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To: Environmental Quality Commission

From: Leah Feldon, Director

Subject: Agenda item K, Informational item: Recognition of DEQ's Ambassadors of Public Service
May 8-9, 2025, EQC meeting

Purpose of item DEQ and the commission will have an opportunity to recognize DEQ employees nominated by their colleagues as Ambassadors of Public Service, the annual State of Oregon award for public service.

Background DEQ joins other agencies nationwide to celebrate [Public Service Recognition Week](#) every year. Since 1985, it has been celebrated the first week of May to honor the people who serve our nation as Tribal, federal, state, county and local government employees.

As part of this event, the Oregon Department of Administrative Services requests nominations of employees that their agencies consider Ambassadors of Public Service. This year, DAS chose "Empowering Innovation" as the theme for Public Service Recognition Week. DEQ is proud to honor the employees listed below, who their colleagues recognized as exemplary for their dedication to innovation and as true ambassadors of the spirit of public service.

- Martina Frey
- Mitch Frister
- Amanda Ingmire
- Jessica Joye
- Ania Loyd
- Kara Master
- Sarah Rockwell
- Erica Timm

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