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Oregon State's Ashford joins DOGAMI Governing Board

Dr. Scott Ashford, dean of Oregon State University's College of Engineering, will join the five-member board

PORTLAND, Ore. – Scott Ashford has been appointed by Governor Kate Brown and confirmed by the Oregon State Senate to serve a four-year term on the Governing Board of the Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI).

Ashford is the dean of Oregon State University's College of Engineering. He earned his B.S. in civil engineering from Oregon State, and M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in civil engineering from the University of California, Berkeley. After his graduation from Oregon State, he worked in private industry for seven years before earning his Ph.D. He began his academic career at the Asian Institute of Technology in Thailand, then moved to the University of California, San Diego. In 2007, he became the head of the School of Civil and Construction Engineering at Oregon State.

Ashford's research focuses on enhancing public safety and reducing potential economic loss worldwide from earthquake and coastal hazards through cross-disciplinary research. Most recently, his research aims to improve the resilience of Pacific Northwest lifeline systems to a Cascadia Subduction Zone earthquake and tsunami.

The DOGAMI Governing Board sets policy and oversees general operations, and adopts a strategic plan every six years to guide DOGAMI's mission and objectives. The Board meets quarterly at sites around the state. As active members of their communities, board members provide an important connection between Oregonians and DOGAMI's mission of providing earth science information and regulation to make Oregon safe and prosperous.