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PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR RECEIVED 2014 TOP TEN PUBLIC WORKS LEADER OF THE YEAR AWARD

HAYWARD, CA – **Daniel Woldesenbet, Ph.D., Director of the Alameda County Public Works Agency**, was presented with the “2014 Top Ten Public Works Leader of the Year” by the American Public Works Association (APWA) at this week’s Board of Supervisors meeting. This annual “Top Ten Public Works Leader” award is internationally recognized in the profession and carries with it a level of prestige as the highest individual award given by APWA. “Dr. Woldesenbet’s exemplary contributions to Public Works, his outstanding contributions to the fields of public administration/management and engineering, and his creativity, acute insights, and strategic thinking made him the obvious choice to be selected for this award,” said **Cora Jackson-Fossett, APWA Director-at-Large**.

Supervisor Scott Haggerty, Alameda County Board of Supervisors, presented Dr. Woldesenbet with a special Commendation recognizing his exemplary contributions to public works, his outstanding contributions to the fields of public administration/management and engineering, and unwavering commitment to employee empowerment and excellence. Supervisor Haggerty noted Daniel’s successful implementation of the innovative, versatile and user-friendly Smart Phone (Android, Apple) application “MOBILE CITIZEN” which allows residents to report issues such as potholes, graffiti, illegal dumping, and other requests for services by simply taking a photo and submitting it directly to the Public Works Agency. Among his most notable achievements, Dr. Woldesenbet has delivered over \$165 million in Capital Improvement Projects throughout unincorporated Alameda County since 2006, many of which have received regional, state, and national recognition for excellence in engineering design, safety improvements, and community service.

“Under Daniel’s leadership, projects of regional significance that formerly languished for years due to funding or implementation challenges have been completed. His dedication to ensuring that projects, small and large, are delivered in an efficient manner, highlights the fact that local government can ably deliver services and meet the expectations of the taxpaying public,” said **Supervisor Scott Haggerty, Alameda County Board of Supervisors**.

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Daniel Woldesenbet receives award from Cora Fossett-Johnson of the American Public Works Association