

**APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT
TO KITTITAS COUNTY BOARDS & COMMISSIONS**

Citizen boards and commissions are critical to the effective functioning of County government. We appreciate your interest in wishing to serve Kittitas County and ask that you complete this brief application. If you wish, please feel free to attach a fact sheet or resume to this application. This application form is considered a public document. **PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY.**

BOARDS OR COMMISSIONS FOR WHICH YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE CONSIDERED:

- Planning Commission
- _____
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Education: (High school, name and location of college or university, year graduated, and degree):
Jeb Stuart H.S., Falls Church, Virginia 1970
Virginia Tech, B.S. in Forest and Wildlife Management 1974
Virginia Tech Masters of Urban and Regional Planning 1976
Virginia Tech Ph.D. Environmental Design and Planning 2007

Current Employment: (job title, employer, employment date, contact, phone):
Retired 2015 --- I teach introduction and advanced planning courses in the CWU Geography Dept. as non-tenured faculty by request and I also own and manage the Badger Pocket Christmas Tree Farm which is as much a hobby as a business. See attached resume for complete history of career....

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Special reasons for wishing to serve on the Board or Commission:

I have had a 45 year career in land-use planning. My area of specialization has been small towns and rural resource based counties. The county is entering a critical stage of public policy consideration as regards its comprehensive plan update. I believe my experience and perspective on the limitations and/or value of certain growth management tools as regards supporting rural economies and balancing community values may be just one more resource available during your difficult deliberations.

What advisory panels, Boards/Commissions have you previously served on?

Richland, Wa. Planning Commission; Washington State Environmental Policy Commission; Board member of the Planning Association of Washington; Helen Homebuilders Association Board of Directors, Washington Forsest Products Association.... See resume for other affiliations.

Please list any training or experience you have that would be beneficial to serving on the Board or Commission: 45 years as a professional planner. Three related degrees. Please see attached resume.

Are you available to attend board meetings during the day or evening M-F? Yes No
If no, please explain:

Please furnish two references who could speak to your qualifications for the desired appointment:

- Name: Robert Hansen Phone: (H) _____ (W) (509) 962-7046
Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
- Name: Dr. John Bowen Phone: (H) _____ (W) (509) 963-1188
Address: CWU- GEOGRAPHY CHAIR City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Your application will be placed with others interested in serving on the same board or commission. When a vacancy occurs on the Board/Commission in which you have indicated an interest, the Board of County Commissioners may desire to conduct an interview.

YOUR SIGNATURE: [Signature] Date: 3/17/2017

Please return completed form to: **Board of Kittitas County Commissioners**
205 W. 5th, Room 108
Ellensburg, WA 98926
509.962.7508 FAX: 509.962.7679

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EDUCATION

- Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, Va.* **2007**
Ph.D. Environmental Design and Planning
Dissertation: "A Behavioral Theory of Planning"
Concentration: The application of behavioral/economic incentives in physical planning, planning in rural settings, natural resource planning, small city/village planning.
- Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, Va.* **1976**
Masters of Urban and Regional Planning
Thesis: "Eastern National Forest Dispersed Land Ownership Patterns and their Implication in the Forest Service Planning Process"
Concentration: Physical and Environmental Planning, Site Design
- Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, Va.* **1974**
B.S. Forestry and Wildlife Management
Concentration: Hydrology, Forest Ecology

AWARDS AND PROFESSIONAL DISTINCTIONS

- Advisor: President's Commission on Outdoor Recreation
- Co-Chairman: Washington State Environmental Policy Commission
- U.S. Department of Energy Policy Service Award
- Montana Wildlife Federation Conservation Award
- Association of Washington Business Award of Excellence
- Montana Building Industry Association Outstanding Service Award
- Board Member: Washington Association of Planners
- Board Member: City of Richland, Washington - Planning Commission
- Former City and County Planning Director.
- Author: *Behavior-Based Land Planning; Incentive Based Strategies*, Sustainable Land Dev. International, 2009

PROFESSIONAL PROFILE SUMMARY

- PLANNING** – Current and advanced planning functions, growth management, planning techniques for natural resource lands and rural communities, site design, ordinance development and administration. **40 years**
- PROFESSOR-IN-PRACTICE** – Environmental and Land Use Policy, site design studios, planning practice, growth management, capstone seminars, 5 study abroad programs, research methods, and planning theory. Research grants. **8 years**
- GOVERNMENTAL AND LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS** – Local, state, and federal legislative affairs. Bill drafting, lobbying, agency affairs, and commission and committee representation. Growth management, land planning, development and energy codes, and natural resource issues. **16 legislative sessions**
- ADMINISTRATION** – Management of planning agencies, housing/natural resource trade associations, regional economic development districts, and planning consulting firms. **19 years**
- TRAIL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING** – Regional trail system development for ecotourism and rural community support. Appalachian Trail, Blue Mountains trail network, extensive European and U.K. system experience.

RELATED EXPERIENCE

Columbia Development Authority, Boardman, OR,

Executive Director

2009 – Retired 2015

Served as the Executive Director of the Columbia Development Authority overseeing the planning, transfer, and redevelopment of a 17,000 acres Army chemical weapons depot. Redevelopment planning involved the creation of a 6,000 acre wildlife refuge with associated 1,500 acre commercial solar energy park, 7,500 acre National Guard training base, and 3,500 acre industrial park. The Columbia Development Authority is an intergovernmental consortium comprised of Morrow County, OR; Umatilla County OR; Port of Morrow; Port of Umatilla, and the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation.

