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To: Environmental Quality Commission

From: Richard Whitman, Director

Subject: Item K: Employee Recognition
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Purpose of item DEQ and the commission will recognize DEQ employees nominated by their colleagues as Ambassadors for Public Service, the annual State of Oregon award for public service, and for a federal public service award.

Background Every year, DEQ joins with other agencies across the nation to celebrate [Public Service Recognition Week](#). Since 1985, Public Service Recognition Week is celebrated the first week of May to honor the people who serve our nation as federal, tribal, state, county, and local government employees.

Each year, the Oregon Department of Administrative Services requests nominations of employees that their agencies consider Ambassadors of Public Service. This year, DAS chose “Courage” as the theme for Public Service Recognition Week, and DEQ is proud to honor the employees, listed below, who were recognized by their colleagues as exemplary for their courage, resiliency and as true ambassadors of the spirit of public service.

- Angel Gillette
- Patty Isaak
- Mike Kennedy
- Ramesh Manickam
- Mike Mulvey
- Jeff Navarro

This year, a DEQ employee was honored with a federal Public Service Recognition Week Interagency Excellent Team Award.

- Aaron Borisenko

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