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19th Annual Summit

July 12th – 16th, 2009

Boise Centre, Boise, ID



Global Challenges *NorthWest Imperatives*
Through Excellence, Innovation, and Leadership



*Pacific NorthWest
Economic Region*



C.L. "Butch" Otter
Governor

On behalf of the State of Idaho, I thank all of the PNWER members who have accepted my invitation to attend the 19th annual Pacific Northwest Economic Region Summit on July 12th through the 16th in Boise, Idaho. I am proud to have the opportunity to host this year's important regional summit and honored to have you as a participant.

As a PNWER member, Idaho is committed to promoting better understanding and closer economic relations between Canada, our Pacific Northwest region and the United States. The U.S. Pacific Northwest and Western Canada is one of the fastest growing regions of North America, and the need for a bi-national, regional advocate that works with both the public and private sectors is exceedingly important in this economic climate.

This year's conference will include opportunities to discuss topics including Technology and Innovation, Agriculture and Green Energy Alternatives that are increasingly relevant in today's world. Participants also can build personal relationships with high-level government and business leaders, and take part in policy tours around the state.

Idaho offers an abundance of recreational opportunities for your enjoyment, and I hope that you can make time to explore our great state during your visit.

I look forward to welcoming all of you Idaho in the coming week. I am hopeful that you will not miss this opportunity for growth and partnership in a state known for striking natural beauty and tremendous business opportunities.

As Always – Idaho, "Esto Perpetua"

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "C.L. Butch Otter". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

C.L. "Butch" Otter
Governor of Idaho

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Letter from the Co-Chairs

By taking part in the 19th Annual Pacific NorthWest Economic Region Summit in Boise, Idaho, you are helping shape the future of the Pacific Northwest.

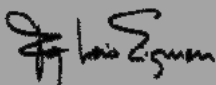
Our region's private-sector and government leaders are here to develop regional solutions to economic challenges and areas critical to our regional economy. This is an organization that helps remove barriers, promote policy and spur positive action.

The 2009 Summit, PNWER's annual bi-lateral meeting, will focus on developing new strategies and collaborative solutions to enhance our region's economic competitiveness and preserve our world-class natural environment.

On behalf of the Host Committee, welcome to Boise and thank you for joining us.




Bruce Newcomb
Former Speaker of the House
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Welcome to PNWER's 19th Annual Summit in beautiful Boise, Idaho! Your participation is key to PNWER's ongoing efforts to improve understanding, growth, and cooperation across the bi-national region PNWER represents. Thank you for coming!

A lot has happened since we met last year in Vancouver, BC. The economic downturn has affected us all, and I believe, made organizations like PNWER more relevant and important as we develop strategies to recover and bring our economy back. Although there are tendencies to retreat into our own world, now is an important time to look at how we can work together, and collaborate to foster the innovation our region is known for all over the world.

2008-2009 has been another important year in PNWER's history, with great strides in many of our core mission areas. It has been a sincere honor for me to serve as PNWER's 11th President. Here are some of the highlights I have been proud to see this organization accomplish in the past year:

Successful Visits to Ottawa and Washington, DC: PNWER Officers were able to meet with key Ministers in Ottawa to brief them in depth on issues of consensus between our states and provinces. In Washington, DC PNWER held an important symposium with the Woodrow Wilson Center highlighting regional solutions to border issues, and then helped organize a similar conference at the Brookings Institution, both events attended by key US officials in the Obama Administration.

State & Provincial Capital Visits: Your officers were able to meet with 4 of the 5 state governors, 3 Premiers, and over 150 legislators in separate trips to each state and provincial capital, sharing key issues, and hearing concerns, some of which have made it on to our agenda here in Boise.

Saskatchewan became the first province to officially join PNWER since the Yukon joined in 1994, and they have really engaged fully this year. I am proud to announce that our Winter meeting will be held in November this year in Regina, Saskatchewan, and that we will be able to host our Second Legislative Academy, where MLA's and legislators can learn first hand the practical differences of our political systems.

These are only some of the many initiatives you will hear about in the next few days here in Boise. I welcome you to join us in this exciting endeavor and get involved in PNWER's working groups that relate to your core interests. Thank you for your involvement, and your leadership!

Sincerely,

John van Dongen
Member of the Legislative Assembly, British Columbia
PNWER President 2008-2009

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Johnson and Johnson
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PNWER Profile: A Bi-National Public/Private Partnership

The Region's Future

With over 20 million people and over US \$700 billion in gross regional product, the US Pacific Northwest (Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon and Washington) and Western Canada (Alberta, British Columbia and Yukon) is one of the fastest growing regions of North America. We are China and East Asia's gateway to North America, the host of the 2010 Winter Olympics and the site of several major infrastructure projects and business opportunities. Now more than ever, the Pacific Northwest needs a bi-national, regional advocate that works with both the public and private sectors.



"PNWER has had a profound impact on policymaking."
--Hon. Stockwell Day, Canada's
Minister of International Trade
and the Asian Pacific Gateway

What is PNWER?

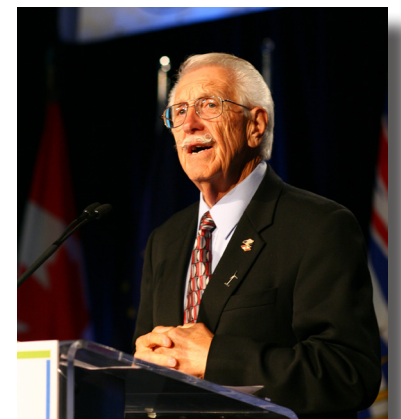
The Pacific NorthWest Economic Region (PNWER) is a regional U.S.-Canadian forum dedicated to encouraging global competitiveness and preserving our world-class natural environment. PNWER is recognized by both the United States and Canada as the "model" for regional and bi-national cooperation because of its proven success. PNWER is a respected voice and resource for our region, and provides the public and private sectors a cross-border forum for unfiltered dialogue that capitalizes upon the synergies between business leaders and elected officials who work to advance the region's global competitiveness.



"PNWER provides a framework and foundation allowing us to work together. Working together means we're working on both sides of the border to accomplish our goals."
--Hon. Gordon Campbell
British Columbia

Public and Private Sector Leadership

PNWER delivers results on regional issues through action plans developed by more than fourteen working groups corresponding to the region's key priorities. Each working group is co-chaired by an industry leader and legislator. Founded in 1991, PNWER is the only statutory, non-partisan, non-profit, bi-national, public/private partnership in North America. PNWER is the forum for collaborative bi-national planning involving both the public and private sectors and offers leadership at the state/provincial level in Salem, Olympia, Boise, Helena, Juneau, Edmonton, Victoria and Whitehorse, and at the national level in Washington, DC and Ottawa



PNWER Immediate Past President Rep. George Eskridge addresses delegates during 2008 Summit in Vancouver

8 PNWER Profile: Major Program Initiatives

Homeland Security



Since 9/11, PNWER has brought together hundreds of public and private sector leaders in a series of infrastructure interdependencies exercises called Blue Cascades designed to make this region more disaster resilient. Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness Canada and the US Department of Homeland Security have recognized PNWER for its leadership role in this effort. In 2006 PNWER launched the Center for Disaster Resilience. See link for details www.regionalresilience.org

2010 Winter Olympics



PNWER has established a 2010 Coordinating Council to develop a regional business plan to market the Pacific Northwest to the world, facilitate business opportunities and promote the region as a destination before, during and after the Games. PNWER is also working with partners to increase public understanding of border-crossing requirements and establishing a regional presence at the Games.

Workforce



Over the next ten years, the region will attract over US \$250 billion in investment capital for some of the world's largest projects, including the Mackenzie Valley and Alaska Natural Gas Pipelines, the Alberta Oil Sands and the 2010 Winter Olympics in Vancouver. Taking advantage of these major economic development opportunities will require a great deal of bi-national cooperation and coordination. PNWER has established a Workforce Development Task Force to ensure that we have the resources and skilled workforce to turn opportunities into true economic prosperity.

Energy



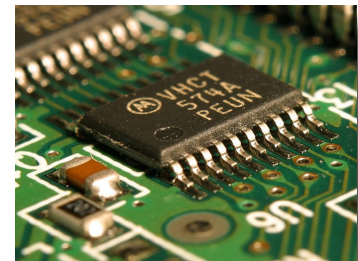
PNWER has been tasked by the US Department of Energy to develop a bi-national Pacific NW Energy Planning Council. Industry representatives, provincial energy ministers and legislative energy committee chairmen come together to address key issues in energy planning across jurisdictional and national boundaries, with an emphasis on multi-jurisdictional citing and permitting. PNWER's Energy Horizon project has recently conducted a study on the cost of not building transmission and is developing tools for policy makers on key energy issues and is conducting the 1st Legislative Energy Institute in 2009.

Border Coordination Council



In 2008, PNWER launched the Border Coordination Council made up of public and private stakeholders committed to reducing border costs and strengthening security. The Council's goals include: Providing consistent input on regional priorities from governments, stakeholders, and border communities in the Pacific Northwest; help shape border security policy and implementation strategies; connect the federal governments in a systematic way with local impacts of border decisions. PNWER held a Regional Solutions Border Conference in Washington D.C. in February 2009 at the Woodrow Wilson Center.

PNW Innovation Network



The Pacific Northwest is fortunate to have a vibrant, entrepreneurial economy, rich with global talent and innovative organizations. PNWER is working to develop the Pacific NorthWest Innovation Network: a new forum for Canadian and American academia, business across sectors and investors to collaborate and engage in an action-oriented dialogue on key R&D-related issues and opportunities in the Pacific Northwest.



Past PNWER Presidents during 2008 Annual Summit in Vancouver

Vision

PNWER is the pre-eminent bi-national regional advocacy for state and provincial regional issues

Mission

To increase the economic well-being and quality of life for all citizens of the region.