Confluence Planning Services: Helena MT, Blacksburg VA, Baker City OR, Richland WA

Owner

1988 - 2010

Land planning, urban design, property development, and planning/development related legislative affairs services to both private and public sector clients. Served under contract as the circuit riding planning director for four Oregon and Montana jurisdictions. Served for 10 years as the executive director of the Montana Building Industry Association. As a private contracting firm served as the Director of Community Development for Baker City, Oregon. Legislative clients included Weyerhaeuser, Boeing, Washington Assn. of Business, Montana Wildlife Federation, counties, cities, and various developer interests in Montana, Washington, Oregon, and Virginia.

Virginia Tech, College of Architecture, Blacksburg, VA

Professor-in-Practice

2001 - 2008

Instructor in graduate and undergraduate coursework including Environmental Planning and Policy, Site Design and Environmental Planning Studios, Growth Management, Capstone Seminars, Planning Practice, Research Methods, and five study abroad classes (England Treks of 100 to 200 miles). Research grants – U.S. Forest Service, Virginia Dept. of Forestry, HUD (managing exurban development, behavioral incentives in land-use practice).

Seattle Master Builders Association, Seattle WA

Executive Director

1986 - 1988

Served as the chief administrator for a regional homebuilder trade association of 1,400 firms. Administered the industry's federal, state, and local governmental affairs program largely focused on issues of infrastructure, planning, growth management, and codes. Staff of 20 – annual combined program budget of \$7 million.

Washington Forest Protection Association, Olympia, WA

Director of Land-Use Programs

1981-1985

Served as a local government and state legislative specialist in land-use planning related issues for a 110 year old forest products trade association representing 8 million acres of commercial forest and urban development property. Issues of forest land preservation, urban/forest interface conflict management, visual management of harvesting practices, shorelines protection, and rural community development were the primary focus. Spearheaded the adoption of model comprehensive plan and zoning provisions in 22 counties. Represented the industry in legislative affairs both at the state and national level.

Thurston County/Olympia Regional Planning Commission, Olympia, WA

Manager – Current Planning Division

1978-1981

Administered the current planning program for a county/city planning office including zoning, subdivision and site plan review, shorelines management, and environmental review. Annual project caseload averaged 300 projects.

Regional Planner

Administered a \$3 million river recreation enhancement program across 4 counties (French Broad River) in Western NC. Included the planning, land acquisition and development of seven park facilities and a regional environmental education center associated with the Blue Ridge Parkway.

USDA Forest Service

Forest Planner

Served in the Washington D.C. office of the USDA Forest Service and on the Jefferson National Forest as a Co-op student over three summers and part-time during two academic years. Employed in a forest planning and fire-fighting capacity while obtaining my undergraduate and graduate degrees. I was also utilized by the Forest Service as a legislative intern in the development and passage of the Resources Planning Act of 1974.

PROJECT AND PLAN EXAMPLES

Umatilla Army Chemical Depot Redevelopment Plan	Malheur Co. Oregon Subdivision Ord.
Baker City, OR Community Visioning Project	Olympia WA. Main Street Program
Court Street Plaza Urban Design, Baker City, OR	Jefferson Co. Montana Design Standards
Baker City, OR - Development Code	Gallatin Center, Bozeman Mt.
Baker City, OR - Sign Code	Blue Ridge, Helena Mt.
Land-of-Sky Regional Land Use Plan, Asheville, N.C.	NannyCatch Commons, Blacksburg, VA
French Broad River Management Plan (TVA)	Thurston Co. Shorelines Management pl.
Madison County, N.C. Capital Facilities Plan	Wheat Montana Industrial Site Design
Land-of-Sky, Asheville N.C. Capital Facilities Plan	Jefferson Co. Montana Comp. Plan
Malheur County, OR. Comprehensive Plan	Jefferson Co. Montana Design Standards
Ontario, OR Comprehensive Plan	Eagle Ridge EIS, Island Co. WA.
Vale, OR Comprehensive Plan	Beaverhead Co. Mt. Comprehensive Plan

PUBLICATIONS

- *Behavior-Based Land Use Planning*: Sustainable Land Development International, 2009
- "The Tragedy of the Commons Revisited", Northwest Land Use Review
- "Sustainable Land Development Practices", U.S.D.A. Forest Service research grant, 2007
- "Fee Access Wildlife and Recreation Management On Private Lands – A Guide for Washington"
- "An Analysis of Forest Land Zoning Districts", WFPA
- "Strip-mine Rehabilitation Cost Model", U.S. Bureau of Mines.
- "Special Purpose Taxing Districts; A Manual for Forestland Owners," WFPA.

LEGISLATIVE ACHIEVEMENTS AS A PRINCIPAL OR LEAD LOBBYIST

Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area (Federal) - 1986
Montana Contractor Registration Act - 1997
Washington State Regulatory Reform Act - 1995
Washington State Growth Management Reform Act (SHB1724) - 1995
Washington State Environmental Policy Act - 1984
Montana Habitat Acquisition Act.-1988
Amendments to the Washington State enabling planning statues.1981 - 1995
Washington State Urban Growth Areas Act (SB 1305) - 1995
Washington State Air Operating Permits and SEPA Review Amendments - (HB1220).
Washington State Lender Environmental Liability Act (HB1856) - 1995
Montana Bow Hunter Safety Education Act - 1988
Montana Residential Construction Energy Conservation Act – 1991
The Montana Upland Bird Conservation Fund. 1988
The Washington State Brown Fields Industrial Liability Act (SB 5019) 1995