



## 2024 WPPA Executive Committee

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# Washington Public Ports Association

## 2025 Annual Meeting, December 11 - 13

### Hyatt Regency Bellevue

**ALL EVENTS ARE ON THE SECOND FLOOR OF THE HOTEL**

### Wednesday, December 11th

7:00 am - 4:00 pm WPPA registration desk is open in the Grand Foyer

### 8:30 - 11:45 am Committee Meetings

8:30 - 11:30 am, Grand E: Legal  
 8:45 - 10:15 am, Grand F: Trade & Transportation  
 9:00 - 10:30 am, Cedar A: Marina  
 10:00 - 11:30 am, Grand G: Environmental  
 10:30 - 11:45 am, Cedar B: Aviation  
 10:30 - 11:30 am, Cedar A: Communications  
 10:30 - 11:45 am, Grand F: Economic Development

### 12:00 - 1:30 pm Luncheon, Regency Ballroom

President JC Baldwin, Commissioner, Chelan Douglas Regional Port Authority & WPPA President Presiding

Welcome by the Mayor of Bellevue, Lynne Robinson

### Keynote Speaker

Allison Camden, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Multimodal Freight Infrastructure and Policy  
 "A More Robust Federal Approach to Supply Chains"

### 1:30 pm Break

### 2:00 - 4:00 pm General Session, Grand ABCD

2:00 - 3:00 State of the Industry Update:  
**Boat Building & Repair in Washington State**  
*Bailey Shewchuk, President, Mavrik Marine*  
*Mike Nelson, CEO, Dakota Creek*

### 3:00 - 4:00 Opportunities in Regional Air Mobility

*Yolanka Wulff, Community Air Mobility Initiative*  
*Ann Richart, WSDOT*  
*Suzanne Bremski, Harbour Air*  
*Brandon Rakes, Airport Director, Chehalis Centralia Airport*

### 4:00 - 6:00 pm Associate Member Reception, Grand IJK

Enjoy some appetizers and a tasty refreshment while networking with our Associate Members.

Evening: On your own to enjoy the city of Bellevue!

### Thursday, December 12th

7:30 am - 4:30 pm WPPA registration desk is open in the Grand Foyer

### 6:15 am Rise & Shine Walk with Eric ffitich

Meet in the main hotel lobby to join your port peers for an invigorating early morning walk through downtown Bellevue.

### 8:00 - 9:00 am Ports Only Breakfast, Regency Ballroom

This breakfast is for registered Port Commissioners, Executive Directors, Port Staff, and Life Members Only.

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**Thursday Continued**

**9:00 - 10:00 am Legislative Report, Grand ABCD**

Mark Wilson, Port of Kalama Executive Director & Legislative Committee Chair Presiding

**10:00 am Break**

**10:15 am - 12:00 pm General Session, Grand ABCD**

10:15 - 11:05 am Port of Seattle Cyber Attack: Lessons Learned and Best Practices

Steve Metruck, Executive Director, Port of Seattle  
Ralph Johnson, Chief Information Security Officer, Washington State (WaTech)

11:10 am - 12:00 pm Overview of Hydropower in the Pacific Northwest

Austin Rohr, Deputy Executive Director, Northwest River Partners

**12:00 - 1:30 pm Luncheon, Regency Ballroom**

Vice President Glenn Bachman, Commissioner, Port of Everett & WPPA Vice President Presiding

**Keynote Speakers**

Lori Otto-Punke, Executive Director, Washington Council on International Trade

John Hannah, President, Pacific Valley Foods

Alex Perkins, Principal, Mehlman Consulting

Trade Policy in Two Washingtons: Partner Update from the Washington Council on International Trade

**1:30 pm Break**

**2:00 - 3:30 pm Port Reports, Grand ABCD Room**

- Port of Wahkiakum No. 1 - Todd Souvenir
- Port of Everett - Lisa Lefeber
- Port of Ridgefield - Randy Mueller

**3:30 - 4:30 Roundtable Discussions  
Grand EFGIJK Rooms**

1 - Grand E - First Amendment Auditors

Frank Chmelik & Tim Schermetzler, CSD Attorneys at Law

2 - Grand F - State Clean Building Initiatives

Dillon Ackerman, Clean Buildings Unit, Washington Department of Commerce

3 - Grand G - Promoting Small and Micro Businesses through Partnership

Lisa Smith, Washington State Microenterprise Association (WSMA)

4 - Grand I - 2025 Industrial Stormwater General Permit (ISGP)

Ross Dunning, Kennedy Jenks, Mindi Kellar, Northwest Seaport Alliance, Brad Doll, Foster Garvey & Carly Michiels, WPPA

**Thursday Continued**

5 - Grand J - Supply Chains – Resilient and Green  
Bruce Agnew and Tom Lange, PNWER Regional Infrastructure Accelerator

6 - Grand K - Commercial Fishing, State of the Industry  
Lori Steele, Executive Director, West Coast Seafood Processors Association



**Presidents Reception**

Please join us at 6:00 pm in the

Regency Ballroom

to honor our 2024 WPPA President

JC Baldwin



**Friday, December 13th**

Hotel Checkout is 12:00 pm, please plan accordingly!

**8:00 am Awards Breakfast, Regency Ballroom**

Please join us for breakfast and our awards ceremony

- WPPA Winter Scholarship
- Lifetime Members
- Port of the Year

**Board of Trustees Meeting  
Immediately Following Breakfast**

- Committee Reports
- Investment Committee Report
- Treasurer's Report
- President's Report
- Executive Director's Report
- New Business
  - \* Approve By-Laws Amendment
  - \* Approve WPPA 2025 Budget
  - \* Nomination and Election of 2025 Officers

**12:00 pm - Meeting Adjourned**

**Thank you for joining us this week.  
Have a safe trip home!**

**Save the Dates! WPPA 2025 Event Calendar**

Port Day on the Hill & Reception: Jan. 29 - 30, Olympia

Spring Meeting: May 14-16, Historic Davenport Hotel, Spokane

Finance & Administration: June 25-27, Marcus Whitman Hotel, Walla Walla

Directors: July 10-11, Sleeping Lady Resort, Leavenworth

Commissioners: July 21-23, Semiahmoo Resort, Blaine

Environmental: Sept. 25-26, Alderbrook Lodge, Union

Small Ports: Oct. 23-24, Campbell's Resort, Chelan

Annual Meeting: Nov. 19 - 21, Marriott Tacoma Downtown