To coordinate provincial and state policies throughout the region

To identify and promote 'models of success' and serve as a conduit for information exchange

Mission Statement Goals

Promote greater regional collaboration

Enhance the competitiveness of the region in both domestic and international markets

Leverage region's influence in Washington D.C. and Ottawa

Achieve continued economic growth while maintaining the region's natural beauty and environment

Developing the Work Plan

Issues

PNWER Officers meet with government and legislative leadership during legislative sessions to investigate key regional cross border issues. These issues as well as others suggested by members of the working group, co-chairs, the Executive Committee or member jurisdictions help form each working group's agenda for the Annual Summit.

Working Groups

Each working group is chaired by a public and private sector leader. Working groups generally address key issues identified through the regional process from the past year. During the Summit, working groups are briefed by subject matter experts then discuss issues presented. Working Groups are asked to develop action items and project teams to work beyond the meeting to carry out recommendations.

Action Items and Resolutions

Working groups develop action items and resolutions after each session during the summit, which are forwarded to the Executive Committee for approval. Resolutions are generally developed to address specific policy objectives and may be forwarded to state/provincial legislatures for introduction in the next session. Action items generally involve identifying projects and teams to address specific issues identified during the working group session.

Executive Committees

Actions Items and Resolutions are submitted by each working group for approval from the Executive Committees. The Committee may send items back to the Working Group for clarification or revision.

The Work Plan

Once approved, the Working Group Action Items and Resolutions become the PNWER Work Plan. The PNWER Secretariat assists working groups and project teams to execute the work plan. PNWER Officers will also travel to each state and provincial capital as well as visit Ottawa and Washington DC to raise specific issues from the workplan.

Keynote Speakers



David Bieter, Boise Mayor

David H. Bieter was first elected in 2007. He has made protecting the city's livability the centerpiece of his administration. He was born and raised in Boise and holds a B.A. in International Studies from the College of St. Thomas in St. Paul, Minnesota and a Juris Doctorate from the University of Idaho College of Law. He earned experience in municipal affairs as civil counsel to Bonner County in Sandpoint, as civil prosecutor and land use specialist in the Ada County Prosecutor's office and later as a private attorney.

He was chosen to assume his father's seat in the Idaho House of Representatives after his parents, Pat and Eloise Bieter, were killed in an automobile accident in 1999. Voters elected him to full terms in 2000 and 2002.



Walt Minnick, Congressman, Idaho

Walter C. "Walt" Minnick is serving in his first term as the Congressman from Idaho's First Congressional District. He took the oath of office for the 111th Congress on January 6, 2009.

Walt serves on the House Agriculture Committee, where he helps craft policy for Idaho farmers and where he helps oversee the U.S. Forest Service lands throughout Idaho and the west. Walt also serves on the House Financial Services Committee, where he helps craft the nation's economic policy and regulations. Both committees fit well into Walt's focuses on crafting a sensible, consensus-based approach to public lands, improving care and services for veterans, and creating more good-paying jobs here in Idaho.

Walt grew up near Walla Walla, Washington, on his family's dryland wheat farm. He earned an economics degree from Whitman College in his hometown before moving east. He graduated from Harvard Business School and Harvard Law School, and spent two years in the U.S. Army. From there he went to work in the White House Office of Management and Budget, but resigned from the Nixon Administration in protest the day after the president fired a special prosecutor investigating the Watergate burglary.



John van Dongen, MLA British Columbia and PNWER President

John van Dongen was re-elected as MLA to serve the new riding of Abbotsford-South in the spring of 2009. John was first elected in 1995 in a by-election to represent the riding of Abbotsford and was re-elected in 1996, 2001, and 2005. Mr. van Dongen currently serves as the Government Caucus Whip. He also serves as the current President of the Pacific Northwest Economic Region (PNWER).

Mr. van Dongen has served as the Solicitor General and Minister of Public Safety. He has also served as Minister of State for Intergovernmental Relations and as Minister of Agriculture, Food and Fisheries. He has also been a member of the Government Caucus Committee on Social Development. For the past several years, John served on the Hospital Construction Committee for the new Abbotsford Hospital and Cancer Centre.

Before his election to the Legislative Assembly, Mr. van Dongen operated a dairy farm in Abbotsford. He studied agricultural economics at the University of British Columbia.

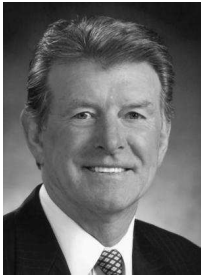


Roger D. Woodworth, Vice President, Sustainable Energy Solutions, Avista Utilities

Roger Woodworth is vice president for Avista Corp. and vice president for Sustainable Energy Solutions for Avista Utilities. Woodworth received his Bachelor of Science degree in wildlife biology from Washington State University in 1978. He is also an alumnus of Columbia University's Senior Executive Program.

Woodworth began his career at Avista Corp. as a fish and wildlife biologist in 1979.

He chairs the President's Advisory Council for Washington State University-Spokane. He is a director on the board and past chair of Foundation Northwest, a non-profit community foundation. He serves on the Electric Power Research Institute's executive steering committee for energy efficiency initiatives, chairs Edison Electric Institute's customer service executive advisory committee, and he is vice chair of the board of the Northwest Energy Efficiency Alliance. In addition, Woodworth chairs the Mayor's Task Force on Sustainability in Spokane, Wash.



C.L. "Butch" Otter, Idaho Governor

C.L. "Butch" Otter was elected Governor of Idaho on November 7, 2006. He previously served three terms in Congress representing Idaho's 1st District (2000-2006). Governor Otter is a father of four and grandfather of five. He is married to the former Lori Easley of Kimberly. They live on their ranch near Star.

Governor Otter was born in Caldwell on May 3, 1942. He graduated from St. Teresa's Academy (now Bishop Kelly High School) in Boise, attended Boise Junior College (now Boise State University), and received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from the College of Idaho in 1967. He served honorably in the Idaho Army National Guard's

116th Armored Cavalry from 1968 to 1973, and later was awarded honorary doctorates from the University of the Philippines and the College of Idaho in Caldwell.

Governor Otter's 30-year career in business included membership on the Board of Directors of the J.R. Simplot Company. He also served as Director of the Food Products Division, President of Simplot Livestock, and President of Simplot International. He retired in 1993.

When he was elected to Congress, Governor Otter was serving his fourth term as Idaho's Lieutenant Governor. He served in that office longer than anyone in Idaho history. He previously represented the people of Canyon County in the Idaho House of Representatives for two terms (1973-1976), was on the Idaho Republican Party Central Committee and was Chairman of the Canyon County Republican Party.



Dean C. Allen, Chief Executive Officer, McKinstry

Dean has over 30 years experience in the design, construction, and real estate industries of the Pacific Northwest. Through his vision as President and CEO, McKinstry has grown from a mechanical contractor into a comprehensive design, build, operate, and maintain enterprise with over \$350 million per year in revenues and over 1,600 employees.

Dean has served the community in a variety of industry and philanthropic roles. He currently serves on the boards of the Seattle Biomedical Research Institute, Global Partnerships, PATH, and Seattle Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center. He also serves on the Washington Roundtable and the Partnership for Learning.

Dean holds Bachelor of Science degrees in Biochemistry and Psychology from the University of Washington where he graduated magna cum laude.



The Honourable Gary Lunn, Canadian Minister of State for Sport

First elected to the House of Commons in 1997, Gary Lunn was re-elected in 2000, 2004, 2006, and 2008. After serving as Minister of Natural Resources from February 2006 to October 2008, he was appointed Minister Responsible for Sport and the 2010 Vancouver-Whistler Olympics and Paralympics on October 30, 2008.

Minister Lunn is a strong advocate for amateur sport in Canada, and is a former member of the Canadian Ski Patrol. He welcomes the challenge of being Minister of State for Sport as Canada prepares to welcome the world at the Vancouver Winter Olympics and Paralympics in 2010.

Prior to entering federal politics, Minister Lunn practiced law in Victoria and is a member of the British Columbia Law Society. He has previously worked in the mining and forestry industries of British Columbia and northern Canada. He is a certified carpenter, and has taught first aid for St. John's Ambulance. Gary resides in North Saanich with his wife, Alexis and their two children, David and Victoria.

12 Keynote Speakers



Stephen P. Reynolds, President and Chief Executive Officer, Puget Sound Energy

Stephen Reynolds has three decades of experience in both the natural gas and electric power business, including significant accomplishments in energy matters at the state and federal levels in North America and internationally. He was formerly CEO of Reynolds Energy International and served for 10 years as CEO of Pacific Gas Transmission Company of Portland, Oregon.

Reynolds is also committed to strengthening company relationships with customers, regulators, industry peers, employees, and other key constituencies. In addition to his responsibilities with Puget Energy and PSE, Reynolds serves on the boards of directors for: ArtsFund, The 5th Avenue Theatre, The Performing Arts Center Eastside, The Nature Conservancy of Washington, Washington Roundtable, Green Diamond Resources Company, Intermec, Inc., the Edison Electric Institute, and the American Gas Association.

A California native, Reynolds has a bachelor's degree in Economics from the University of California-Berkeley, and a master's in Business Administration from the University of Oregon.



Douglas P. Bloom, President, Spectra Energy Transmission West

Doug Bloom is president of Spectra Energy Transmission's western Canadian operations, responsible for four of the company's western-based divisions: BC Pipeline, BC Field Services, Midstream and the Natural Gas Liquids division.

Bloom joined the company in 1987 as a regulatory affairs supervisor for Westcoast Energy in Vancouver. Since then he has held a series of leadership positions of increasing responsibility including: information technology, regulated businesses and marketing. Most recently, he served as president of Maritimes and Northeast Pipeline. Bloom holds bachelor's and master's degrees in economics, both from Simon Fraser University in Burnaby, British Columbia.



Stephen J. (Steve) Wright, Administrator, Bonneville Power Administration

Steve Wright was appointed Administrator of the Bonneville Power Administration on Jan. 24, 2002. Prior to his appointment as Acting and then permanent Administrator, Wright served as Senior Vice President for Corporate from 1998-2000. He was Manager of BPA's Washington, D.C., office between 1990 and 1998 and Manager of the California office between 1987 and 1990. He started his career at BPA in 1981 in the conservation office.

Wright graduated from Central Michigan University in 1979 with a B.A. in journalism and received his master's in public affairs from the University of Oregon in 1981. He and his wife Kathleen have three children and live in Portland.



