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Snohomish County Division Director Selected to American Public Works Association Board

*Public Works Engineering Services Director Janice Fahning brings nearly 25 years of
knowledge and a passion for mentoring*

EVERETT, Wash., December 12, 2017 – Snohomish County Public Works Engineering Services Director Janice Fahning, P.E. has been improving transportation infrastructure for nearly 25 years. Her hard work, knowledge, and leadership is being recognized by the American Public Works Association (APWA) with an election to serve as a 2018-2019 APWA Board Member for Washington State.

“Janice is an invaluable member of our Public Works team and this selection shows how much others value her engineering knowledge and leadership,” Snohomish County Public Works Director Steve Thomsen said. “She has the ability to listen and collaborate along with being a strong leader. That will only make the APWA Board that much more effective.”

Fahning says that in engineering it is important to build a strong team and she is looking forward to being a part of the APWA Board. She hopes to learn from the experience and bring that knowledge back to Snohomish County. She also wants to use her commitment to mentoring to help the next generation of engineering leaders through the APWA.

“I have a passion for bringing people together and that is what APWA does,” Fahning said. “It provides a valuable network for Public Works employees and industry professionals from across the state. Members can use its numerous resources to share information that will improve their communities, leverage a network of professionals and learn about new products and professional development. I am excited to be a part of that.”

Within Snohomish County, Fahning oversees the right of way, design, survey, geotech and construction teams with an annual budget of about \$40 million.

She was presented with the 2016 President’s Award from the Washington State Association of County Engineers and presented “Partnering to Rebuild after the Oso Landslide” during the APWA Spring 2016 Conference.

Fahning has also worked for the Washington State Department of Transportation in construction and design, managing an office with projects totaling \$100 million, and served on the Association of General Contractors of Washington Board from 2014-2016.

About Snohomish County Public Works

The Snohomish County Public Works Department constructs and maintains county roads; controls and manages surface water quantity, quality, and fish habitats; and oversees the recycling and disposal of solid waste. The department's main office is located at 3000 Rockefeller Ave., Everett, WA 98201. For more information about Snohomish County Public Works, visit www.snohomishcountywa.gov/PublicWorks.

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