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Conference Map

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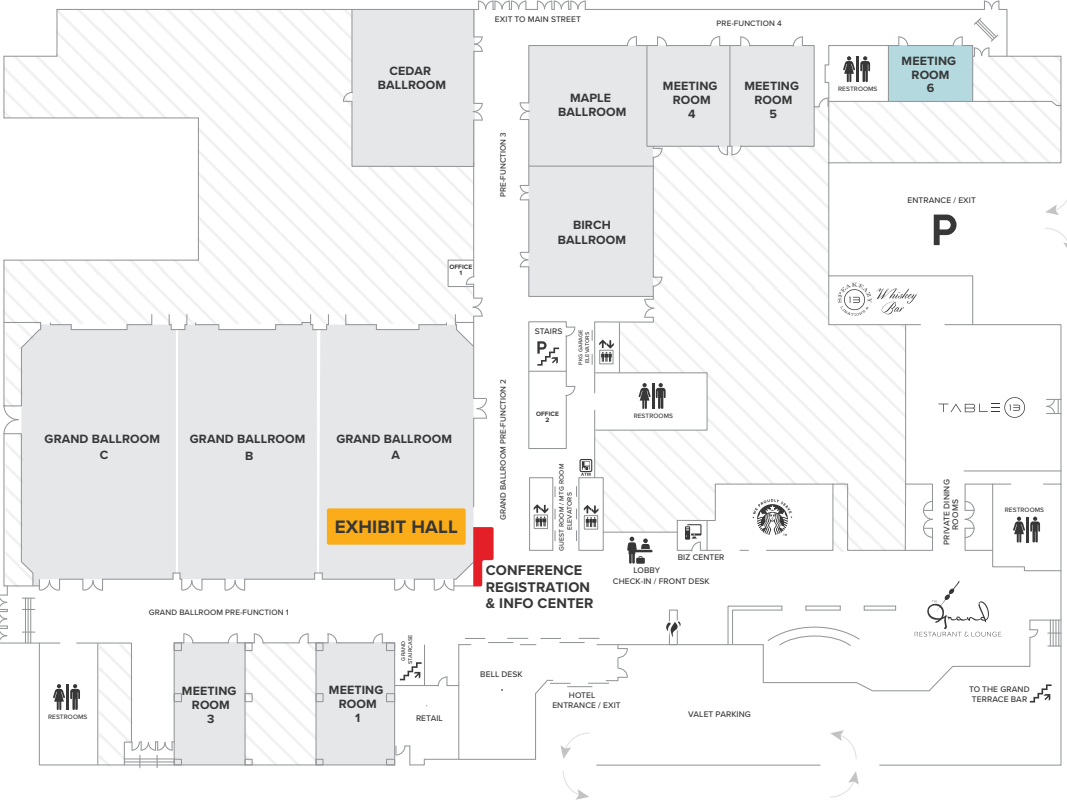
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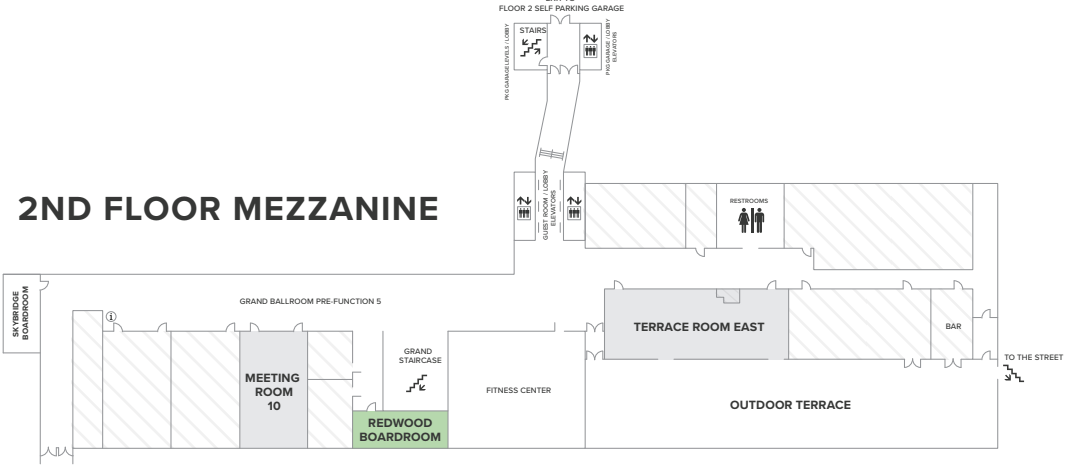
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EXHIBITOR HOURS

Wednesday, Nov. 15
7:00am - 5:30pm

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Thursday, Nov. 16
7:00am - 3:00pm

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WSAC Elections | 23-24

Have you cast your ballot for the WSAC Board of Directors?