Honourable Floyd K. Roland, Premier of the Northwest Territories

Mr. Roland was first elected to the Legislative Assembly on October 16, 1995. He was re-elected to represent the Inuvik Boot Lake constituency in the 14th Legislative Assembly on December 6, 1999, and again on November 4, 2003 in the 15th Legislative Assembly. On October 1, 2007 the Inuvik Boot Lake electorate supported Mr. Roland for a fourth consecutive term as a Member of the 16th Legislative Assembly and on October 18, 2007 he was elected Premier of the Northwest Territories.

Mr. Roland served on the Inuvik Town Council for three years, including a term as the Deputy Mayor from 1994 to 1995. He was Chairman of the Inuvik Hunters and Trappers Committee from June 1994 to October 1995, and President of the Western Arctic Tourism Association. Mr. Roland has been actively involved with hockey in Inuvik, both as a minor league coach and as a player.

Mr. Roland and his wife Shawna have five sons, Austin, Justin, Quincey, Samuel, Mitchell and one daughter, Courtney.

Sunday
1:00 - 5:00 PM

Idaho Wine Country Tour

Monday
2:00 - 5:15 PM

US Geothermal (2:00-5:00PM)
NIFC (1:15-3:45PM)

Tuesday
9:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Banner Bank Building (9:45-12:15PM)
JR Simplot (9:30-12:30PM)

Tuesday
2:00 - 5:00 PM

Clear Springs (11:30 AM - 5:30 PM)

Wednesday
9:15 AM - 12:15 PM

Micron (9:15-11:30AM)

Wednesday
1:30 - 5:00 PM

Healthwise (1:30-5:00PM)
Nunhems (1:30-5:00PM)

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Policy Tours on Pages 29-32*



Policy Tour Participants during the 2008 PNWER
Summit in Vancouver, BC

Agenda

Conference Schedule
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Sunday, July 12th		
12:00pm – 6:00 pm	Registration	Room: Meadow Lobby
12:00pm – 5:00pm	PNWER Executive Committee Meeting	Room: Perch
1:00pm – 5:00pm	Idaho Wine Country Policy Tour	Meet in Meadow Lobby
6:30pm – 8:30pm	Welcome Reception- Basque Block , Welcome by Mayor David Bieter	Basque Block
	Opening Remarks by US Congressman Walt Minnick	
9:00pm	Hospitality Suites- Grove Hotel	Room: Grove Hotel Terrace Suites, 4 th Floor

Monday, July 13th					
7:00am – 5:00pm	Registration				Room: Meadow Lobby
8:00am – 9:00am	Opening Ceremonies and Breakfast, Featuring John van Dongen, MLA-BC, PNWER President				Room: Eagle
	Keynote Speaker Roger D. Woodworth, Vice President, Avista				
9:15am – 12:00pm	Border Issues Room: Merlins	Trade and Economic Development Room: Firs/Cottonwoods	Agriculture Room: Kestrels	Energy I Room: Peregrines	Cross border Livestock Health Conference Room: Willows/Pines
12:30pm	Luncheon Keynote Speaker, Idaho Governor C.L. “Butch” Otter				Room: Eagle
2:00pm – 5:00pm	Tourism/2010 Room: Payete	Innovation Room: Firs/Cottonwoods	Agriculture (cont.) Room: Kestrels	Energy I Room: Peregrines	Cross border Livestock Health Conference (cont.) Room: Willows/Pines
1:15pm – 3:45pm	National Interagency Fire Center Policy Tour				Meet in Meadow Lobby
2:00pm – 5:15pm	US Geothermal Policy Tour				Room: Merlins
6:30pm	Reception- Western Barbeque at the JR Simplot Stables- Buses will be departing from the Convention Centre beginning at 6:15 from Front St.				
9:00pm	Hospitality Suites- Grove Hotel				Room: Grove Hotel Terrace Suites, 4 th Floor



Rep. George Eskridge, John van Dongen, MLA BC, and Hon. Jim Kenyon, YK, with Premier Floyd Roland (center) during a recent visit to the Northwest



Montana Governor Schweitzer (third from left) with the PNWER delegates

Tuesday, July 14th					
7:00am – 6:00pm	Registration				Room: Meadow Lobby
8:00am – 9:00am	Breakfast Keynote Speaker: Dean Allen, CEO McKinstry				Room: Eagle
9:15am – 12:15pm	Homeland Security/Regional Disaster Resilience Room: Kestrels	Forestry Room: Firs/Cottonwoods	Energy II Room: Peregrines	Workforce/Northern Development Room: Payete	Cross border Livestock Health Conference Room: Willows/Pines
9:45am – 12:15pm	Banner Bank Building Policy Tour Meet in Meadow Lobby		JR Simplot Policy Tour Meet in Meadow Lobby		
12:30pm	Luncheon Keynote: Hon. Gary Lunn, Canadian Minister of State for Sport				Room: Eagle
2:00pm – 5:00pm	Homeland Security/Regional Disaster Resilience (cont.) Room: Kestrels	Water Room: Merlins	Energy Innovation Room: Peregrines	Healthcare Room: Firs/Cottonwoods	Clear Springs Policy Tour
5:30pm	Reception – Hosted by Idaho National Lab				Room: Eagle
9:00pm	Hospitality Suite: Sponsored by APEGGA, APEGBC, APEGS				Room: Grove Hotel Terrace Suites, 4 th Floor
Wednesday, July 15th					
7:00am – 2:00pm	Registration				Room: Meadows Lobby
8:00am	Breakfast- Energy CEO Roundtable Featuring: Steve Reynolds, CEO, Puget Sound Energy; Doug Bloom, President, Spectra Energy Transmission West				Room: Eagle
9:15am – 12:00pm	Transportation Room: Kestrels	Environment & Energy Room: Merlins			Invasive Species Room: Payete
9:15am – 12:00pm	Micron Policy Tour Meet in Meadow Lobby				
12:00pm – 1:15pm	Luncheon Keynote Speaker- Hon. Floyd Roland, Premier of the Northwest Territories				Room: Eagle
1:30pm – 5:00pm	Healthwise Policy Tour Meet in Meadow Lobby	Nunhems Seed Policy Tour Meet in Meadow Lobby	Energy II – Transmission Room: Peregrines		Telecommunications Room: Firs/Cottonwoods
3:00pm – 5:00pm	PNWER Executive Committee Meeting Room: Merlins				
6:00pm	PNWER President’s Banquet- Sponsored by the Government of Canada, Featuring Calgary Summit in 2010; and the Saskatchewan Winter Meeting				Room: Eagle
9:00pm	Hospitality Suites- Grove Hotel				Room: Grove Hotel, Rapids Suite 319 & 320
Thursday, July 16th					
7:00am – 9:00pm	Idaho National Lab Policy Tour (Advanced Registration Required) Buses depart at 7:00am from the Convention Centre (Front St.) and return at 9:00pm				

Detailed Conference Agenda

Sunday, July 12

12:00pm- 6:00pm	Registration – Meadow Lobby
12:00pm- 1:00pm	PNWER Executive Committee Luncheon – Perch Room
1:00pm- 4:00pm	PNWER Executive Committee Meeting – Perch Room
6:30pm- 8:30pm	Welcome Reception – Basque Block (601 Grove St) Welcome by Mayor David Bieter Opening Remarks by US Congressman Walt Minnick , Idaho
8:30 pm- 11:00pm	Hospitality Suites – Terrace Suites, 4 th Floor, Grove Hotel

Monday, July 13

7:00am- 6:00pm	Registration – Meadow Lobby
8:00am- 9:00am	Opening Ceremonies and Breakfast – Eagle Room Welcome: John van Dongen , MLA British Columbia and PNWER President Keynote: Roger Woodward , Vice President, Avista Corp.
9:15am- 12:00pm	Concurrent Sessions: Agriculture, Border Issues, Cross Border Livestock Health Conference, Energy I, Trade & Economic Development

Monday Morning Sessions

Agriculture

Co-chairs



Gary Furiman, Idaho
Farm Bureau



Richard Marz,
MLA, Alberta

Monday July 13th

MORNING SESSION 9:15am – 12:00pm

Room: Kestrels

Update on the Agricultural Industry in Idaho and the Northwest.

- *What innovative steps is Idaho taking to lead the region?*
- *How can our region better partner to address regional agriculture issues?*

Featuring:

- **Celia R. Gould**, Director of Idaho State Department of Agriculture.

Agriculture & Science – A Good Partnership –

This session will include an overview of specific research underway to test a variety of grasses such as switchgrass, prairie grass, sudan grass, basin wildrye & miscanthus as possible energy sources in Idaho. It also includes the gathering and handling of cellulosic or other

feedstock for the biofuel/gas industry and the opportunity for Idaho ranchers and farmers to provide that feedstock.

Featuring:

- **Frank Priestley**, President, Idaho Farm Bureau
- **Ann Rydalch**, Business Systems Specialist, International & Regional Partnership Office, Idaho National Laboratory

Cross-border Issues – Potato Nematode Situation, What Have We Learned?

In the spring of 2006 Potato Nematodes were discovered in Idaho. As a result, Canada, Mexico and Korea shut off imports of potatoes from the state and Canada stopped any root type plant imports from the United States. The next year Potato Nematodes were discovered in Canada. Since that time both countries have done extensive work to resolve their differences with this problem. This session will explain what has been learned from this experience and what steps may be taken in the future if a similar problem arises.

Featuring:

- **Mike Cooper**, Bureau Chief, Plant Industries Division, Idaho Department of Agriculture.
- **Brian Marschman**, Plant Health Director, Plant Protection & Quarantine Program, APHIS, U.S.D.A.
- **Deb Hart**, Seed Development Coordinator, Potato Growers of Alberta.

Border Issues

Co-chairs



Len Mitzel,
MLA, Alberta



Dr. Don Alper,
Director, Border
Policy Research
Institute, WWU

Monday, July 13

MORNING SESSION – 9:15am-12:00pm

Room: Merlins

Panel Discussion on the future of the border

- What should the border look like in the future?
- How can we enhance legitimate travel and trade while maintaining security?

