2012, at least one commissioner with engineering experience has served the District. This new board member restores that much-needed technical expertise at the local level, in addition to public sector experience, according to fellow Commissioner Smith.

Commissioner Forbes and his wife relocated to Port Ludlow from Seattle in the summer of 2016 and have been remodeling their waterfront home in the North Bay. Don heard about the position through engineers he knew and was asked to become a candidate for the appointment. Even though not fully retired, he has stated that he feels this to be a great opportunity to help the community. His qualifications include a Master of Business Administration (MBA) from Pacific Lutheran University and a Master's in structural engineering from the University of Colorado. Forbes was the former director of the Oregon Department of Transportation, and continues to serve as a specialty consultant on major projects in the U.S. and Canada, including the $\$ 3.9$ billion replacement of the Tappan Zee Bridge in New York City.

This time of year, with major rainfall, the 18 completed projects of PLDD continuously serve the North Bay community. These past projects are revealed in new postings on the PLDD website, pldd.org, including historical photos and videos. Everyone is encouraged to check out this online update, and all are welcome to attend the Regular Meeting at 10:00 a.m. on the second Thursday of each month at the Beach Club.

## PLDD Gains an Engineer as New Commissioner

The Port Ludlow Drainage District (PLDD) has a new commissioner, Don Forbes, appointed by the Jefferson County Board of Commissioners and sworn in on December 6 to fill the vacancy of Position 2, vacated by the former Chair on October 13.

Commissioner Forbes brings to the District valuable engineering experience which has been missed on the Board since 2012. From the inception of PLDD in 2000 until

