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## **Regional Consulting Firm Expands to Lewis County**

Centralia, Wash., Jan. 13, 2017 – SCJ Alliance opened an office in Centralia this month, adding to the company’s five other offices in counties across the state. SCJ is a nationally-recognized, multidisciplinary consulting firm specializing in civil engineering, transportation planning and design, environmental and urban planning, landscape architecture and design, and public outreach.

The company also has offices in Lacey, Seattle, Wenatchee and Vancouver, and the decision to expand to Centralia was both strategic and heartfelt.

“The choice to open a Lewis County office came naturally and with enthusiasm,” said SCJ Civil Engineering Manager Brandon Johnson. “We already have challenging, meaningful work here, and we have staff who live and play here. It’s also a good fit because our core values, personally and as a firm, match well with the community.”

Brandon, a Centralia native, is the manager for the new location at 212 N Tower Avenue, in the heart of historic downtown Centralia. “Continuing my career in Lewis County is a lifelong dream of mine,” he said. “SCJ opening an office here not only gives me that chance, but also the opportunity to bring additional quality jobs to my community.”



*Brandon Johnson, manager of SCJ’s new Lewis County office*



*Flanked by a team of SCJ colleagues, Centralia office manager and firm principal Brandon Johnson (with scissors) prepares to cut the ribbon at the new location.*

SCJ engineers and landscape architects are already in the midst of a number of significant projects in the area, including the new Chehalis elementary schools and several projects at Centralia College.

The SCJ planning team is currently leading the North Lewis County Industrial Access Study, working to improve access and freight mobility to industrially-zoned lands. In nearby Napavine, SCJ completed the city’s comprehensive plan update last year and combined engineering, transportation and planning services for its local Love’s Travel Stop.

Since its founding ten years ago, the firm has grown steadily from three employees in one location, to a dynamic team of more than 80

employees in its six locations across Washington. Headquartered in Lacey, SCJ Alliance is the recipient of two top places to work awards in the last 12 months.

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