Featuring:

- **Kathryn Friedman**, Regional Institute, University at Buffalo
- **Geoffrey Hale**, Professor of Political Science, University of Lethbridge
- **Jim Phillips**, President and CEO, Canadian American Border Trade Alliance

“Maintaining an Efficient Border: Challenges for the Future.” Roundtable discussion on commercial issues in the context of both the large gateway ports of entry and the smaller crossings stretching from the coast to Saskatchewan.

Moderated by :

- **Dale Eisler**, Canadian Consul General

Opening remarks by:

- **David Bradley**, President of the Canadian Trucking Alliance
- **Bill Graves**, President of the American Trucking Association



John van Dongen, MLA BC, WA Gov. Chris Gregoire. Consul General Peter Lloyd

Cross-border Livestock Health Conference

This is the second PNWER Cross-Border Livestock Health Conference. The first was held in Spokane in 2007.

Co-Chairs



Dr. Bill Barton
Idaho State
Veterinarian



Dr. Gerald Hauer
Alberta Chief
Provincial Veterinarian

Monday, July 13th

ALL DAY 9:15am - 5:00pm

Room: Willows/Pines

Objectives and expectations for the conference

- **Dr. Gerald Hauer**, Alberta Chief Provincial Veterinarian
- **Dr. Bill Barton**, Idaho State Veterinarian

Topic: Traceability

- Global Animal Health and Traceability Priorities Beyond 2010
- OIE Policy Directions
- US & Canadian Planning & Response Strategies

Featuring:

- **Tianna MacInnes** – CFIA
- **Dr. Brian McCluskey** – USDA/APHIS

Canadian Perspectives & Next Steps: Traceability

Featuring:

- **Kerry St Cyr**, Canadian Cattle Identification Agency
- **Dr. Kee Jim**, Alberta Livestock and Meat Agency

US Perspectives & Next Steps – Traceability

Featuring:

- **Dr. Dave Morris**, USDA /APHIS
- **Rick Stott**, Executive VP, Agri-Beef

Traceability Open Discussion – Informal information sharing

Energy I

Co-chairs



Hon. Mel Knight
Minister of Energy
Alberta



Bill Kidd
Director, External Affairs
BP America Inc.

Monday, July 13th

MORNING SESSION 9:15am-12:00pm

Room: Peregrines

Presentation of Global Energy Outlook BP Global Statistical Outlook, policy neutral global energy situation based on real data, examining the current trends in energy.

Featuring:

- **Neelesh Nerurkar**, BP Economist, Washington, DC

Federal/ Regional Energy and Climate Change initiatives update

This Session will address the following questions:

- *What is the status of federal legislation impacting energy and climate change?*
- *What implications does this policy have on our region?*
- *What targets and timelines are expected?*
- *Will there be a national Renewable Portfolio Standard in the US, and what will it mean for our region?*

Featuring:

- **Janice Adair**, Washington Liaison to Western Climate Initiative (WCI)

Regional Ministers and leaders roundtable on carbon and energy:

- Roundtable Participants will be asked to comment on energy and carbon as it relates to their jurisdiction.
- President Obama and Prime Minister Harper launched a 'Clean Energy Dialogue' in February. What can our region contribute to this dialogue?
- This session will include questions and discussion from the audience.

Featuring

- **Hon. Rob Renner**, Minister of Environment, AB

- **Hon. Bill Boyd**, Minister of Energy Resources, SK
- **Paul Kjellander**, Administrator, Office of Energy Resources, ID
- **Lesil McGuire**, Alaska State Senator

- 1) *How will your jurisdiction undertake the actions discussed in the clean energy dialogue?*
- 2) *What activities have you started, and what do you plan to do in future?*
- 3) *What suggestions do you have for PNWER in adding value to this dialogue?*

Trade & Economic Development

Co-chairs



Sen. Lesil McGuire
Alaska



Don Brunell
President, Association
of WA Business

Monday, July 13th

MORNING SESSION: 9:15am – 12:00pm

Room: Firs/Cottonwoods

Introduction of the US and Canadian Stimulus Packages: Round Table on the US and Canadian Stimulus Packages and Regional Economic Development Opportunities:

Featuring:

- **Tim McCabe**, Director of Department of Economic Development, State of Oregon (American Stimulus Package)
- **Hon. Ken Cheveldayoff**, Minister of Enterprise, Saskatchewan Province (Canadian Stimulus Package)

Facilitated Discussion:

- *How stimulus is being applied in PNWER member jurisdictions?*
- *What can PNWER do to help facilitate economic development in the region through the stimulus package?*
- *What are ways to deal with protectionist aspects of the packages, i.e. the "Buy America" clause?*
- *How can PNWER maximize the benefit of the potential development of the Natural Gas Pipeline?*
- *What are other growth opportunities in the current economy?*

Monday, July 13th

12:30pm – 2:00pm Luncheon Keynote
Speaker, **Idaho Governor C.L. “Butch” Otter**

2:00pm – 5:00pm Concurrent Sessions
(Agriculture, Cross Border Livestock Health, Energy I, Innovation, Tourism)

Monday Afternoon Sessions

Agriculture

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Richard Marz,
MLA, Alberta

Monday, July 13

AFTERNOON SESSION 2:00pm – 5:00 pm

Room: Kestrels

Cross-border Issues – Country of Origin Labeling – Impacts of initial implementation. On March 16, 2009 the US implemented the final rule of the Country of Origin Act. As a result, Commodities covered under the act must be labeled at retail to indicate its country of origin. This session will explore the impact of implementation, costs and trade implications.

Featuring:

- **Jerry R. Dewey**, Vice-President of Government Affairs, Associated Food Stores, Inc.
- **John Masswohl**, Director of International Relations, Canadian Cattleman’s Association.

Regional Roundtable Discussion. Group Discussion on Emerging Issues for Agriculture

Moderated by:

- **Rich Garber**, Director of Industry and Government Relations, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, University of Idaho.

Action Items for PNWER Executive Committee.

- Working group co-chairs.

Cross-border Livestock Health Conference

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Dr. Gerald Hauer
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Monday, July 13th

AFTERNOON SESSION 2:00pm – 5:00 pm

Room: Willows/Pines

TB/Brucellosis

- US: Going Forward on TB/Brucellosis
- Future Policy/Issue Updates
- USDA Brucellosis Elimination Zone

Featuring:

- **Dr. Gaborick** - USDA /APHIS
- **Dr. Brickler**, USDA/APHIS (invited)
- **Dr. Elizabeth Parker**, National Cattlemen’s Beef Association

Canada: Going Forward on TB/Brucellosis

- Future Policy/Issue Updates
- Manitoba TB Eradication
- Canadian Zoning (West Hawk Lake Zoning Initiative)

Featuring:

- **Dr. Maria Koller-Jones**, CFIA (Invited)
- **Dr. Ed Empringham**, Canadian Animal Health Coalition

Canada/US Updates on BT/Anaplasmosis

Featuring:

- **Dr. Elizabeth Parker**, National Cattlemen’s Beef Association
- **Dr. Brian McClusky** - USDA / APHIS

Industry’s Health-Related Import & Export Issues

- *Where are we at- paperwork, testing, & other irritants*
- *Identification of gaps & challenges*
- *Recommendations- harmonizing standards to improve trade*

Featuring:

- **John Masswohl**, Canadian Cattlemen’s Association
- **Jack Field**, WA Cattlemen’s Association

Animal Diseases Open Discussion – Informal information sharing

Energy I

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Monday July 13th

AFTERNOON SESSION – 2:00pm-5:00pm

Room: Peregrines

Innovation in Traditional energy in a Carbon-Constrained World

- *What innovation and technological improvements are making our traditional energy sources cleaner and more carbon friendly?*
- *How can the region collaborate on sharing innovation to continue to provide energy to North America?*

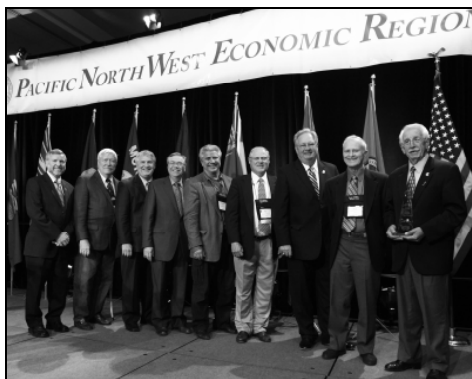
Featuring:

- Oil Sands – **Surindar Singh**, Alberta Energy Research Institute
- Gas – **Gary Weiling**, Spectra Energy VP Strategic Development and External Affairs

Alaska Natural Gas Pipeline Development – Roundtable

- **Tony Palmer**, TransCanada Vice-President of Alaska Development
- **Bob Bleaney**, Denali Canada Alaska Gas Pipeline

Dialogue and Discussion: Action Items



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Innovation

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Rep. Glenn Anderson
Washington



Dave Zepponi
President, NW Food
Processors Assoc.

Monday July 13th

AFTERNOON SESSION- 2:00pm – 5:00pm

Room: Firs/Cottonwoods

Regional University Presidents' Roundtable (2:00 pm – 3:30 pm)

Featuring:

- **Elson Floyd**, Washington State University;
- **Bruce Shepard**, Western Washington University
- **Rodolfo Arevalo**, Eastern Washington University;
- **Loren Anderson**, Pacific Lutheran University;
- **Wim Wiesel**, Portland State University;
- **Bob Kustra**, Boise State University;
- **Duane Nellis**, University of Idaho;
- **Arthur Vailas**, Idaho State University;
- **Marvin Henberg**, College of Idaho;
- **Vianne Timmons**, University of Regina;
- **Michael Stevenson**, Simon Fraser University;
- **Ralph Nilson**, Vancouver Island University;
- **Bill Cade**, University of Lethbridge

Possible discussion topics:

Technology Drives Innovation, Innovation Creates new Industries. The role universities play in economic development is essential to compete in an increasingly global innovation economy.

