

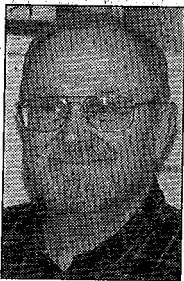
County Public Works Director Suko moving on

After five years in Tillamook post, he'll work as an engineer for city in Arizona

TILLAMOOK — County Public Works Director Aaron Suko has resigned.

Suko, who held the post for five years, said he is moving to Marana, Ariz., near Tucson, where he will work as an engineer in the city's public works department.

His last day on the job here is July 7.



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"I've always wanted to work in Arizona," said Suko, noting that he earned a master's degree in facilities engineering at Arizona State University in Tempe.

Prior to his service with the county, Suko worked for three years for the engineering firm

of HLB Associates in Manzanita. He also worked for Army Public Works at Fort Lewis, Wash.

In a letter to the county commissioners, Suko thanked them and the people of Tillamook County for the opportunity to serve as Public Works director.

He also thanked the department staff, whom he described as "an outstanding and dedicated group of people."

County Commissioner Mark Labhart said Engineering Project Supervisor Pat Oakes will head the department on an interim basis after Suko's departure.

"We want to move on finding a replacement as quickly as possible," Labhart said. "Hopefully we'll have input from the Road Advisory Committee in the the selection process."