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Pacific Northwest Waterways Association Announces 2014 Distinguished Service Award Winners

The Pacific Northwest Waterways Association (PNWA) has announced the recipients of their 2014 Distinguished Service Awards. The honorees were announced in conjunction with PNWA's 80th Annual Convention, which was held in Vancouver, Washington on October 15th - 17th. Recipients of the award are selected for their significant contributions to the Northwest navigation, energy, irrigation, and recreation communities.

This year, PNWA honored five leaders with the award: Capt. Paul Amos (Columbia River Pilots), Kevin Brice (U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Portland District), Martin Callery (Oregon International Port of Coos Bay), Ann Glassley (U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Walla Walla District - retired), John Mohr (Port of Everett), and Bill Wyatt (Port of Portland). These individuals have gone above and beyond the call of duty to support Northwest transportation infrastructure, trade, tourism, and environmental restoration.

At the PNWA 80th Annual Convention, the group also announced U.S. Representative Mike Simpson (R-ID) as the recipient of PNWA's 2014 Legislator of the Year award. PNWA is honoring Congressman Simpson for his tremendous efforts to promote economic activity in Idaho and the region. PNWA and its members are especially grateful for his leadership on the House Energy & Water Appropriations Subcommittee, and his support for inland and deep draft navigation on the Columbia Snake River System.

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PNWA is a non-profit trade association that advocates for federal policies and funding in support of regional economic development. We represent over 130 public and private sector member organizations in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, and California. Members include public ports, navigation, transportation, trade, tourism, agriculture, forest products, energy and local government interests. Since our founding in 1934, PNWA led the way for development of economic infrastructure for navigation, electric power and irrigated agriculture on the Columbia and Snake River System. In 1971, we expanded, adding Oregon and Washington coastal port members to provide a comprehensive regional perspective. Today, PNWA works with the U.S. Congress, federal agencies and regional decision leaders on transportation, trade, energy and environmental policies and projects to enhance economic vitality in the Pacific Northwest.