Check your "Vote Now" email for a link to your ballot. Please visit the Registration and Information Center if you need help casting your ballot.

Polls Close Wednesday Nov. 15 at 1:00pm

Win Prizes! Join these Contests!



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Collect an extra drink ticket for Flatstick Pub for every 5 stamps you receive (max 3 extra tickets). **Stop by the Info Desk by 5:30pm on Wednesday for your tickets.**

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Please scan the QR code to begin your registration today! Or visit members.wsac.org

Agenda

Tuesday, November 14

7:00am - 5:00pm	Registration & Information Center	Grand Prefunction 2
8:00am - 10:00am	Timber and Public Lands Counties Caucus Meeting	Cedar Ballroom
10:00am - 11:30am	SWISS Meeting	Meeting Room 10
11:00am - 1:00pm	Buffet Lunch.	Grand Ballroom B
12:00pm - 3:00pm	WSAC Board of Directors Meeting	Cedar Ballroom
1:00pm - 5:00pm	WSU Extension Directors Affiliate Meeting	Meeting Room 10
1:00pm - 5:00pm	WACSWM Affiliate Meeting	Terrace Room East
1:00pm - 4:30pm	WSACE Business Meeting	Maple Ballroom
3:00pm - 5:00pm	WCAA Affiliate Meeting	Meeting Room 3
3:15pm - 6:00pm	Legislative Steering Committee Meeting	Cedar Ballroom
5:00pm - 7:00pm	Opening Reception.	Grand Ballroom A
7:00pm - 8:30pm	2nd Annual Bingo Night (Sponsored by Gordon Thomas Honeywell).	Grand Ballroom B
7:00pm - 10:00pm	Hospitality Suite	Presidential Suite (17th Floor)

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7:00am - 5:30pm	Registration & Information Center	Grand Prefunction 2
7:00am - 5:30pm	Exhibit Hall Open	Grand Ballroom A
7:00am - 8:00am	Breakfast (Sponsored by Sanitary Service Co) . .	Grand Ballroom B
8:00am - 9:35am	Opening Remarks & General Session: Washington, Lincoln, Roosevelt, Churchill: A Strategic Approach to Leading in Times of Crisis and Change	Grand Ballroom C

ABOUT THIS SESSION

MEET YOUR SPEAKER



Dr. Peter Cressy

Taking advantage of the lessons of history, this presentation identifies eight common traits that these four remarkable leaders used to guide their countries through times of great crisis and change. This presentation emphasizes the importance of strategic vision, effective communication, visibility, and collaboration in dealing with the inherent anxiety created by crisis and change, and in charting a positive way forward. These lessons and traits are as applicable to today's crises as they were in past years.

