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CRABOARD WELCOMES

NEW BOARD MEMBER

The CRABoard welcomes Chelan County Engineer Eric Pierson, PE to the Board.



Chelan County Engineer Eric Pierson, PE, was appointed to the CRABoard to fill the vacant seat left by Mark Storey and recently re-appointed for another full 3-year term. After graduating from Washington State University, Eric worked for WSDOT for 11 years filling various positions in delivering their Design and Construction program at the North Central Region. He joined Chelan County in 2011 as the Assistant Director and moved into his current position as Director/County Engineer in 2015. He is a past President of WSACE, a current representative on the County Design Standards Committee, and a member of the Infrastructure Subcommittee for the Autonomous Vehicle Workgroup.

New County Engineer Appointments

Dean Cornelison, P.E. was appointed Whitman County Engineer and started in that role on March 1st. Dean was appointed to the county engineer position after the previous county engineer, Mark Storey, P.E., was promoted to Public Works Director for Whitman County.

Grace Barnkow, P.E. was appointed Pacific County Engineer and began in her role on March 28th.

Melissa McFadden, P.E. was appointed Pierce County Engineer on March 21, 2022.

Melissa was previously Pierce County's Assistant County Engineer – Storm Water Manager.

Brian Vincent, P.E. was appointed Clark County Engineer effective May 20 after having served previously as interim county engineer.

CRAB Staffing Changes

Liana Roberson (GIS Senior Specialist) started at CRAB on May 2nd working in the GIS Team with GIS Manager Cameron Cole. James Rea (Software Engineer) joined CRAB on May 9th and has taken over the position vacated by Nolen Young. Congratulations to them both and welcome to the CRAB Family!

APRIL 2022 CRABOARD MEETING

On April 21-22, 2022, the CRABoard held its quarterly board meeting.

Information pertaining to past and future meetings can be found on the [CRAB Board website](https://www.crab.wa.gov/about-us/county-road-administration-board/board-meetings), along with prior Meeting Minutes and Board Reports, at:

<https://www.crab.wa.gov/about-us/county-road-administration-board/board-meetings>

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APRIL 2022 CRABOARD MEETING UPDATES

CRABoard Actions (April 2022)

The CRABoard approved Resolution 2022-002 Apportion Rural Arterial Trust Account (RATA) funds to regions, which authorized that the accrued amount of \$5,450,950 deposited to the RATA for January, February, and March 2022, be apportioned to the regions by the established 2021-2023 biennium regional percentages after setting aside \$134,062 for administration.

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The CRABoard approved Resolution 2022-003 to Approve 2021-2023 RAP Projects and Allocate 100% of Estimated 2021-2023 RATA Revenue, which allocates 100% of the estimated 2021-2023 fuel tax revenue and turned-back funds for a total of \$50,711,800 to the listed projects in the five regions.

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The CRABoard approved Resolution 2022-004 to Approve Annual Certification of Good Practices on behalf of all 39 counties for the calendar year 2021. As required by RCW 36.78.090, the County Road Administration Board submitted a letter to the State Treasurer regarding this annual certification.

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Office of the County Engineer Vacancies/Changes

- Grant County appointed Susan Kovich, PE to the position of interim County Engineer.
- Clark County appointed Jennifer Reynolds as interim County Engineer (through October 19, 2022) since Robert Klug, PE resigned as County Engineer.
- Pacific County appointed Grace Barnkow, PE as County Engineer (effective March 28, 2022), and David Anderson was hired as the new Public Works Director.
- Pend Oreille County appointed Don Ramsey as interim County Engineer (through October 2022) after Mary Jensen, PE resigned.

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County Audit Review

Mr. Pohle shared the county audit reviews, which included 17 financial audits, 13 accountability audits, and zero Fraud or Performance audits. In the last quarter, there were 12 findings within the financial audits and 3 within the accountability audit. Seven (7) Management Letters were issued to the counties. Klickitat County received a management letter regarding ER&R rates. The SAO thought the county was not reviewing the rates annually with the BOCC but, the county could, and did, prove otherwise. Garfield County hadn't updated the federal procurement thresholds in the county policy. county-wide issue. not necessarily just county road.

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	Number	Findings	Management Letters	County Road or ER&R	CRAB Follow-Up Needed
<i>Financial</i>	17	12	7 Klickitat Garfield	Yes	Yes
<i>Accountability</i>	13	3	3	No	No
<i>Fraud</i>	0	0	0	No	No
<i>Performance</i>	0	0	0	No	No

TRAININGS

CRAB TRAINING

CRAB has held two County Engineer Training classes in 2022, February 8-10 and May 3-5. Registration is now open for the next CE Training scheduled for December 6-8, 2022. Stay tuned for additional training classes for the remainder of 2022 to be announced soon. You can register on the CRAB website at <https://www.crab.wa.gov/engineering/resources/county-engineer-training>. Staff Contact: Derek Pohle, P.E., derek.pohle@crab.wa.gov

DIVISION REPORTS

INFORMATION SERVICES UPDATE

GIS-MO UPDATE -

The Schema Update Project came to a close! The schema updates helped update our data modeling in GIS-Mo. We made significant updates to road log events (e.g., Thru Lane, Shoulder, etc.) and our data quality (e.g., domain values, required fields, data types, etc.). These changes are critical to our road log and asset management activities and will have an immediate impact on data entry, reports, road log certification, and our Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax distribution formula.



IT Staffing Changes

In addition to welcoming Liana Roberson and James Rea to their new roles in CRAB's IT department, we also had one staff departure. Nolen Young, who started his IT career with CRAB after graduating from Washington State University, moved onto the private sector in early April. We wish Nolen the best of luck as he takes on this new opportunity!

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NEED HELP?

In order for CRAB to best serve you, please put in a request to the Help Desk so the appropriate CRAB staff member receives your question and can follow up.
(webpage: <https://www.apps.crab.wa.gov/helpdesk>)



Pinnacle Series LMS

CRAB continues to add help documents and videos in support of VUEWorks and Road and Highways and posted recorded sessions of most of the Road Design Conference content.

2022 1st quarter performance:

- The platform has 800 registered users and has had 160 unique active logins during the period.
- Users have accessed 1,046 individual assets and 239 learning path courses.
- Of the assets accessed, 797 were CRAB's custom content in support of GIS-Mo, RAP Online, CARS and Sincpac. This represents 62% of all content consumed in this quarter.
- Using imputed averages for assets and courses, CRAB provided approximately 431 person-hours of training.
- This quarter saw a substantial increase in user access and content consumed, increasing person-hours of training by nearly 250%. Average daily user access is up to 16 persons per day.

2022 Road Design Conference

- CRAB's Road Design Conference was successfully completed! 73 county staff attended, representing 29 counties.
- 20 individual sessions were presented by speakers, sponsors, and vendors for a total of 1,460 person-hours of training.
- Of the 73 attendees, approximately 27% provided feedback through our conference surveys.



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UPCOMING KEY EVENTS / DATES

WSACE Annual Conference

- The Washington State Association of County Engineers (WSACE) will be holding its 2022 Annual Conference from **June 7 - 9** at Sun Mountain Lodge in Winthrop, WA.

NEXT CRABOARD MEETING

The CRABoard's next meeting will be held in person at the CRAB office (in Olympia) on July 28-29, 2022. A Zoom virtual option will be provided as well. Meeting agendas are posted at least five days prior to the Board meeting. Current materials as well as past agendas, meeting minutes and board packets can be found at: <https://www.crab.wa.gov/about-us/county-road-administration-board/board-meetings>

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