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Lisa Phipps joins DOGAMI Governing Board

Portland, Oregon: Lisa Phipps has been appointed by Governor Ted Kulongoski and confirmed by the State Senate to serve a 4 year term with the Governing Board of The Oregon Department of Geology & Mineral Industries (DOGAMI).

Ms. Phipps is the executive director of the Tillamook Estuaries Partnership, a non-profit organization dedicated to the conservation and restoration of the five Tillamook County estuaries and the watersheds that sustain them.

Prior to joining the Tillamook Estuaries Partnership, Ms. Phipps was the coastal resource planner and planning manager for the Tillamook County Department of Community Development. As coastal resource planner, she dealt with coastal hazards, landslide topography and flooding. She has served as mayor of Rockaway Beach for 5 years. She currently sits on the boards of several non-profit organizations and is the president of the Tillamook County United Way.

Ms. Phipps is a graduate of Michigan State University and Vermont Law School.

Speaking for the Board, State Geologist and Agency Director Vicki McConnell said, "It is a great pleasure to welcome Ms. Phipps to the DOGAMI Governing Board. Her extensive knowledge and understanding of geologic, environmental and regulatory issues affecting coastal Oregon will bring an important perspective to our Board as the coastal Oregon representative."

Ms. Phipps joins the five person DOGAMI Governing Board, whose other members include Don Haagensen of Portland (Chair), Steve Macnab of Bend (Vice-Chair), Larry Givens of Milton-Freewater and R. Charles Vars of Corvallis.

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