Wednesday Agenda Continued →

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- 8:15am - 5:00pm **WACSWM Affiliate Meeting** Terrace Room East
- 9:45am - 10:40am **Washington's Enduring Relevance: An Integrated Approach to Strategy, Leadership, and Management.** Meeting Room 1
Dr. Peter Cressy
 Modern leaders can learn a great deal from George Washington's special ability to fully integrate his strategic vision with his approach to leadership and management. This program, utilizing the lessons of history, reminds modern executives of the best traits of effective leadership and management and how they should be consistently guided by the strategic vision of the organization. Washington's approach to leadership and management are as relevant today as they were 250 years ago.
- 9:45am - 10:40am **Hot Topics in Land Use and Environmental Law** . . Meeting Room 4
Darren Carnell - Senior Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, King County
 This session addresses current issues in land use and environmental law. The presentation will include a summary of recent state and federal judicial and administrative decisions, as well as recently adopted legislation. *Full session description available in Whova.*
- 9:45am - 10:40am **Scaling Homeless Services Using the Foundational Community Supports Program** Meeting Room 5
Craig Dublanko - CEO, Coastal Community Action Program
 Washington's Homeless Housing Crisis continues to grow year after year. Faced with this complex and seemingly intractable problem, Counties are searching for innovative ways to address this crisis in their respective communities while lacking sufficient resources to scale solutions locally. This presentation will focus on how Coastal Community Action Program has utilized Washington's Foundation Community Supports program to create a fee for service case management model that can quickly scale and offer effective services to EVERY unsheltered community member who wants them. *Full session description available in Whova.*
- 9:45am - 5:00pm **WSU Extension Directors Affiliate Meeting** Meeting Room 10
- 9:45am - 11:45am **Counties Coastal Caucus Meeting** Meeting Room 3
- 9:45am - 3:45pm **WSACE Affiliate Meeting** Maple Ballroom
- 10:40am - 11:00am **Networking Break**
- 11:00am - 11:50am **Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) in Solid Waste Technical and Listening Session.** Meeting Room 1
Representative Liz Berry - State Representative
Adrian Tan - Northwest Product Stewardship Council
 The WRAP Act (HB 1131), proposed in 2023 by Representative Berry (36th District), would have established an Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) program for certain packaging and paper, set new requirements for using recycled material for new products, and created a container deposit system. Representative Berry and Representative Beth Doglio (22nd District) will be joined by county solid waste managers and staff to share and discuss the various impacts this and other EPR programs would have on local solid waste programs, how they connect to state waste reduction and climate goals, and what updates are expected based on feedback from stakeholders.

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- 11:00am - 11:50am **County Partnership with Department of Defense SkillBridge Program** Meeting Room 4
Christopher Dorcheus - Veteran Services Manager, Spokane County & Washington State Department of Veteran Affairs
 The DoD SkillBridge program matches service members with civilian employment opportunities that align with job training and work experience they gained during military duty. SkillBridge provides transitioning service members the ability to capitalize on training and development opportunities in the civilian sector so that they may grow and progress as professionals. SkillBridge programs can be hosted by public or private organizations that are vetted and approved by the Office of the Under-secretary of Defense for Personnel Readiness (USD(P&R)). *Full session description available in Whova.*
- 11:00am - 11:50am **Recon from the Inside: How to Get What Your County Needs from the State.** Meeting Room 5
Jane Wall - Executive Director, County Road Administration Board
Rob Coffman - Lincoln County Commissioner
 Are you struggling to get your road or bridge projects built? Is your public works budget impacting other priorities in your county? Let us re-introduce you to counties' best keep secret: a state agency with a board of self-governing, county members and a deeply experienced staff of experts dedicated to your success. An under-the-radar agency uniquely positioned to provide valuable insights into both worlds. Join our team for seven key strategies to get more results from your efforts with the State.
- 12:00pm - 1:15pm **Member Recognition Luncheon** Grand Ballroom B
- 1:30pm - 4:30pm **WSACRPD Affiliate Meeting.** Meeting Room 3
- 1:30pm - 2:25pm **The Power and Perils of AI's Role in County Government** Meeting Room 1
Americo Carvalho - Head – AI/ML GTM, World Wide Public Sector, AWS
Drew Simshaw, JD, LLM - Assistant Professor, Gonzaga Law School
Shannon Smith - IT Chief of Staff, King County
Krestin Bahr - Superintendent, Peninsula School District
 Artificial intelligence (AI) is rapidly transforming many aspects of our lives, including government. From streamlining service delivery to enhancing public safety, AI has the potential to make a significant positive impact on county government. However, it is important to be aware of the potential challenges and pitfalls of its use. *Full session description available in Whova.*
- 1:30pm - 2:25pm **MRSC Update** Meeting Room 4
Josh Klika - Procurement and Contracting Consultant, MRSC
 The 2023 legislation session had a significant impact on public works contracting for counties This presentation will highlight legislation and the specific changes to public works contracting a county will need to know. MRSC will also share the resources and free training opportunities available to counties to support implementation of these changes. *Full session description available in Whova.*

