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COUNTY REORGANIZATION WILL LEAD TO EFFICIENCIES

WELD COUNTY, CO – During Monday morning’s Board of County Commissioners meeting, three department-head appointments were announced and passed unanimously by resolution.

Trevor Jiricek, formerly the Director of Planning Services, will move into the position of Director of General Services while maintaining his role as the Director of the Environmental Health Services, a Division of the Department of Public Health and Environment. Tom Parko, planning manager with the county, will take over Jiricek’s previous position as the Director of the Planning Services. Monica Daniels-Mika, the county’s Director of Finance and Administration, will add Clerk to the Board, a position which oversees and maintains the records of the Board of County Commissioners, to her list of responsibilities as well.

“This reorganization allows us to better consolidate current county functions while creating efficiencies that will help streamline county government,” said Commissioner Chairman Sean Conway.

Jiricek began working for Weld County in 1991, has a Bachelor’s Degree in Biology and a Master’s Degree in Earth Science – both from the University of Northern Colorado. He has served as the Director of Environmental Health since 2000, and in 2009, he was also named Director of Planning. Jiricek has served on several boards through his position with the county including the Colorado Pollution Prevention Advisory Board (from 2004-2008) and the Colorado State University Environmental Health Program Advisory Committee (2009). Jiricek’s new responsibilities as Director of General Services will include the management of the Department of Purchasing, the Coroner’s Office, Justice Services, Solid Waste and Special Projects. He will also coordinate with the Greeley Weld County Airport.

Parko has worked for Weld County for three years and has a Bachelor’s Degree in Economics and Political Science from Western State College. He later earned his Master’s Degree in Regional Planning from the University of Colorado at Denver. Prior to his career with Weld County, Parko worked as the Planning Director for the City of Fort Lupton and as the Community Development Director for the Town of Elizabeth in Elbert County, CO. Before attending college, Parko served in the U.S. Navy as a Quartermaster on USS O’Brien; a Destroyer stationed out of Yokosuka, Japan and he served in Operation Desert Watch in 1993 while stationed in Bahrain.

Daniels-Mika has been with Weld County since 1992 and currently serves as the Director of Finance and Administration. She began her career with the county Planning Department and was later named the Director of Planning Services. She has a dual Bachelor’s degree in Public Administration and Political Science and a Master’s Degree in Science as well as a Master’s degree in Regional and Community Planning – both from Kansas State University. Daniels-Mika is also a Harvard Executive Management Fellow and serves on numerous boards including membership on the executive committee for Leadership Weld County and Regional Representative for Colorado County and City Administrators.

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