- *Role of universities in economic development and growth*
- *Dealing with economic challenges in the current environment*
- *Opportunities for cross-border relationships, collaboration, research*
- *Could/should universities play a role in the commercialization of technology*
- *Is there relevance and reason to partner with PNWER working groups*

Discussion on R&D collaboration and the future of collaborative research and innovation in the region-
Led by **Dave Zepponi** and **Rep. Glenn Anderson**

Innovation Workgroup (Continued)

- Coordinated innovation infrastructure in the Northwest
- Presentation: Industry-driven framework per CAST priorities
- Layout innovation plan and Practical Outcomes

Tourism/2010

Co-chairs



Sen. John Goedde
Idaho



Karen Ballard
Administrator, Idaho
Dept. of Commerce -
Tourism

Monday, July 13th

AFTERNOON SESSION – 2:00—5:00 pm

Room: Payete

2010 Olympics – Distributing Accurate, timely information to regional visitors

Tourism BC – Visitors Program Introduction:

Featuring:

- **Brooke Davis**, 2010 Ready Specialist, World Host Training Services
- **Taleeb Noormohamed**, Vancouver 2010, Director, Corporate Strategy & Partner

Traveler Information Services – 511

Featuring:

- **Peter Davies**, Castle Rock Consulting, CEO

Lessons in developing successful tourism associations

Featuring:

- **Stephen Regan**, President and CEO of Council of Tourism Industry Association
- **Arlene White**, Executive Director of Bi-National Tourism Alliance
- **Aubrey King**, Western States Tourism Policy Council, DC Representative
- **Karen Ballard**, Administrator, Idaho State Tourism

Monday, July 13 (continued)

6:30pm – 8:30 pm Reception Western Barbeque at the JR Simplot Stables (Buses will depart from the Grove Hotel beginning at 6:15 pm)

9:00pm – 11:00 pm Hospitality Suites hosted by Intermountain Gas – Grove Hotel Terrace Suites 4th Floor

Tuesday July 14

Tuesday, July 14

7:00am- 6:00pm

Registration – Meadow

Lobby

8:00am- 9:00am

Breakfast – Eagle Room

Keynote Speaker: Dean Allen, CEO, McKinstry

9:15am- 12:00pm

Concurrent Sessions (Cross-border Livestock Health, Energy II, Forestry, Healthcare, Homeland Security/Disaster Resilience)

Tuesday Morning Sessions

Cross-border Livestock Health Conference

Co-Chairs



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Tuesday, July 14th

MORNING SESSION – 9:30am – 12:30pm

Room: Willows/Pines

Animal Welfare

OIE (Office International des Epizooties/World Organisation for Animal Health) Overview on Animal Welfare

Featuring:

- **Tianna MacInnes**, CFIA

Industry Meeting Consumer Requirements on Animal Welfare

- **Dr. Mike Siemens**, Cargill

Canadian Dairy & Beef Animal Care

NEW Dairy & Beef Codes of Practice

Future Assessment Process

- **Dr. Ed Empringham**, Canadian Animal Health Coalition

Agenda

Cross Border Livestock Health (Continued)

Animal Welfare – A Marketing Perspective

- **Jay Theiler**, Executive Director of Marketing, Agri-Beef (invited)

US Dairy Animal Care Handling Guidelines

- **Jay Gordon**, Washington State Dairy Federation

Animal Welfare Open Discussion – Informal information sharing

Cross Border Conference Follow-up

- Where to go from here?
- Meeting wrap up/Feedback Questionnaire/Closing Remarks

Energy II

Co-chairs



Rep. George Eskridge
Idaho State Legislature



Paul Manson
President, Seabreeze
Power Corp.

Tuesday, July 14th

MORNING SESSION 9:15am – 12:15pm

Room: Peregrines

Opportunities for Export and Development of Renewables in the PNWER Region

- Producers' Perspective
- American Wind Energy Association
- **Andrew Walls**, Ocean Energy Resources Group (Canada)

Roundtable Discussion: Developers' Perspective

- **Denise Hill**, Northwest Independent Power Producer Council (NIPPC)
- **Rupert Legge**, Plutonic Power, Independent Power Producers of BC (IPPBC)
- **Dawn Farrell**, TransAlta

Renewable Energy Credits

- **Robert Kelly**, VP Commercialization, Frontier Wind

Roundtable on Action Items for Renewable Energy Targets and Waxman Bill

Forestry

Chair



Sen. Lee Heinrich
Idaho State Senator

Tuesday, July 14th

MORNING SESSION – 9:15am – 12:15pm

Room: Firs/Cottonwoods

Opening and Welcome- **Sen. Lee Heinrich**, Member of the Western Legislative Forestry Taskforce

Current Economic Situation in the Regional Forest Products Business Sector

Featuring:

- **Marc Brinkmeyer**, Chairman, Idaho Forest Group

The Forestry/Bio-Energy Carbon Connection; the Importance of Industry Infrastructure

Featuring:

- **Dr. Jay O'Laughlin**, University of Idaho

County Issues and Opportunities

Featuring:

- **Gordon Cruickshank**, Valley County Commissioner, Idaho;
- **Ken Postma**, Forest Health Consultant, Former Boise Cascade Logging Manager

Biomass to Energy Opportunities-

Featuring:

- **David Naccarato**, Business Development Manager, McKinstry Co.

Inland West Carbon Accounting: Fire, Climate, Product Substitution and Policy-

Featuring:

- **Dr. Elaine O'Neil**, Inland West Carbon Accounting

Closing- **Sen. Lee Heinrich**

Homeland Security & Disaster Resilience

Chair



Colonel Bill Shawver
Director, Idaho Bureau
of Homeland Security

Tuesday, July 14th

MORNING SESSION – 9:30am-12:15pm

Room: Kestrels

PNWER Center for Regional Disaster Resilience: current regional initiatives –

Featuring:

- **Dr. Paula Scalingi**, Director, PNWER Center for Regional Disaster Resilience

2009 Dam Exercise Series – Columbia River Basin – Preliminary outcomes from exercises and workshops

- **Bill Christman**, Hydro Engineer Manager, Chelan PUD
- **Gayla Ernst**, Director of Emergency Management, Walla Walla County
- **Gina Webber**, US Army Corps of Engineers

Regional Information Sharing Initiatives – Alberta Emergency Management Decision Support Initiative (EMDSI) and the WA Fusion Center-Critical Infrastructure Initiative

- **David Hodgins**, Managing Director, Alberta Emergency Management Agency
- **Brandon Hardenbrook**, Deputy Director, Pacific Northwest Economic Region

Potential Cross-Border/Regional Initiatives

- Roundtable Discussion identifying and prioritizing candidate activities



PNWER Welcomed Saskatchewan to the organization at the 18th Annual Summit

Left: Rep. George Eskridge, Matt Morrison, Hon. Bill Boyd, SK, Joan McIntyre, MLA BC, Deputy Premier Ron Stevens, AB

Workforce (Energy Pipelines)

Co-chairs



Rep. Deb Wallace
Washington



Neil Windsor
Executive Director,
APEGGA

Tuesday, July 14

MORNING SESSION – 9:45am-12:15pm

Room: Payete

NOTE: This session will be split between an initial report on the Pipeline Workforce Project that PNWER is currently undertaking. The second portion is focused on the development of a potential PNWER Northern Pipeline Coordination Council.

Workforce:

PNWER Alaska Pipeline Labor Issues Report-

- *What resources will be required to build the Alaska natural gas pipeline?*
- *What are the labour issues that will need to be addressed prior to launching this major initiative?*

Featuring: **Dave Coutts** - DC Connections

Roundtable discussion on workforce, logistics and services needs for Pipeline Mega projects

Pipeline Council:

Led by **Senator Lesil McGuire(AK)** and **Minister Jim Kenyon (YK)**

Facilitated scoping discussion on the Northern Pipeline Coordination Council

- *What is the concept?*
- *Who will be involved and how will it operate?*
- *What will be the issues that it will address?*
- *What are the next steps in the development of the council?*

Agenda

Workforce/Energy (continued)

Invited Participants:

- **Tony Palmer**, TransCanada, Vice President Alaska Development
- **Bob Bleaney**, Denali Canada's General Manager, Integration

Tuesday, July 14 (continued)

12:30pm – 1:30pm Luncheon Keynote Speaker:
Hon. Gary Lunn, Minister of State for Sport

2:00pm – 5:00pm Working Group Sessions
(Energy Innovation, Healthcare, Homeland Security/Disaster Resilience, Water)

Tuesday Afternoon Sessions

Energy II (Energy Innovation)

Co-chairs



Rep. George Eskridge
Idaho State Legislature



Paul Manson
President, Seabreeze
Power Corp.

Tuesday, July 14th

AFTERNOON SESSION - 2:00pm-5:00pm

Room: Peregrines

INL-Alberta Research Council: Bi-National Regional Energy Innovation

- Regional opportunities
- The Role of National Labs
- INL regional relationships

Featuring:

- **Vice Admiral John Grossenbacher** (Ret.), Director Idaho National Lab

Panel 1: Emerging regional interests in nuclear energy

- U.S. Regional situation - **Dave Hill**, INL
- Alberta & Saskatchewan situation - **Milt Wakefield**, Bruce Power
- Washington situation – **Vic Parrish**, CEO Energy Northwest

Panel 2: The Western Energy Corridor: Opportunities and Leadership

- Overview - **Mike Hagood**, INL
- Idaho - **Paul Kjellander**, Administrator, Office of Energy Resources, ID
- Montana - **Tom Kasierski**, Energy Advisor to Governor Schweitzer
- Saskatchewan & Alberta – **Iain Harry**, Crown Investments Corporation, SK

Panel 3: I-5 Corridor Advanced Vehicle Demonstrations

- DOE program and Regional Demonstrations: **Jim Francfort**, INL
- Washington – **Jeff Morris**
- Oregon – **Rick Wallace**, Policy Analyst, Oregon DOE
- British Columbia – **Alec Tsang**, BC Hydro

Healthcare

Co-chairs



Rep. Julie French
Montana



John Sproule
Sr. Policy Director
Inst. of Health Economics

Tuesday, July 14th

AFTERNOON SESSION – 2:00pm – 5:00 pm

Room: Firs/Cottonwoods

Health Evidence Network: Examples of best practice in PNWER region; (Perspectives from Payors, Professors and Patients)

- *How can we use evidence based medicine to make better policy decisions?*
- *What are current initiatives underway in our region that involve evidence based medicine?*
- *How can our region better coordinate and share information to create a regional Health Evidence Network?*

Featuring:

- **Glenn Monteith**, Assistant Deputy Minister, Alberta Health and Wellness
- **Mark Gibson**, Executive Director, Centre for Evidence Based Policy
- **Molly Mettler**, Senior Vice President of Mission

International Comparative Health Policy

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Healthcare (continued)

- How does the US/Canada compare to the rest of the world in health policy?

