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PNWA Executive Director Kristin Meira to testify at House Transportation & Infrastructure Hearing

Pacific Northwest Waterways Association (PNWA) Executive Director Kristin Meira will testify before the U.S. House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee on February 7, 2019. The Committee is organizing for the 116th Congress, and is holding a hearing entitled "The Cost of Doing Nothing: Why investing in our Nation's Infrastructure Cannot Wait." To watch the hearing live, please click [here](#).

Meira will highlight the infrastructure needs of ports and navigation in her testimony. Ports are critical economic drivers for their local communities and for the nation. Many modes of transportation come together at our nation's ports to provide efficient and safe movement of both commercial cargo and people. Infrastructure investment at ports is critical for a strong U.S. economy.

Meira will also address the importance of the federal waterways leading to these ports. Federal funding is critical to ensuring navigation channels are dredged and jetties and other structures are maintained. The Northwest, home to a mix of large, mid-size and small ports, is a microcosm of the diverse U.S. navigation portfolio. Our region is home to large container ports like

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Seattle and Tacoma, deep draft export gateways like Grays Harbor and the Lower Columbia River, inland locations like the Snake River, and smaller ports like those on the Oregon coast, home to commercial and recreational fishing fleets. The federal navigation mission of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is critical to all of these ports, and policies considered by the Committee could help to bolster the Corps' efforts.

"We are excited for the opportunity to highlight the perspectives of both small and large ports for our Congressional leaders as they consider policies which have great impacts on U.S. ports," stated Meira. "Chairman DeFazio and our Members of Congress from the Northwest truly understand the importance of ports and the local, regional and national benefits they provide," noted Meira. "This is an important opportunity to share the Northwest perspectives with decision makers outside our region. Congress will be considering policies that will have great impacts on U.S. ports and we are so pleased the Northwest has a seat at the table."

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