

Cooperation agreement signed by Mason, US and NHRI, China

Mason Provost Peter N. Stearns met a delegation of Chinese officials led by Dr. Jianyun Zhang, President of Nanjing Hydraulic Research Institute (NHRI), PR. China in the afternoon of August 23, 2010. An agreement about the exchange of staff and joint research projects was signed by Dr. Stearns and Dr. Zhang to foster collaboration in educational intercultural activities and research projects between Mason and NHRI. The agreement seeks to identify common areas for research, training and application in the field of remote sensing technology in hydrology monitoring and water resource management. The provost said he was delighted by the formal establishment of links with NHRI, which, during his early 2010 visit, was identified as an excellent match for Mason. The Provost was in NHRI on an official visit in June 2010. He described his visit as very informative, especially the tour to the Water Experiment Center of the NHRI. Prior to his visit, The NHRI and College of Science (COS) of Mason had signed an agreement in 2008. President Zhang hoped the relations and activities between the two parties can be further enhanced by the agreement. Zhang also expressed his sincere thanks for Mason having successfully hosted the first NHRI training workshop in 2009 and will host the second training workshop in October, 2010.



