, and abilities. A complete job description and application packet are available at [www.co.lewis.wa.us](http://www.co.lewis.wa.us) or may be obtained from Lewis Co. General Administration Dept, 360 NW North Street, Chehalis, WA 98532. Telephone: (360) 740-1408.

**KLICKITAT COUNTY, COUNTY ROAD ENGINEER/PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR—** (\$72,000 TO \$77,000 DOQ Annually) Position has responsibilities for managing, directing, guiding, and controlling activities of the Public Works Department. Requirements: 8 years of professional experience of which up to 6 years of college (engineering or other appropriate field) can be substituted on a year-for-year basis. PE required. Additional experience managing a multiple division department. Application at [www.klickitatcounty.org](http://www.klickitatcounty.org) or e-mail [lynnc@co.klickitat.wa.us](mailto:lynnc@co.klickitat.wa.us). Klickitat County Personnel Department, 509-773-7171, 205 S. Columbus, MS-CH-15, Goldendale, WA 986230. Open until filled. EOE.

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# Coming Events

August 27-30

**Washington State Association of County Assessors' Annual Conference**, Enzian Inn, Leavenworth

September 9-12

**International Association of Assessing Officers Annual Conference**, Miami, Florida

September 10-11

**Washington State Assn of County Treasurers' Legislative Meeting**, Summit Inn, Snoqualmie Pass

September 11-14

**Washington State Association of County and Regional Planning Directors Annual Conference**, Campbell's Resort, Chelan.

September 19-21

**Washington Finance Officers Association Annual Conference**, Wenatchee

September 19-21

**ACHS Meeting**, Ellensburg

September 27-28

**WSAC Eastern District Meeting**, East Wenatchee, Mickey O'Reilly Inn

October 1-5

**WACO Annual Conference**, Port Lud-

low Resort & Conference Center

October 8-9

Cost Allocation Training, Sponsored by **Washington Association of Prosecuting Attorneys Support Enforcement Project**, Red Lion Hotel, Wenatchee

October 11-12

**WSAC Western District Meeting**, Super 8 Motel, Long Beach

October 16-17

Cost Allocation Training, Sponsored by **Washington Association of Prosecuting Attorneys Support Enforcement Project**, West Coast Tri-cities Hotel, Kennewick

October 18-19

**CRABoard Meeting**, CRAB Office, Olympia

October 25-26

**Washington State Association of Local Public Health Officials**, Local Boards of Health Leadership Workshop ("Emerging Public Health Issues"), SeaTac, Radisson Hotel

November 12-13

Cost Allocation Training, Sponsored by **Washington Association of Prosecuting Attorneys Support Enforcement Project**, Doubletree Hotel, Spokane City Center

November 12-15

**Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chief's Annual Fall Conference**, Doubletree Hotel, Pasco

November 14-16

**ACHS Meeting**, Silverdale

November 14-16

**WSAC Fall Legislative Conference**, Silverdale Hotel on the Bay, Silverdale

November 14

**WCIF Board Meeting**, in conjunction with WSAC Fall Legislative Conference, 10 am - 12 pm

December 13-14

**Washington Association of Prosecuting Attorneys' Annual Winter Meeting**, Crowne Plaza, Seattle

January 29-31, 2002

**Legislative Rally & Tri-Association Legislative Reception**

April 11-12, 2002

**WSAC Western District Meeting**, TBD

April 25-26, 2002

**WSAC Eastern District Meeting**, Sun Mountain Lodge, Winthrop

June 18-21, 2002

**WSAC Summer Convention**, Bellevue