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1:30pm - 2:25pm	Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) in Solid Waste Technical and Listening Session. Meeting Room 5 Representative Liz Berry - State Representative Adrian Tan - Northwest Product Stewardship Council The WRAP Act (HB 1131), proposed in 2023 by Representative Berry (36th District), would have established an Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) program for certain packaging and paper, set new requirements for using recycled material for new products, and created a container deposit system. Representative Berry and Representative Beth Doglio (22nd District) will be joined by county solid waste managers and staff to share and discuss the various impacts this and other EPR programs would have on local solid waste programs, how they connect to state waste reduction and climate goals, and what updates are expected based on feedback from stakeholders.
2:25pm - 2:45pm	Networking Break (Sponsored by Republic Services)
2:45pm - 3:45pm	County Organizational Structure Meeting Room 1 Trisha Logue - Administrator, Skagit County Robin Campbell - Interim County Manager, Thurston County Cathy Mulhall - County Administrator, Chelan County Matt Rasmussen - Deputy Administrator Benton County Michael Jones - County Administrator, Island County Over the past year, a number of non-charter counties have explored changes to their county administrative structure for the departments and services overseen by the Board of County Commissioners. Come join the discussion, to learn and engage about county organizational structures with a panel of county administrators and managers.
2:45pm - 3:45pm	New Developments in the Voluntary Stewardship Program Meeting Room 4 Bill Eller - VSP Coordinator, Washington State Conservation Commission Learn about new developments in Washington State's Voluntary Stewardship Program (VSP). VSP protects critical areas using voluntary, incentive-based programs while seeking to maintain agricultural viability within participating counties. <i>Full session description available in Whova.</i>
2:45pm - 3:45pm	Internet for All in Washington: Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) and Digital Equity (DE); Federal Funding Programs to Deliver Internet for All in Washington Meeting Room 5 Tracey Yeager Blackburn - Broadband Program Specialist, U.S. Department of Commerce, National Telecommunications and Information Administration Mark Vasconi - Director, Washington State Broadband Office Learn the latest updates and progress in the federal Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment (BEAD) program, an historic infrastructure investment to make high-speed internet accessible to all Washingtonians.

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3:45pm - 4:00pm	Networking Break
4:00pm - 5:00pm	The Power of Inclusion Meeting Room 1 Carol Mensah - Community Action Manager, Pierce County Human Services Anika Moran - Special Advisor to the Director, Pierce County Participants will gain valuable, practical, low-cost tools for implementing Diversity, Equity and Inclusion programs in their agencies. Learn how to engage staff, address critical issues like microaggressions, identity caucuses, and how to delivery equitable services. Learn what steps to take to create a space and brave space for critical conversations on race and social justice issues in the workplace. Open to all but best suited for Directors and managers.
4:00pm - 5:00pm	The Justice Project: Whatcom County's Quest to Reduce Incarceration and Build a Safe, Humane Jail Meeting Room 4 Tyler Schroeder - Deputy County Executive, Whatcom County Kayla Schott-Bressler - Strategic Initiatives Manager, Whatcom County Jed Holmes - Community Outreach Facilitator, Whatcom County Correctional facilities are a core function of county government, however many county jails are becoming obsolete and ill-equipped to house and rehabilitate a growing population with significant behavioral and mental health challenges. With the costs of replacement facilities continuing to rise, counties turn to ballot propositions to raise funds for new jails. These ballot measures can face significant headwinds, including skepticism about the efficacy of the incarceration system and resistance to new taxes. After failing to win voter approval of public safety sales tax measures Whatcom County leaders went back to the drawing board. <i>Full description available in Whova.</i>
4:00pm - 5:00pm	Collaborative Forestry in Jefferson County – Innovation and New Tools in Forestry and Carbon Meeting Room 5 Heidi Eisenhour - County Commissioner, Jefferson County Sarah Ogden - DNR Trust Outreach Specialist In 2023 the legislature had it's first funding for the implementation of the Climate Commitment Act.. An \$83M proviso directed DNR to protect 2,000 acres of structurally complex forests vulnerable to logging, and purchase \$70 million of replacement lands, spend \$10 million on thinning and other efforts. Jefferson County has worked with DNR for 2+ years, and following the 2023 session, we sent a letter with strategies for future forestry and conservation work in our community which we will share, as well as talk about next steps. <i>Full description available in Whova.</i>
6:00pm - 8:30pm	Night Out: Flatstick Pub (Sponsored by NextEra Energy)
8:00pm - 10:00pm	Hospitality Suite Presidential Suite (17th Floor)