What lessons can be learned from best practices from across the globe in health policy?

- How can we make better informed policy decisions based on current trends?

Featuring:

International Comparative Health Policy –**Dr. Don Philippon** – an overview of international health policies (trends)

Border Health Alliance: Update on Memorandum of Understanding between PNWER States and Provinces to partner on public health emergencies

- How can the region work together to make our healthcare sector more resilient?

Homeland Security & Disaster Resilience



Colonel Bill Shawver
Director, Idaho Bureau
of Homeland Security

Tuesday, July 14

AFTERNOON SESSION – 2:00pm -5:00pm

Room: Kestrels

Cyber impacts to critical infrastructure and businesses: special demonstration by Idaho National Lab

Red team (offensive) vs. Blue team (defensive) demonstration of how government and businesses are vulnerable to cyber attacks

New Modeling and Simulation and Quick Look Planning Tools for Pandemic Influenza

Featuring:

- **Robert Brigantic**, Pacific Northwest National Lab



PNWER Delegates with Alaska Governor Sarah Palin (center) in January 2009

Water Policy

Co-chairs



Rep. John "Bert"
Stevenson
Idaho



David Hill
Program Director
AB Water
Research Institute

Tuesday, July 14

AFTERNOON SESSION – 2:00pm -5:00pm

Room: Merlins

Overview of the Columbia Basin- Overview of the hydrology and layout of the Columbia Basin, an international river of significance in Canada and the United States. Getting your bearings about the facilities and importance of the Columbia Basin will add specific context to an overview of the Columbia Basin Treaty and its future renewal/renegotiation.

Featuring:

- **Gerald Sehlke**, Idaho National Lab; President, American Water Resources Association

The Columbia Basin Treaty (An Experience in Complexity) What are treaty issues? What are domestic issues of the respective countries, provinces and states? Why is this treaty and its future of importance throughout the PNWER region.

Featuring:

- **Chris W Sanderson**, Partner, Lawson Lundell LLP (original treaty negotiator)

Science, Policy and Practice: Bridging the Gap-

Presentation on the recent thinking around mechanisms, processes, pitfalls and success of better integration of science, policy and practice. One of the key challenges to making progressive evidence based decisions,

Agenda

Water Policy (continued)
regulations and adapting to new practices has to do with how these communities relate to each other and what their expectations are of each other.

Featuring:

- **David Hill**, Program Director, Alberta Water Research Institute; President, Canadian Committee on Irrigation and Drainage

Economic and Other Interesting Instruments- the usefulness of economic policy and other instruments with specific reference to dealing with issues of water scarcity. Whether it be recovering water for instream uses or finding water in support of new developments or water uses.

Featuring:

- **Clay Landry**, Managing Director, WestWater Research LLC
Cyber impacts to critical infrastructure and business, special demonstration by Idaho National Lab

Tuesday July 14th

5:30pm – 7:00pm Reception, Hosted by Idaho National Lab- Meadows Lobby

9:00pm – 12:00am Hospitality Suites hosted by APEGGA, APEGBC, APEGS- Grove Hotel Terrace Suites, 4th Floor

Wednesday July 15

Wednesday, July 15th

7:00am- 2:00pm Registration – Meadow Lobby

8:00am- 9:00am Breakfast – Eagle Room
Keynote speaker: CEO Roundtable

9:15am- 12:00pm Concurrent Sessions
(Environment and Energy, Invasive Species, Transportation)

Wednesday Morning Sessions

Energy & Environment

Co-chairs



Joan McIntyre
MLA, BC



Mark Bowen
President,
CH2M Hill

Wednesday, July 15th

MORNING SESSION – 9:15am-12:00pm

Room: Merlins

Clean Energy Dialogue for the region

Carbon Capture and Sequestration

- Saskatchewan – **Mike Monea**, Sask Power
- Montana – **Tom Kasierski**, Energy Advisor to Governor Schweitzer
- **Gary Weiling**, Spectra Energy VP Strategic Development and External Affairs

Introduction to the North American Institute for Sustainable Energy

Featuring:

- **Iain Harry**, Crown Investments Corporation, SK

Western Inland Energy Corridor

Featuring:

- **Tom Kasierski**, Energy Advisor to Governor Schweitzer

Invasive Species

Co-chairs



Rep. Eric Anderson
Idaho



Dr. Mark Sytsma
Portland State Univ.

Wednesday, July 15th

MORNING SESSION – 9:15am-12:00am

Room: Payete

Invasive Species (continued)

State and Regional Efforts on Introduced Aquatic Species- Brief overview of significant elements of each state's program:

Degree of collaboration within the state and examples of cross-border cooperation

Effectiveness of Invasive Species Council:

Featuring:

- **Amy Ferriter**, Idaho State Department of Agriculture
- **Mark Sytsma**, Co-director, Aquatic Bioinvasion Research & Policy Institute, Portland State University
- **Allen Pleus**, AIS Coordinator, WA Department of Fish and Wildlife
- **Sgt. Eric Anderson**, AIS Coordinator, WA Department of Fish and Wildlife
- **Tammy Davis**, AIS Coordinator, Alaska

Regional Activities– Roles, Gaps, Etc

- **Stephen Phillips**, PSMFC
- **Erin Williams**, USFWS (invited)
- **Paul Heimowitz**, USFWS (invited)

Cross-border Coordination

- Outreach for Partnerships – WGA, Northwest PCC, others?
- Action items for improved cross-border coordination

Transportation

Co-chairs



Sen. John McGee
Idaho



Bruce Agnew
Policy Director,
Cascadia

Wednesday, July 15th

MORNING SESSION – 9:15am-11:45am

Room: Kestrels

Opportunities for improving the Northwest Rail System through the Stimulus Package

Update on the Cascadia Corridor and Federal Funding – Featuring:

- **Bruce Agnew**, Policy Director, Cascadia

Addressing Global Challenges- Northwest Imperatives for the Future: Through Excellence, Innovation and Leadership
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(Re)opening new regional rail service

Featuring:

- **Bob Ford**, State Director of Business, Economic and Rural Development, Office of US Senator Crapo (ID),

Update of freight rail in the US–

Featuring:

- **Senator John McGee**, Idaho

Canadian freight rail overview

Featuring:

- **J.C. (Cliff) Mackay**, CEO and President, The Rail Association of Canada

Transportation Investments for the Future – How the Changing economy will change the focus of capital investments?

- **Jack Lemley**, Executive Advisor, Lemley International

Alaska-Yukon connection on the road and the pipeline
What do we want to address in the future for the Transportation working group and how can PNWER add value to the?

Wednesday July 15th

12:00pm – 1:15pm Luncheon Keynote
Speaker- **Hon. Floyd Roland, Northwest Territories**

1:30pm – 5:00pm Concurrent Sessions
(Energy II – Transmission,
Telecommunications)

3:00pm – 5:00pm PNWER Executive
Committee Meeting

Agenda

Wednesday Afternoon Sessions

Energy II (Energy Innovation)

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Rep. George Eskridge
Idaho State Legislature



Paul Manson
President, Seabreeze
Power Corp.

Wednesday, July 15th

AFTERNOON SESSION – 1:30pm – 5:00pm

Room: Peregrines

Building a Transmission System for the Future System Operators

- **Steve Wright**, Administrator, Bonneville Power Administration
Report on transmission build out, and new \$3.2 Billion in borrowing authority given to BPA by Congress
- **Neil Millar**, VP Transmission, Alberta Electric System Operator
- **Mary Hemmingsen**, Managing Director E Three

Private Sector – Cross Border Transmission

- **Russ Hantho**, Northern Lights – TransCanada
- **Rohan Soulsby**, Canada-Northern California (CNC)
- **Rod Lenfest**, Sr. VP Sea Breeze Power Regional Transmission Systems Juan de Fuca/ Triton (SeaBreeze),
- **Johan van't Hof**, CEO Tonbridge Power, Montana – Alberta Tie Line
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Development of Action Items and Regional Discussion

Telecommunications

Co-chairs



Sen. Curt McKenzie
Idaho



Don Pumphrey
VP, NorthwestTel

Wednesday, July 15th

AFTERNOON SESSION – 1:30pm – 3:30pm

Room: Firs/Cottonwoods

Regional Best Practices for Broadband deployment – Presentations on current broadband deployment strategies across the region and throughout the world:

- PNWER Working Group Members

Broadband Access and Economic Development – The impact of Canada and U.S. Economic Stimulus Packages on the industry:

- **Bill Gillis**, LinkAlliance America
- **Wilf Bangert**, Executive Director, Network BC

Action Items – Next steps for the Working Group

- Interactive Audience Session

Wednesday, July 15th (continued)

6:00pm – 8:30pm Canada Banquet – Featuring
Calgary Summit 2010 – Eagle Room

9:00pm – 11:00pm Hospitality Suites – Grove Hotel,
Rapids Suites 319 & 320

Thursday July 16

Thursday, July 16th

7:00am- 9:00 pm Idaho National lab Policy Tour
(Advanced Registration Required)

Buses depart at 7:00 am from the Grove Hotel and
return at 9:00 pm.

Banner Bank Building Green Work Space

Boise, Idaho

Tuesday, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

Overview:

The Banner Bank Building in downtown Boise is Idaho's first LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Platinum rated building— the highest rating available from the US Green Building Council. This eleven story, 180,000 square foot, building uses 50% less energy than a typical office building of its size. Sustainable features are apparent throughout the building including rainwater and gray water recycling, geothermal heat, recycled construction materials and raised flooring. The building provides state of the art indoor environmental quality meaning tenants enjoy superior air quality and daylighting.

