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Douglas MacDougal joins DOGAMI Governing Board

Portland, Oregon: Douglas W. MacDougal has been appointed by Governor Ted Kulongoski and confirmed by the State Senate to serve a 4 year term with the Governing Board of The Oregon Department of Geology & Mineral Industries (DOGAMI).

Mr. MacDougal is an attorney with Schwabe Williamson & Wyatt in Portland, Oregon. He has represented a variety of clients in the Northwest and elsewhere in water rights and natural resource policy issues, and has been engaged throughout his career in trying to bring the best available science to the resolution of natural resource and regulatory problems.

MacDougal also teaches mathematics and astronomy courses for the Saturday Academy in Portland, and is an adjunct professor in the Department of Physics at Portland State University. He holds a B.S. degree in mathematics from the University of Vermont and a J.D. degree with honors from Washington & Lee University School of Law.

Speaking for the Board, State Geologist and Agency Director Vicki McConnell said, “It is a pleasure to welcome Mr. MacDougal to the DOGAMI Governing Board. His passion for science education and outreach will help guide the department efforts in these critical tasks throughout Oregon.”

MacDougal joins the five person DOGAMI Governing Board and will represent northwest Oregon, whose other members include Larry Givens of Milton-Freewater (Chair), Steve Macnab of Bend (Vice-Chair), Lisa Phipps, Tillamook, and R. Charles Vars of Corvallis.

The next DOGAMI Governing Board meeting will be Friday, March 26, 2010, 8:30 AM at the Portland State Office Building, Suite 965, Portland, OR. The agenda includes a discussion of DOGAMI’s participation in the earthquake science, response, and outreach activities related to the recent Haitian and Chilean earthquakes. The agenda can be found online at: http://www.oregongeology.org

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