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Thursday, November 16

7:00am - 3:00pm	Registration & Information Center Grand Prefunction 2
7:00am - 3:00pm	Exhibit Hall Open Grand Ballroom A
7:00am - 8:00am	Breakfast (Sponsored by ImageSource) Grand Ballroom B
8:00am - 10:30am	WSAC General Membership Meeting Cedar Ballroom
8:30am - 12:00pm	WSACE Affiliate Meeting Maple Ballroom
8:30am - 2:30pm	WSU Extension Directors Affiliate Meeting Meeting Room 10
9:30am - 12:00pm	Joint Transportation Committee Meeting Birch Ballroom
10:30am - 10:45am	Networking Break (Sponsored by WM)
10:45am - 11:45am	JTC County Engineer Panel Birch Ballroom The Joint Transportation Committee (JTC) is a bipartisan, bicameral legislative agency governed by the Chairs and Ranking Members of the House and Senate Transportation Committees. The JTC has traditionally held their November meeting in conjunction with the County Leaders Conference to give the Washington State Association of County Engineers (WSACE) an opportunity to provide an update on the county transportation system. Join your colleagues for an update from WSACE and a dialogue with County Engineers regarding the challenges of funding county transportation needs within the current uncertain economic times.
10:45am - 11:45am	Pathways to Employee Benefits & Wellbeing Meeting Room 1 Rochelle Tolliver - Marketing Manager & Senior Account Executive, Washington Counties Insurance Fund Janean Cargil - Wellness Director & Employee Liaison, Washington Counties Insurance Fund Lisa Sbai - Lead Senior Account Executive, Washington Counties Insurance Fund Employers are facing very difficult decisions when it comes to benefit and compensation packages. Not only are budgets being stretched to a breaking point, benefits must be packaged well for those looking to attract, retain and engage workers. To remain competitive, business leaders need to seriously consider what current and prospective employees need and value.
10:45am - 11:45am	Stabilizing Local Health Jurisdictions; Successful Investments in FPHS Meeting Room 4 Jaime Bodden - Managing Director, WSALPHO This session will provide an update on where local FPHS investments are being made across the state, examples of building successful new models of service, how the local workforce is evolving and growing to meet system gaps, and considerations and reminders for local board of health members and elected officials.
12:00pm - 1:30pm	Lunch and Closing Session: "Governing on the Ground" - A Discussion with WSAC members, Past and Present (Sponsored by WCIF) Grand Ballroom B
1:45pm - 3:45pm	Columbia River Caucus Meeting Meeting Room 3

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1:45pm - 2:45pm	Bringing Film and Economic Dollars to Rural Counties Meeting Room 1 Amy Lillard - Washington Filmworks Sherrye Wyatt - Rural Economic Development Manager, Washington Filmworks Rose Noble - CEO, Visit Spokane Melissa Huggins - Deputy Director, Whipsmart Washington State has a long history of hosting high profile Hollywood movies and television shows. From Elvis Presley starring in It Happened at the World's Fair filmed in the 1960s to more recent blockbusters like Top Gun Maverick in 2022, Washington's breathtaking iconic locations have served as the backdrop to some unforgettable movie moments. Since 2006 Washington Filmworks has been at the center of all the film action facilitating and funding productions all over the state. With increased funding from the legislature, the organization is expanding its impact with new workforce development programs, a national campaign to attract projects to rural Washington and increased resources for jurisdictions across the state to help make communities film ready. Join a panel of film industry leaders as they pull back the curtain and give you a sneak peek behind the scenes of what happens on film sets and discuss how your community can take advantage of the economic opportunities that the creative economy provides.
1:45pm - 2:45pm	How County and City Co-Response Programs are Improving Behavioral Health Care in Washington Meeting Room 4 Carrie Christiansen - Mental Health Coordinator, Spokane Police Department Kim Hendrickson - Director, City of Poughkeepsie Housing, Health, and Human Services Department Malora Christensen - Response Systems Manager, Whatcom County Erika Lautenbach - Director, Whatcom County Health Department Co-response, or the practice of embedding behavioral health and clinical teams within the first response system, has become an invaluable local and regional tool across the state to address and serve people experiencing behavioral health emergency. Co-response is an essential service for many fire departments, police departments, 911 call centers, counties, cities - and it is a critical part of the state's behavioral health crisis response system.
5:00pm - 7:00pm	Dinner in Downtown Spokane Visit the Registration & Information Center to RSVP



