



## Press Release

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### **New Tri-Cities Deputy Director Reports to Work**

Pasco, WA - The Port of Pasco Tri-Cities Airport welcomes Donald "Buck" Taft as the new Airport Deputy Director. Mr. Taft joined the Airport on August 29, 2011.

Buck comes from McAllen, Texas where he was the Operations and Maintenance Manager with the McAllen-Miller International Airport.

"After an extensive nation-wide search for a new deputy director, I am very pleased that Mr. Taft accepted the position," said Ron Foraker, Director of the Tri-Cities Airport. "His more than ten years of experience in the aviation industry, evidenced by his professional successes running the daily operations and maintenance of the McAllen Airport during the last three years, will bring positive leadership and valued experience to assist in the projected growth and development at the Tri-Cities Airport."

Buck holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Aviation Management from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale. He has worked in airport operations at the Abraham Lincoln Capitol Airport, Ft. Lauderdale International Airport, and most recently the McAllen-Miller International Airport. He is an instrument rated private pilot, Certified Member with the American Association of Airport Executives (AAAE), and was serving on the Board of Directors with the South Central Chapter of AAEE.