The tour will point out and discuss the sustainable features of the building. It will also detail why the Banner Bank Building was designed and constructed, and is being operated with, sustainable design principles as a guiding focus.



Clear Springs

Buhl, Idaho

Tuesday 11:30 am - 5:30 pm

Overview:

Clear Springs Foods is a vertically integrated company. From our state-of-the-art farm, feed manufacturing, processing plant, and research facilities, to our latest specialty products production facility, our dedicated people are the key to our success. They are committed to producing the highest quality products available.



Healthwise Communications

Boise, Idaho

Wednesday, 1:30 - 5:00 pm

Overview:

Healthwise, a non-profit organization in Boise, Idaho, develops consumer health information that helps people make better health decisions. Healthwise information can already be found in Canadian provinces and U.S State Governments. The Province of British Columbia has given every BC resident a copy of a Canada-specific Healthwise Handbook called the BCHealthGuide. Idaho's neighboring states, Wyoming and Montana, have included consumer-focused outreach as a part of their State Medicaid program.

The Healthwise tour would include a presentation by Donald W. Kemper, Healthwise founder and CEO. He will discuss the three challenges facing health care along with the Healthwise mission and the need for health care to focus on the patient. Healthwise will then have breakout sessions addressing high-tech solution products, health literacy, and other topics. The tour would close with a discussion of how to build successful health

information systems for the future.

Idaho Wine Country Tour

Boise, Idaho

Sunday, 1:00 - 5:00 pm

Overview:

Idaho Vintners Greg Koenig and Ron Bitner will host a group of participants for a tour of two of Idaho's finest locally, family owned wineries and provide a briefing on the establishment of Idaho's first wine appellation district – the Snake River Appellation. This will be a nice opportunity for participants to see the agricultural country around the greater Treasure Valley area, enjoy some fresh air and learn about wine-making in Idaho.

Micron

Boise, Idaho

Wednesday, 9:15 - 11:15 am

Overview:

Micron Technology is one of the world's leading providers of advanced semiconductor solutions. Micron's DRAM and Flash components are used in today's most advanced computing, networking, and communications products, including computers, workstations, servers, cell phones, wireless devices, digital cameras, and gaming systems.

The Micron policy tour will involve an inside look at the Micron site and will include presentations on their latest product innovations, rich history and more. Micron staff will lead these discussions and will stop at various locations where people can see how Micron brings its innovations to life.



NIFC

Boise, Idaho

Monday, 2:00-5:15 pm

Overview:

The National Interagency Fire Center (NIFC) was created in 1965 because the US Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management (BLM), and National Weather Service saw the need to work together to reduce the duplication of services, cut costs, and coordinate national fire planning and operations. The National Park Service and Bureau of Indian Affairs joined BIFC in in the mid 1970s. The US Fish and Wildlife Service later joined in 1979. The Center's name was changed in 1993 from the National Interagency Fire Center to the National Interagency Fire Center to more accurately reflect its national mission.

Nunhems

Parma, Idaho

Wednesday, 1:30 pm - 5:00 pm

Overview:

Logistics: The vegetable seed business of Bayer CropSciences operates under the name of Nunhems. Nunhems is the global specialist in vegetable seeds and sharing products, concepts and expertise with the professional horticultural production industry and supply chain. Its portfolio includes leading varieties and brands in crops such as leek, onion, carrot, melon, cucumber, tomato, watermelon, lettuce, pepper and chicory witloof. Nunhems is among the world's four leading vegetable seed companies with an extensive range of 28 species and some 2,500 varieties. With more than 1,300 people Nunhems is present in all major vegetable production areas in more than 44 countries worldwide. Their North America operations are based in Parma, Idaho. Currently, the company is investing nearly \$19 million in an expansion. The Parma site has 150 full time



US Geothermal

Boise, Idaho

Monday, 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Overview:

US Geothermal is directed at working to responsibly develop geothermal energy resources for electrical power and direct uses. They strive to create enhanced value for their stakeholders while addressing America's domestic energy needs and promoting a clean environment.

US Geothermal and Ormat Technologies will make a presentation on their Raft River project and present a model of the power plant used at the project. The Raft River geothermal project is located in southern Idaho, approximately 200 miles SE of Boise and is the first commercial geothermal power plant in the Pacific Northwest. The power plant is an organic ranking (binary) cycle that was designed and constructed by Ormat Technologies.

US Geothermal currently owns and/or leases approximately 10.8 square miles of land with a proven geothermal reservoir which may be capable of producing up to 110 megawatts of power based on estimates from GeothermEx Inc. In an earlier study Raft River was rated first in the "Final High Temperature Ranking: Pacific Northwest" of geothermal sites in the four state Pacific Northwest region. Geothermal electric power plants typically have operating availabilities of 96% or higher and function as base load power generators, which is higher than hydro dams, coal and natural gas fired generators.

After the presentation attendees are invited to tour a facility using geothermal direct heat to see it in action. The tour will be led by Kent Johnson the geothermal manager for the city of Boise. Mr. Johnson will discuss "district heating" with regard to the Boise system which is the oldest and largest in the US.





PNWER Tour of Idaho National Laboratory and Craters of the Moon National Monument July 16, 2009

Tour: Join us on a day trip to Idaho National Laboratory (INL) and the unique Craters of the Moon National Monument. INL is the U.S. Department of Energy's lead laboratory for nuclear energy research. On the tour, you will see Experimental Breeder Reactor-I (EBR-I) – a National Historic Landmark where usable electricity was first generated from nuclear energy in 1951; and the Advanced Test Reactor – a working nuclear reactor that is the nation's most powerful and versatile materials test reactor. Craters of the Moon National Monument, often described as a “weird and scenic landscape,” is a vast ocean of lava flows with scattered islands of cinder cones and sagebrush. *Tour Requires 30 day advanced registration for security reasons



Craters of the Moon National Monument



INL's Advanced Test Reactor

Agenda:

- 7:30 a.m. Depart Boise Centre on the Grove in INL buses
- 10:30 a.m. Arrive at Craters of the Moon National Monument <http://www.nps.gov/crmo>
- 11:30 a.m. Serve boxed lunches in Craters picnic area
- 12:00 p.m. Board buses and depart for Experimental Breeder Reactor-1, Idaho National Laboratory
- 12:45 p.m. Tour EBR-1 (Group 1); Tour Advanced Test Reactor (Group 2)
- 2:30 p.m. Tour Advanced Test Reactor (Group 1)Tour EBR-1 (Group 2);
- 4:00 p.m. Board bus and return to Boise
- 5:30 p.m. Catered dinner at Picabo, ID Country Store
- 6:30 p.m. Board buses and return to Boise
- 9:00 p.m. Return to Centre on the Grove

The Discovery Center of Idaho and MK Nature Center

Boise, Idaho

1:00 PM, Monday 14th

Overview: A wildlife educator will lead an informative walk along The Morrison Knudsen Nature Center path. Guide will educate guests about Idaho wildlife and the importance of habitat, adaptation, conservation, and biodiversity. Groups get an underwater look at native fishes, and wildlife viewing abounds. During the visit to the Discovery Center, groups will be given approximately an hour to explore the 200 different in-house exhibits, as well as the exciting traveling exhibit.

Idaho Botanical Gardens and Old Idaho State Penitentiary

Also included: Museum of Mining and Geology

Boise, Idaho

1:00 PM, Tuesday 15th

Overview: A guide will lead the group through the Idaho Botanical Gardens, Old Penitentiary, and Museum of Mining and Geology explaining the history and unique qualities of each location has to offer. The Idaho Botanical Garden features fourteen themed gardens that have been designed and cultivated since 1984. At the Old Penitentiary, the historical interpreter will showcase the main prison yard, and cell houses. There will also be the opportunity for a self guided tour of the Museum of Mining and Geology.

World Center for Birds of Prey

Boise, Idaho

12:30 PM, Wednesday 16th


Overview: Jack Cafferty (Interpretive Center Director) will lead the group through The Velma Morrison Interpretive Center and Archives of Falconry, which make up the Peregrine Fund Organization. Established in 1970, The Peregrine Fund works nationally and internationally, to conserve birds of prey in nature. They conserve nature by achieving results, restoring species in jeopardy, conserving habitat, educating students, training conservationists, providing factual information to the public, and by accomplishing good science. Jack is very knowledgeable in all things “Birds of Prey” and will be happy to answer any questions along the tour.



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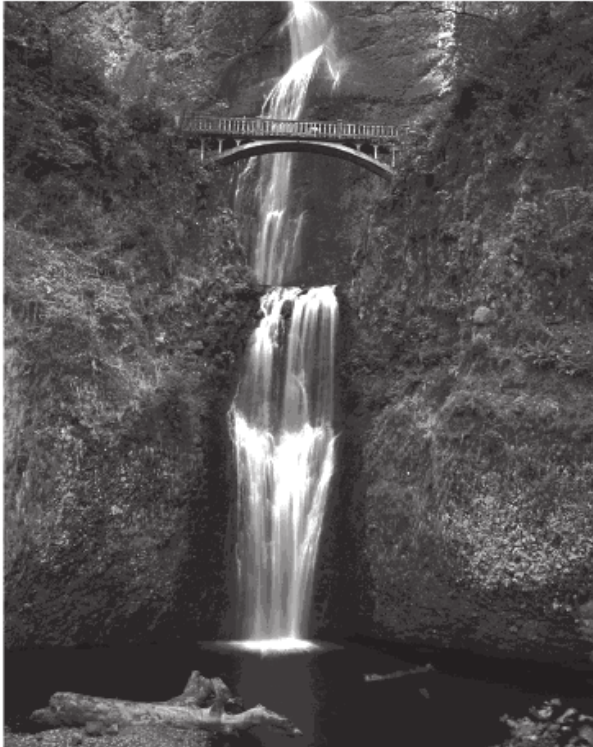
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INL's energy research spans the spectrum from nuclear-enabled hydrogen production (above) to bioenergy technology development (left).



