



## **BRYAN COUNTY PLANNING AND ZONING DIRECTOR RESIGNS POST TO TAKE JOB IN COASTAL OREGON**

**BRYAN COUNTY, GA – Oct. 12, 2018** – Bryan County’s planning and zoning director, Jeff Adams, has resigned his position and announced plans to return to his roots by accepting a role in the northwestern region of the country. Adams first joined the county’s staff in April of this year, having previously worked as the community development director for St. Marys, GA.

His new job in Cannon Beach, Oregon, offers Adams and his family an opportunity to get back to the Pacific Northwest, where he formerly worked as Blaine County’s regional planner in the Sun Valley area of Idaho.

Adams’ departure from Bryan County came sooner than expected, but he explains that he’s been very happy during his time as planning and zoning director. The chance to relocate was simply one he and his family couldn’t pass up, and Adams intends to make this the last move of his professional career.

“As much as I’ve enjoyed my short stay in Bryan County, I couldn’t pass up the opportunity to return to the great northwest when given the opportunity. During our time with St. Marys and Bryan County, we’ve enjoyed being near our family during some difficult years, due to health issues. Yet when the Cannon Beach position became available, we knew it was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to return to where we hope to retire,” Adams said.

“Bryan County has offered me a chance to work with one of the best teams of professionals I could have ever hoped for and a team that will continue to achieve great things,” he continued. “The county has shown that it is invested in planning and in developing the organization in the face of some of the nation’s fastest-growing development. Bryan County is uniquely positioned to become one of shining lights of the Georgia coast and I truly enjoyed the opportunity to serve

its citizens. I will miss all those I've had a chance to work with and look forward to seeing all you'll accomplish in the coming years.”

Bryan County is currently searching for a new manager to lead its bustling planning and zoning department into the future and has partnered with The Mercer Group, Inc. to assist with recruitment. In the meantime, the county is contracting with the Coastal Regional Commission, which will provide an interim planning and zoning consultant to serve about 20 hours per week until a permanent replacement is found. The Bryan County Planning and Zoning Department is fully operational and will forge ahead with plans and tasks already in the works.

For more information about Bryan County, please visit [www.bryancountyga.org](http://www.bryancountyga.org).

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