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Hiring of Assistant County Manager

Wayne County, NC- County Manager George Wood announced today the hiring of Mr. Craig Honeycutt as the Assistant County Manager. The position had been open for several months following Mr. Tommy Burns' accepting the Carteret County Manager position. Mr. Honeycutt is currently the County Manager for Alamance County, North Carolina.

Mr. Honeycutt has a BA in Public Administration from UNC Pembroke and a Masters in Public Affairs from Western Carolina University. He has been the County Manager of Alamance County since April 2009. Prior to that, he was the City Manager of Laurinburg from August 2005 to April 2009. Prior to that, he was the Town Manager of Fletcher from July 1993 to August 2005. He is an ICMA-credentialed Manager and is currently the President of the NC City and County Management Association. In that role, he also serves on the NC Association of County Commissioners Board of Directors.

Mr. Wood stated: "We are extremely pleased to have Craig join our senior management staff in Wayne County. He has over 23 years of North Carolina local government management experience as well as a solid academic background. He is highly regarded by his management peers in North Carolina, who have selected him to be on the Board of Directors, then various officer positions in the NC City and County Management Association. I firmly believe he will do an outstanding job for Wayne County."

Mr. Honeycutt is looking forward to his new assignment. He commented: "I appreciate the opportunity to come to Wayne County. It's like coming home, as I was born in Clinton and raised in Warsaw. I am excited to work with Mr. Wood, who is one of the most respected managers in our state. The more I have been relearning the community and the County's plans, the more I am impressed."

Mr. Honeycutt will begin work on March 13th.

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