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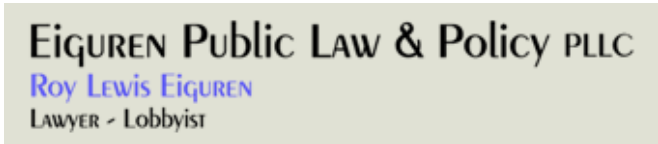
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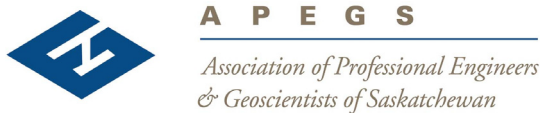
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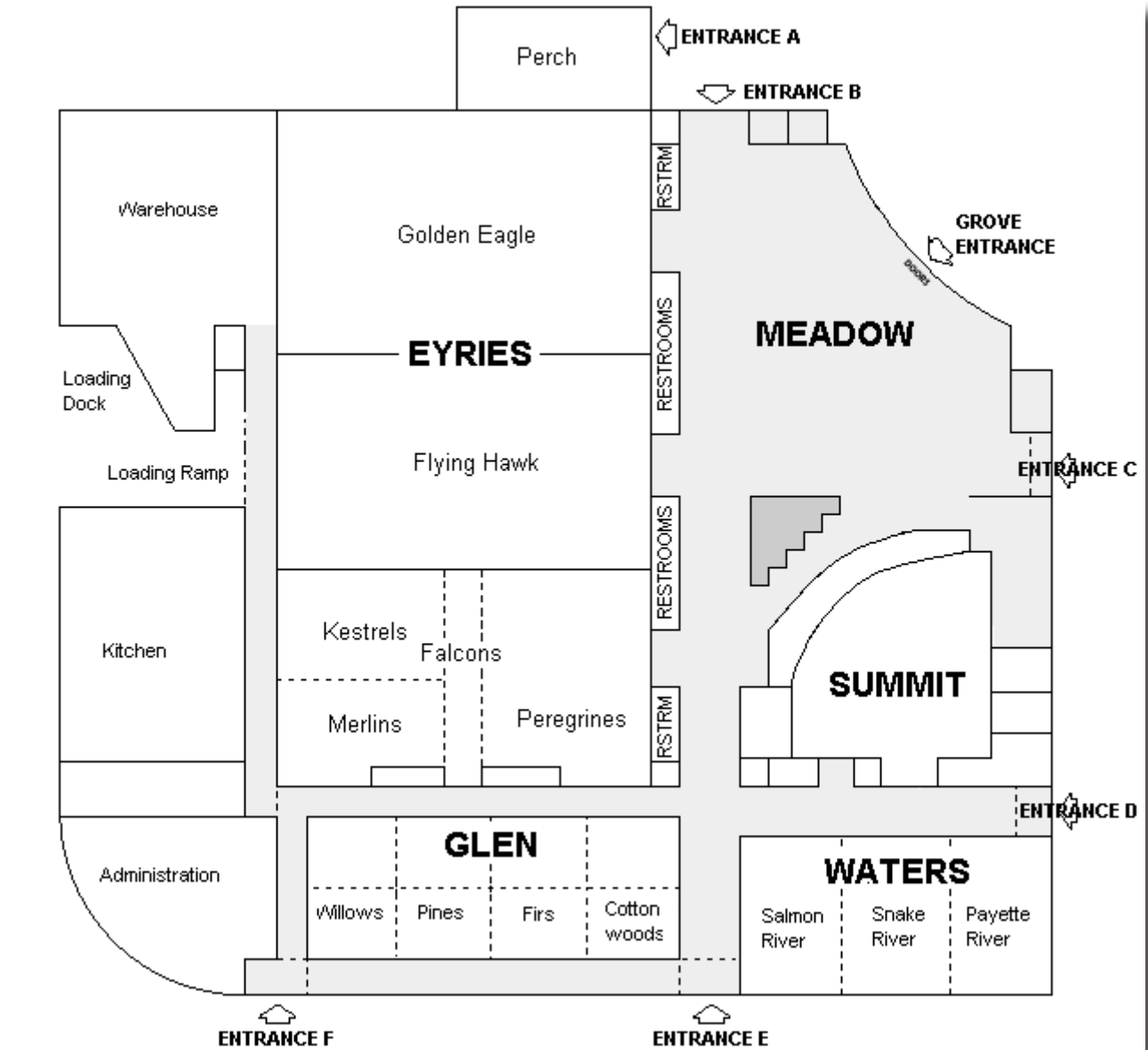
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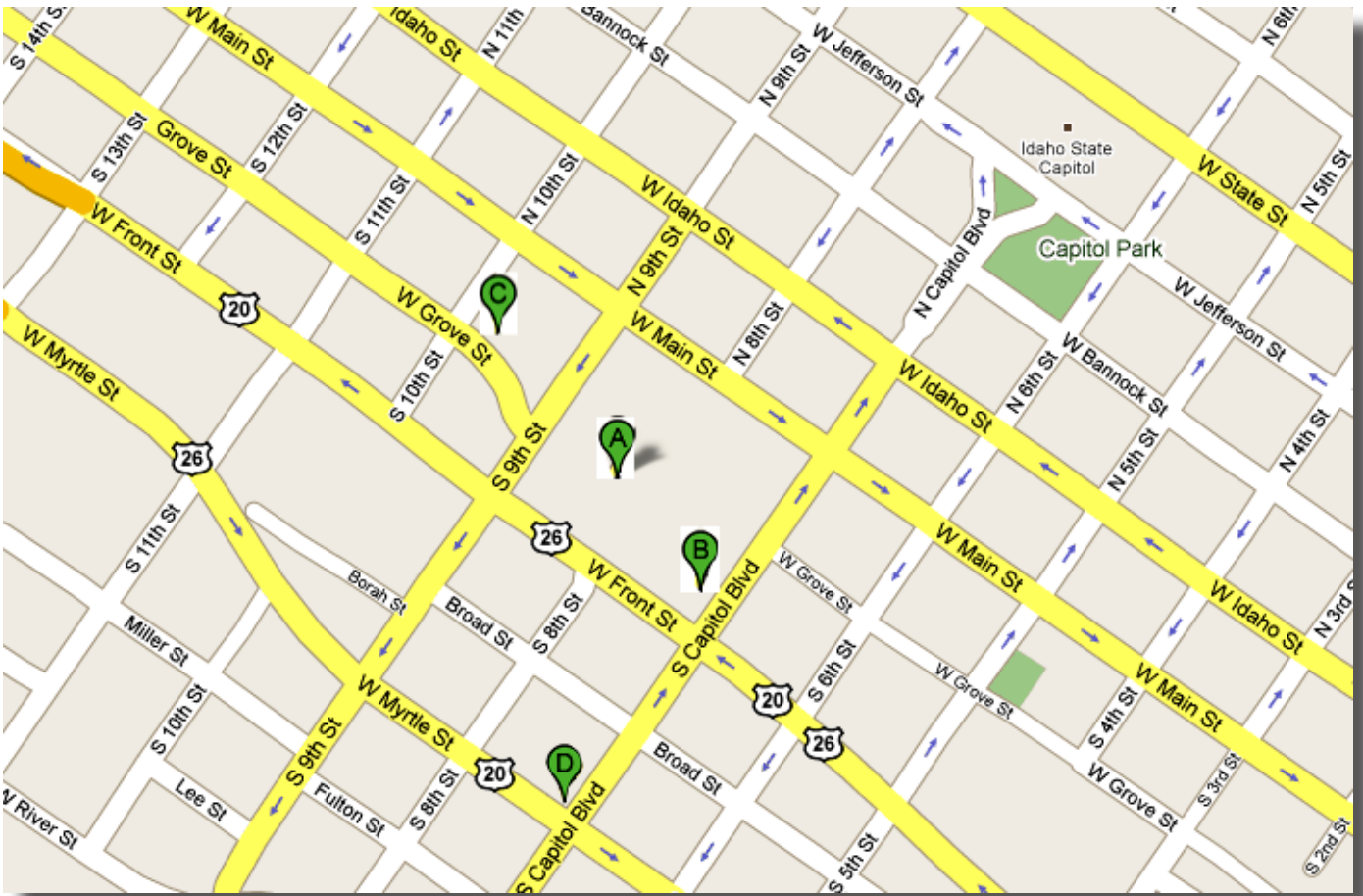
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Now it's time for Saskatchewan to return some of the warm hospitality we have experienced from former PNWER forum hosts. I invite all of you to attend the PNWER Legislative Academy and Economic Leadership Forum. The forum is being held November 4-7, 2009 in Regina, Saskatchewan, our capital city.

This forum is a tremendous opportunity to visit one of North America's strongest economies. Topics for discussion will include global competitiveness, responsible development of energy resources, agriculture and innovation.

I also invite you to use this event as an opportunity to visit some of Saskatchewan's world-class attractions and experience the warm welcome provided by the down-to-earth people who call this province home.

I look forward to seeing you in Saskatchewan this November.



Brad Wall
Premier of Saskatchewan

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Message from Honourable Ed Stelmach Premier of Alberta

I am pleased to invite you to attend next year's Pacific NorthWest Economic Region (PNWER) Annual Summit in Calgary, Alberta from July 17-20, 2010.

The PNWER Annual Summit is a productive forum for promoting collaboration among its regional partners. Next year's meeting promises to be an exciting gathering of legislators, business leaders and policy experts. It will be an opportunity to explore key issues such as energy, environment and the related topics of climate change, agriculture and trade.

Energy will be particularly appropriate as Alberta is the energy capital of Canada, and a key energy supplier for North America. We look forward to offering site visits including a visit to the oil sands in Fort McMurray to demonstrate firsthand how this world-scale resource is being developed in an environmentally responsible way.

While with us, you can experience the world famous Calgary Stampede, take a short drive to Banff National Park in the spectacular Canadian Rockies or visit the world-renowned Royal Tyrrell Museum of Paleontology in the nearby Alberta badlands.

I know you will enjoy the energy, culture and vitality of Calgary, and I look forward to seeing you at the 2010 PNWER Annual Summit.

Ed Stelmach

July 16, 2009

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