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2025 Finance & Administration Seminar



June 25 – 27
Marcus Whitman Hotel
Walla Walla, Washington

Wednesday, June 25

12:30 pm <i>Clark Ballroom</i>	Registration
1:00 pm <i>Clark Ballroom</i>	Welcome & Announcements <i>Kip Kelly, Port of Walla Walla Commissioner Scott Goodrich, WPPA Finance & Administration Committee Chair & Chief Financial Officer, Port of Vancouver USA</i>
1:15 pm	What's on Your Mind? Open Discussion Forum One person from each Port to share one success & one challenge from the past year or year ahead
1:45 pm	In the Know With State Auditors' Office <i>Deena Garza, Scott Woelfle & Joanna Bailey, Washington State Auditors' Office</i>
3:30 pm	Break
3:45 pm	2025 Legislative Session Updates for Port Finance <i>Eric ffitch, Washington Public Ports Association</i>
Evening	Dinner on your own

Thursday, June 26

7:00 am <i>Lewis Ballroom</i>	Breakfast <i>Breakfast is for registered meeting attendees</i>
8:00 am <i>Clark Ballroom</i>	Open Discussion Forum
8:30 am	Maritime Lien Rights & Risk Management for Ports <i>David Boyajian, Schwabe</i>
9:45 am	GASB Updates for Current & Future Fiscal Years <i>Vivian Vandenburg, Washington State Auditors' Office</i>
11:00 am	Break
11:15 am	Navigating AI: Policy Development & Best Practices for Ports <i>Laura Lemire, Schwabe</i>

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Thursday, June 26 (continued)

12:15 - 1:15 pm <i>Lewis Ballroom</i>	Lunch Buffet with Sponsor Recognition <i>Lunch is for registered meeting attendees</i>
1:30 pm <i>Clark Ballroom</i>	How to Become Your Own Treasurer <i>Scott Goodrich, Port of Vancouver USA & Diane Campbell, Port of Seattle</i>
2:45 pm	Labor Law Update for Port Finance <i>Michael Garone, Schwabe</i>
3:45 pm	Break
4:00 pm	Municipal Bonds 101: Legal & Financial Strategies for Ports <i>Stacey Lewis, Clare Riva, Pacifica Law Group & Tyler Benson, Piper Sandler</i>
5:00 pm	Adjourn for the Day
6:00 - 8:00 pm <i>Dunham Cellars 150 E Boeing Avenue Walla Walla</i>	Hosted Reception & Dinner at Dunham Cellars <i>Spouses/Guests invited to attend!</i> Please plan to carpool to the reception event if possible!

Friday, June 27

7:00 am <i>Lewis Ballroom</i>	Breakfast <i>Breakfast is for registered meeting attendees</i>
8:00 am <i>Clark Ballroom</i>	The Changing Nature of Cyber Coverage & Cyber Risk <i>Eric Swagerty & Lisa McMeekin, Enduris</i>
9:00 am	Cybersecurity in Port Finance <i>Krista Sadler & Lisa Lam, Port of Seattle</i>
10:00 am	Public Records Retention: Compliance, Best Practices, & Risk Management <i>Scott Sackett, Washington State Archives</i>
11:00 am	Wrap Up & Adjourn

*Mark your calendar for our
2026 Seminar:
June 24 - 26
Hotel Indigo, Everett*