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PNWA presents 2021 Legislator of the Year Award to Representative Peter DeFazio



PORTLAND, Ore. – The Pacific Northwest Waterways Association presented its 2021 Legislator of the Year Award to Representative Peter DeFazio, Oregon's 4th Congressional during its Annual Convention Oct. 8.

This award memorializes PNWA's appreciation for all Congressman DeFazio has done for ports, navigation and economic development in our region during his thirty-four-year tenure in the House.

"As Chairman of the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, he has fought tirelessly for our region's and nation's waterways, most prominently securing full use of annual Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund receipts; more funding for small, donor and energy transfer ports; and starting to spend down the \$10 billion HMTF surplus." said PNWA Executive Director Kristin Meira.

PNWA annually awards its Legislator of the Year award to a Member of Congress who has gone above and beyond in supporting waterborne commerce, economic development, and navigation infrastructure in the Pacific Northwest.

It is with great respect that we present this award to Representative DeFazio, acknowledging his invaluable contributions and steadfast advocacy for our region. Thank you for your continued support and participation in PNWA.

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The Pacific Northwest Waterways Association is a non-profit, non-partisan trade association of ports, businesses, public agencies and individuals who support navigation, energy, trade and economic development throughout the region. Learn more at www.pnwa.net.