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Affiliate Agenda



Timber Counties Caucus

Tuesday, November 14

- 8:00am - 8:05am **Call to Order, Welcome, Introductions & Approval of the Agenda** Cedar Ballroom
Chairman Lannen
- 8:05am - 8:10am **Approval of Minutes from 9/20/23**
Chairman Lannen
- 8:10am - 8:45am **Wildland Fire Status Report and Season Review**
George Geissler - State Forester and Deputy Supervisor for Wildfire, DNR
- 8:45am - 9:30am **County Forestry Program Presentations**
Kathleen Farley Wolf - Forester, King County
Chris Awwad - Skamania County
- 9:30am - 10:00am **NW Forest Management Plan Update Process**
Jackie Groce - Director, Resource Planning and Monitoring, USFS
- 10:00am **Meeting Adjournment**
Chairman Lannen



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- Workforce Development
- MBE/WBE Engagement
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- Performance Contracting
- Alternative funding methods

Affiliate Agenda



Washington State Association of County Engineers

Tuesday, November 14

- 7:00am - 5:00pm **Registration** Grand Prefunction 2
- 1:00pm - 3:30pm **WSACE Business Meeting** Maple Ballroom
Roll Call
President's Report - Scott Yaeger
Secretary/Treasurer's Report - Tony Garcia Morales
Managing Director's Report - Axel Swanson
Committee Reports - Axel Swanson
Eastern District Report - Craig Erdman
Western District Report - Susan Eugenis
NACE Report - Matt Pietrusiewicz
Agency Reports - CRAB, FMSIB, TIB, FBRB, and WSDOT Local Programs
- 3:00pm - 3:30pm **Networking Break**
- 3:30pm - 4:30pm **NACE President-Elect**
NACE Report - Stephen McCall P.E., P.S.
- 4:30pm - 5:30pm **WSACE Board Meeting**
Legislative Priorities and Budget Update - Scott Yaeger
- 5:00pm - 7:00pm **Opening Reception.** Grand Ballroom A
- 7:00pm - 8:30pm **2nd Annual Bingo Night**
(Sponsored by Gordon Thomas Honeywell). . . . Grand Ballroom B

Wednesday, November 15

- 7:00am - 8:00am **Breakfast (Sponsored by Sanitary Service Co)** .. Grand Ballroom B
- 8:00am - 9:35am **Opening Remarks & General Session** Grand Ballroom C
with Admiral Peter Cressy
- 9:35am - 9:45am **Networking Break**
- 9:45am - 10:40am **ER&R Programs – Tracking and Rate Setting Roundtable/Leadership Workshop** Maple Ballroom

Wednesday Agenda Continued →

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10:40am - 11:00am	Networking Break	
11:00am - 11:50am	Recon from the Inside: How to Get What Your County Needs from the State	Meeting Room 5
12:00pm - 1:15pm	Member Recognition Luncheon	Grand Ballroom B
1:30pm - 2:25pm	MRSC Update	Meeting Room 4
2:25pm - 2:45pm	Networking Break	
2:45pm - 3:45pm	Abandoned RVs and Parking Challenges Roundtable with WACSWM/Internet for All in Washington: An update on BEAD and Digital Equity	Maple Ballroom / Meeting Room 5
3:45pm - 4:00pm	Networking Break	
4:00pm - 5:00pm	The Power of Inclusion	Meeting Room 1
6:00pm - 8:30pm	Night Out: Flatstick Pub (Sponsored by NextEra Energy)	

Thursday, November 16

7:00am - 8:00am	Breakfast (Sponsored by ImageSource)	Grand Ballroom B
8:30am - 9:30am	Transportation Study Updates: MRSC/Transportation Commission	Maple Ballroom
9:30am - 10:30am	Federal Fund Exchange Pilot Program Update	
10:30am - 10:45am	Networking Break	
10:45am - 12:00pm	Joint Transportation Committee: Better Roads through Better Technology - County Road Administration Board/County Transportation Issues: County Panel	Birch Ballroom
12:00pm - 1:30pm	Lunch and Closing Session: "Governing on the Ground" - A Discussion with WSAC Members, Past and Present (Sponsored by WCIF)	Grand Ballroom B

