

# Ed Grimes honored as Employee of Month for Tillamook County

TILLAMOOK — County commissioners honored Ed Grimes of the Public Works Department as the county's Employee of the Month at their meeting last week.

According to a statement read by Commissioner Tim Josi, Grimes, who is the road district supervisor for Central County, worked with the department off and on in different positions since 1971, becoming a full-time employee in 1986.

"Ed is being recognized because of a fellow employee's commendation that he always has a great attitude," Josi read. "Ed goes the extra mile every day to serve the public. He, along with other Public Works employees, works hard during all of the storms to get the county roads open and passable. Ed is a great representative, not only of Public Works, but of the county, as well."

One member of the public, Gus Meyer, who regularly attends County Commission meetings, later sent Public Works Director Liane Welch an e-mail, in which he further praised Grimes' service on the job.

Meyer wrote, "Traveling east on Trask River Road Feb. 15, during a storm, I came upon a



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landslide blocking the whole of the westbound lane at approximately Milepost 7.5."

He said his friends informed Grimes of the landslide, and, following the visit, Meyer was headed down Trask River Road again "and behold, Ed Grimes had placed a barricade, flashing yellow lights and posted signs warning of the single-lane road ahead, to my relief." As Meyer put it, "This clearly illustrates safety consideration and devotion of the Public Works Road Department employees during the dismal dark of night, such as Ed Grimes."