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Columbia Section Meeting

Date: December 12th, 2007

Place: Shilo Inn, George Washington Way, Richland

Meal: Buffet (Chef's choice) \$15 per person.
Please pay cash or check to treasurer at the meeting.

Topic: I-90 Snoqualmie East Project - WSDOT

Speaker: Scott Golbek, PE – Assistant Project Engineer

Lunch will start at 11:30, and the presentation will begin at 12:00.

RSVP: Jay Marlow, JMarlow@CI.RICHLAND.WA.US or
509-942-7540 by December 11th, 2007.

President's Remarks:

Dear Members:

As incoming president, I want to thank our officers from last year for their fine service: Paul Harmsen (President), Alan Evans (Vice President) and Jay Marlow (Secretary/Treasurer).

Paul is continuing his service as Past-President and Jay is continuing his service as Vice President. We welcome Paul Smith as Secretary/ Treasurer. I also want to thank Julie Nelson for her continuing efforts as our Newsletter Editor and Don Kurkjian as our Webmaster.

Our officers attended last month's meeting in Walla Walla. We had the opportunities to renew many old ASCE acquaintances. For you old timers, you may recall that we alternated monthly meetings between here and Walla Walla in times past.

This is the time of year that the different technical societies can nominate one of their members as Tri-Cities Engineer of the Year. This is an annual event sponsored by the Washington Society for Professional Engineers (WSPE). The general requirements are: (1) professional contributions during the 2007 calendar year and (2) community service. Our section has been quite successful in the past eight years; our nominees won in year 2000 and again in 2002. Also our nominee in 2001 was one of the three finalists. If you have any nominees in mind, please call me at 372-7206 or e-mail me at kinsel@tricity.wsu.edu.

President's Remarks (cont.):

Please plan to attend our December monthly meeting at the Shilo Inn on December 12th. Our speaker will be Scott Golbek from WSDOT who will talk about the I-90 East Project.

William C. (Bill) Kinsel, PhD
President, ASCE Columbia Section

SPEAKER:

**Scott Golbek, PE
Assistant Project Engineer
WSDOT South Central Region**

Scott Golbek graduated from the Oregon Institute of Technology with a Bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering in 1991. He began his career with Washington State Department of Transportation in Seattle in 1991. He has served in a variety of positions for the Department in Planning, Design, and Construction offices. He is currently the Assistant Project Engineer for the I-90 Snoqualmie Pass East Project.

TOPIC:

I-90 Snoqualmie Pass East Project

The I-90 Snoqualmie Pass East Project corridor is located in Kittitas County, Washington, along a 15-mile stretch of Interstate 90 that passes through the Wenatchee National Forest. The corridor begins on the eastern side of Snoqualmie pass near Hyak and ends near Easton. The purpose of this project is to meet projected traffic demands, improve public safety and enhance wildlife connectivity along this 15-mile stretch of I-90.