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Tuesday, November 14

1:00pm - 1:30pm	Welcome and Warm Up	Terrace Room East
1:30pm - 1:45pm	Agenda Overview	
2:00pm - 3:15pm	Department of Ecology Updates	
3:15pm - 3:30pm	Break	
3:30m - 4:00pm	The Waste S.W.A.P.	
4:00pm - 5:00pm	Roundtable	
5:00pm	Adjourn	
5:00pm - 7:00pm	Opening Reception.	Grand Ballroom A
6:00pm - TBD	WACSWM Member Dinner and Networking	
This event is limited to only WACSWM members		

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7:00am - 8:00am	Breakfast (Sponsored by Sanitary Service Co)	Grand Ballroom B
8:15am - 9:00am	Roundtable	Terrace Room East
9:00am - 9:15am	Welcome and Agenda Overview	
9:15am - 10:15am	Legislative Strategic Planning	
10:15am - 11:00am	UTC – Enforcement and Policy	
11:00am - 11:50am	EPR Panel	Meeting Room 1
12:00pm - 1:15pm	Member Recognition Luncheon (WSAC)	Grand Ballroom B
1:15pm - 1:30pm	Break	
1:30pm - 2:30pm	EPR Guiding Principles Update Review	Terrace Room East
2:30pm - 2:45pm	Break	
2:45pm - 3:45pm	Joint RV Roundtable with WSACE	Maple Ballroom
3:45pm - 4:00pm	Break	
4:00pm - 5:00pm	EPR From a Producer Perspective	Terrace Room East
5:00pm	Adjourn	
6:00pm - 8:30pm	Night Out: Flatstick Pub (Sponsored by NextEra Energy)	

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Tuesday, November 14

3:00pm - 3:15pm	Welcome/Introductions Meeting Room 3
3:15pm - 4:45pm	Business Meeting Topics WCAA Budget Review 2024 Legislative Participation Plan Meetings, utilize monthly virtual meeting? 2024 WCAA Annual Meeting (Icicle Village Resort) April 10-12, 2024 Suggestions for agenda topics; invitations; speakers; etc. How can WCAA support the transition to a new Director? Other HR Topics COLA's for 2024 and beyond Medical Cost Share by employees – what are you doing? Recruitment/Retention tools Performance Evaluations Longevity/Merit/Recruitment Compensation Other compensation? (Cell phone stipends, take-home vehicles, etc) Other Business
4:45pm - 5:00pm	Review Notes/Action Items
5:00pm	Close

Affiliate Agenda



Wednesday, November 15

1:30pm - 1:35pm	Welcome, Introductions, Review Agenda Meeting Room 3 Mark Personius - President Paul Jewell - WSAC Policy Director
1:35pm - 1:45pm	Staff Report Paul Jewell - WSAC Policy Director
1:45pm - 2:00pm	WSACRPD Business Meeting Mark Personius - President's Report Erik Johansen - Treasurer's Report Executive Committee Elections
2:00pm - 2:30pm	Update: Department of Commerce Dave Andersen, Managing Director
2:30pm - 3:30pm	Legislative Panel Senator Shelly Short - 7th Legislative District, Agriculture, Water, Natural Resources, & Parks Committee; Environment, Energy, & Technology Committee; Local Government, Land Use, & Tribal Affairs Committee Representative Marcus Riccelli - 3rd Legislative District, House Local Government Committee; House Appropriations Committee
3:30pm - 3:40pm	Break
3:40pm - 4:00pm	Clean Energy Siting – Implementing HB 1216 Diane Butorac - Ecology
4:00pm - 4:30pm	Permit Streamlining Strategies Brett Bures - Thurston County
4:30pm	Adjourn Mark Personius - President

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Columbia River Counties Caucus

Thursday, November 16

1:45pm - 1:55pm	Call to Order, Welcome, Introductions & Approval of the Agenda Meeting Room 3 Chairman McCart
1:55pm - 2:00pm	Approval of Minutes from 9/20/23 Chairman McCart
2:00pm - 2:10pm	Staff Report Paul Jewell - Policy Director, WSAC
2:10pm - 2:30pm	OCR Update Tom Tebb - Office of Columbia River
2:30pm - 3:45pm	County Water Banking Strategies Arden Thomas - Kittitas County David Haws - Yakima County Michelle Mercer - Benton County Erik Johansen - Stevens County
3:45pm	Meeting Adjournment Chairman McCart

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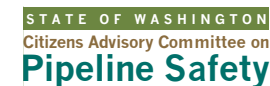


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