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Lemmon graduates from Pacific Coast Banking School

Heppner, OR – **Mark Lemmon**, Chief Financial Officer for Bank of Eastern Oregon, recently graduated from Pacific Coast Banking School. PCBS is touted as the premier graduate level banking school in the country. For the past three summers, Mark has attended the two-week program at the University of Washington in Seattle. The curriculum included courses in lending, law, accounting, leadership, and numerous inter-year problems, as well as a thesis. Lemmon graduated as an honor roll student being specifically recognized in the top 10% of the graduating class of 228.

Lemmon joined the bank in 2006 and is a CPA. Mark and his wife, Alaina, have six children and live in Lexington.

“Mark once again proved himself to be a leader amongst his peers. The PCBS coursework is quite intense. We are very proud of Mark’s achievement. His dedication to the bank and desire to increase his knowledge in banking is another example of what sets us apart from our competition,” said Jeff Bailey, President and CEO of the bank.

“I appreciate the opportunity to further my banking knowledge. The interaction with other bankers was a valuable experience,” said Lemmon.

About BEO Bancorp

BEO Bancorp is the holding company for Bank of Eastern Oregon, which operates 12 branches and two loan production offices in nine eastern Oregon counties. Branches are located in Arlington, Ione, Heppner, Condon, Irrigon, Boardman, Burns, John Day, Prairie City, Fossil, Moro and Enterprise. Loan production offices are located in Hermiston and Ontario. Bank of Eastern Oregon also operates a mortgage division and offers brokerage services through BEO Financial Services. Bank of Eastern Oregon’s website is www.beobank.com.