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## Port of Portland Hires New Airport Fire and Police Chiefs

The Port of Portland has named Craig Funk as the Chief of Portland Airport Fire and Rescue, and Jason Wallis as the Chief of Port of Portland Police Department.



**Craig Funk** comes to the Port with more than 28 years of experience in the fire service. Most recently, he was the On-Duty Deputy Chief for Emergency Operations at Portland Fire & Rescue. Funk has had a diverse career in a variety of supervisory positions and fire service disciplines including operations, training, emergency medical services, and marine fire and rescue. He also served as the city's liaison to Portland International Airport while working at Portland Fire & Rescue. Funk was sworn in as Fire Chief on May 27; he succeeds Chief Craig

Callicotte, who retired after 6 years of service as Port Fire Chief. Funk hails from Mosier, Ore. and is married with two children.

**Jason Wallis** was tapped as the next Police Chief for the Port after a comprehensive and competitive nationwide recruitment. Wallis has spent his entire 18-year career in the Port's Police Department and has steadily worked his way up through the ranks. He has supervised the Port's detective and K9 units and served 4 years as a lieutenant and then 2 years as a captain. Most recently, Wallis served as acting chief after the retirement of Chief Phil Klahn, who served as Port Police Chief for nearly 13 years. Wallis was sworn in as Police Chief on July 2. Wallis hails from Ashland, Ore. and is married with three children.



"I'm thrilled to have sworn in both Chief Funk and Chief Wallis," said Mark Crosby, Port of Portland chief of public safety and security. "They are consummate professionals who bring a

wealth of knowledge and experience to the job and the Port is fortunate to have these gentlemen lead two of our critical public safety organizations.”

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