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Thank you new Annual Convention sponsor

Our 2020 Annual Convention is just over one week away! Free [registration is still open](#) to PNWA members, partner agency staff members, and elected officials and their staffs.

We would like to thank our latest 2020 Annual Convention sponsor for their support:

Gold Sponsor



Want to help support PNWA? Additional sponsorship opportunities are available at the [Platinum, Gold, Silver and Bronze levels](#). Request a sponsorship when you [register for the convention](#), or contact Randi Besser [by email](#) or at 503-234-8550 for more

details.

Raise your Annual Convention visibility: Donate a door prize

Although we won't be together in person this year, the door prize tradition will continue at this year's PNWA Annual Convention!

These prizes are often local treats from individual ports or organizations, generously provided by our

members. We'll be holding the drawings at the end of our Happy Hour event, scheduled from 3:45-4:45 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 6.



If you'd like to donate a door prize, please contact Randi Besser at 503-234-8550 or [by email](#).

Port of Hood River lands \$5M BUILD grant for bridge replacement



Congratulations to the Port of Hood River and Klickitat County for winning a \$5 million U.S. Department of Transportation BUILD Grant to fund Phase 2 of the ongoing effort to replace the Hood River-White Salmon Interstate Bridge.

[Read the full Hood River News story here](#)

PNITA offers 2020 election trade implications forum

The Pacific Northwest International Trade Association will host a forum called "Trade & Election 2020: A Non-Partisan Look at Potential Implications" Oct. 15 at 12 p.m. PDT. National and regional experts will lead this discussion on:

- How global geo-political powers have shifted in the past four years and what we know about how each candidate will contribute to these power dynamics.
- How each candidate may approach relations and trade with Europe, East Asia, and North American partners.
- How each candidate may deal with the World Trade Organization moving



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forward.

- The intersection of trade and national security and how each candidate approaches these issues

The event is free and open to all. [RSVP here.](#)

Port of Seattle seeks regional government relations manager



The Port of Seattle is hiring for a Regional Government Relations Manager. This is the post previously held by Lindsay Wolpa, and will work closely with both Lindsay and Geri Poor as they advocate to the City of Seattle/King County on a range of issues related to port priorities.

In this role you will be responsible for advocacy of port policy and business interests with local and regional governmental agencies, elected officials and key stakeholders. You will manage policy, program-level relations, identify goals and develop strategies that include media, community outreach and partnerships in support of the goals contained in the Port of Seattle's Century Agenda and strategic business plan for the Northwest Seaport Alliance.

[Learn more and apply here](#)

FEMA offers Cascadia earthquake and tsunami plan overview

Over the next year, FEMA Region 10 will be updating the Cascadia Subduction Zone Earthquake and Tsunami Response Plan - the federal government's playbook for supporting the response to a catastrophic CSZ event.



FEMA

The Region 10 CSZ planning team will provide a plan overview to familiarize private sector partners with the CSZ Federal Response Plan, initiate the process on identifying how the private sector may be impacted by a CSZ event, and begin looking at how to incorporate private sector stakeholders into the CSZ planning process.

Please save the date for the meeting, and [email Brett Holt](#) if you are interested in participating in the CSZ planning process.

Cascadia Subduction Zone Earthquake and Tsunami Response Plan Overview
October 21, 2020
9-11 a.m. PST

<https://fema.zoomgov.com/j/1608171573>

Meeting ID: 1608171573

Password: 441326

Opinion: National, regional associations keep port interests on front burner

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In his [Sept. 18 opinion piece](#) for "Port Strategy" magazine, maritime freelance reporter Barry

Parker notes that while ship owners have often not been effective in making their case to political decision makers:

"Happily, the port business has generally been vocal in making its case known, through well run organizations with a strong presence in the halls of governments, whether at a national level ... or regional configurations."

PNWA is proud to serve as our region's voice and presence on Capitol Hill and elsewhere in the federal government, stressing the importance of our member ports - and our shipping line members, too -- in the region's and nation's transportation system.

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