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Emergency management director appointed

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A Homeland Security Operations Center executive has been tapped to become the director of the Portland Office of Emergency Management.

Mayor Tom Potter said Thursday that Shawn Graff, assistant deputy director of the Homeland Security Operations Center for the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in Washington, D.C., will take over the Portland post on March 27.

Graff replaces interim Director Mike McGuire, who will return to the Portland Fire Bureau.

Graff recently served as a military intelligence officer for the U.S. Army. His background includes experience as an

emergency responder, firefighter and rescue technician. Graff earned a bachelor of arts degree from the University of Wisconsin and an associate degree in fire protection from Fox Valley Technical College. He is also a graduate of the U.S. Army Intelligence Center in Fort Huachuca, Ariz.

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