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Columbia Section Meeting – June 21st, 2006

Date: June 21st, 2006

Place: Shilo Inn, George Washington Way, Richland

Meal: Buffet (Chef's choice)

Topic: Licensing, legislation, ethics, continuing education, benefits, mentoring, conferences and other related topics.

Speaker: Bob Turner, Region 8 Governor ASCE

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

RSVP: Darral Moore, dsm@jub.com or 509-783-2144 by June 20th, 2005.

President's Message

Thanks for all who attended our last luncheon. Mr. Wells and Mr. Smith gave great insight into secondary water systems. The western states are having growing pains that will require a larger demand for irrigation and potable water systems. But don't worry; civil engineers will continue to innovate new ideas to meet the public demand.

Don't miss out on the upcoming LIGO tour to be held on June 10th at 1:30 pm. This is a must see! See the bulletin inside the newsletter for more information.

Also, we have one final meeting before our summer break. Mr. Bob Turner, Region 8 Governor ASCE, will be coming to discuss licensing, legislation, ethics, continuing education, benefits, mentoring, conferences and other related topics to practicing professional engineer. ASCE is here to help the professional engineer excel and to promote our profession. So bring your questions and/or ideas. The meeting will be held on June 21 at 11:30 to 1:00.

After the presentation, we will hold a vote for the upcoming 2006-2007 Columbia Section Board Members. So, please come and congratulate the 2006-2007 board members.

A few door prizes will be given out at the meeting. Please bring a business card and drop it in the jar at the meeting. No business card, no chance for door prize. Hope to see everyone there.

Finally, I want to personally thank all those involved in helping the Columbia Section during this past year.

Sincerely, Darral



ASCE Columbia Section LIGO, Hanford Tour

Address: Hanford Site

Date: June 10, 2006 (Saturday)

Time: Tour starts at 1:30 PM

Fee: Free

NOTE: There is a public tour at the same time. We will tag along with the public tour. After the tour, the host will spend some time with the ASCE group to answer questions on the civil/structural engineering aspects.

Directions:

Stevens Drive route to LIGO from the Tri-Cities

Simply stay on George Washington Way and pass all the way through Richland. In north Richland you will see the campuses of Hanford High School and WSU-Tri-Cities, then you will pass by the buildings of Pacific Northwest National Lab and several Hanford contractors. As you leave the tree-lined PNNL site, the road will veer somewhat to the left. You will soon encounter a "T" intersection. The road passing in front of you is Stevens Drive. Turn right onto Stevens. Now you will drive 10.2 miles, past Hanford facilities, past the FFTF site and past Energy Northwest facilities. At about 10 miles you will see signs pointing left to Route 10 and SR 240. You will turn left onto Route 10 (you'll actually have to turn left twice, once off of Stevens and once off a tiny arm that connects Stevens to 10). If you miss the turn for Route 10 you will soon be at the Hanford security gate. Tell the officer that you're looking for LIGO and he or she will direct you back to route 10. Once on Route 10, drive 1.6 miles and turn right at the LIGO sign.

240 Bypass/Vantage Highway Route to LIGO from the Tri-Cities

As you proceed northwest on the 240 bypass around Richland, you will cross intersections at Swift Blvd, Van Geisen St and the Richland Airport. The next stoplight after the airport will show signs for SR 240W, Vantage and Yakima. From the intersection you will drive 8.2 miles west on SR 240 where you will see a yellow 4-way intersection sign that shows the name "Horn Road" (Horn Road is also Route 10). After another few yards a green sign will point straight towards Yakima/Vantage and left towards Benton City on SR 225. DON'T TURN LEFT! Turn right onto Horn Road/Route 10. Drive 5 miles north on Route 10 and you will see the LIGO sign on your left. Turn into our entry drive.