

2015 WPPA STANDING COMMITTEES

The Washington Public Ports Association has 12 standing committees as listed below. Ad hoc committees are established as needed to address special issues. Association members interested in serving on these committees should contact the committee chair. If an error is found in this listing, please [contact](#) the WPPA Office.

AVIATION COMMITTEE

The Aviation Committee was formed in 1992 to provide a WPPA forum for discussing airport development and management issues, and to provide technical support and policy guidance on aviation-related legislative issues.

Chair: Mike Wren, Port of Ephrata

Members

William Short, Port of Anacortes
Scott D. Keller, Port of Benton
Fred Salisbury, Port of Bremerton
Mark Urdahl, Port of Chelan County
Mike Wren, Port of Ephrata
Gary Nelson, Port of Grays Harbor
Diane Souron, Port of Grays Harbor
Bob Bagaason, Port of Longview
Jeff Bishop, Port of Moses Lake
Rudy Rudolph, Port of Olympia
Ron Foraker, Port of Pasco
Ken O'Hollaren, Port of Port Angeles
Jerry Ludke, Port of Port Angeles
Larry Crockett, Port of Port Townsend

Mark Reis, Port of Seattle
Scott Peterson, Port of Skagit County
Jim Kuntz, Port of Walla Walla
Paul Schneidmiller, Port of Walla Walla
Jennifer Skoglund, Port of Walla Walla
Dan Boone, Port of Whitman County
Joe Poire, Port of Whitman County
Rebecca Chaffee, Port of Willapa Harbor
David T. Waggoner, Snohomish County Airport
Susan Kern, Snohomish County Airport
Tristan Atkins, WSDOT
Carol Suomi, FAA
Susie Tracy, Consultant

BUDGET COMMITTEE

The Budget Committee meets in August each year to develop an Association budget for the following year. Its members are from the Executive Committee who work in consultation with the Port of Seattle and the Port of Tacoma.

Chair: Roy Keck, Port of Benton

Members

Tom Albro, Port of Seattle
Roy Keck, Port of Benton
Dave Ripp, Port of Camas-Washougal

Karen Moore, Port of Ephrata
Jerry Oliver, Port of Vancouver

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The Economic Development Committee provides leadership on economic development issues for ports in cooperation with other economic development activities.

Chair: Jim Rothlin, Port of Bremerton

Members

Dan Stahl, Port of Bellingham
Roy Keck, Port of Benton
Robert Larson, Port of Benton
Diahann Howard, Port of Benton
David Ripp, Port of Camas-Washougal
Randy Mueller, Port of Chehalis
Mark Urdahl, Port of Chelan County
Wanda Keefer, Port of Clarkston
Lisa Parks, Port of Douglas County
Bruce Faires, Port of Edmonds
Gary Nelson, Port of Grays Harbor
Leonard Barnes, Port of Grays Harbor
Guy Glenn, Port of Ilwaco
Mark Wilson, Port of Kalama
Eric Yakovich, Port of Kalama
Skip Novakovich, Port of Kennewick
Tim Arntzen, Port of Kennewick

Mike Reid, Port of Olympia
James Klindworth, Port of Pasco
Randy Hayden, Port of Pasco
Gary Ballew, Port of Pasco
Ken O'Hollaren, Port of Port Angeles
Brent Grening, Port of Ridgefield
Cathy Potter, Port of Royal Slope
John Dobson, Port of Shelton
Jay Hester, Port of Sunnyside
Tong Zhu, Port of Tacoma
Sean Eagan, Port of Tacoma
Todd Coleman, Port of Vancouver
Jim Kuntz, Port of Walla Walla
John Love, Port of Whitman County
Debbie Snell, Port of Whitman County
Heber Kennedy, Retired WPPA Member

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEES (*policy and technical*)

The Environmental Committees promote environmentally sound economic growth by providing a forum to review and evaluate port environmental concerns. The Committees support continued progress toward preserving and enhancing the natural environment while promoting public policies that balance the environmental, social and economic values of the communities that ports serve.

Chairs: Patsy Martin, Port of Skagit County
Mike Stoner, Port of Bellingham

Members

Brian Gouran, Port of Bellingham
Alan Birdsall, Port of Bellingham
Mike Hogan, Port of Bellingham
Roger Zabinski, Port of Bremerton
David Ripp, Port of Camas-Washougal
Mary Lou Block, Port of Edmonds
Bob McChesney, Port of Edmonds
Les Reardanz, Port of Everett
Graham Anderson, Port of Everett
Jack Thompson, Port of Grays Harbor
Gary Nelson, Port of Grays Harbor
Kayla Dunlap, Port of Grays Harbor
Mark Wilson, Port of Kalama
Tabitha Reeder, Port of Kalama
Lisa Hendrickson, Port of Longview
Alex Smith, Port of Olympia
Randy Hayden, Port of Pasco

John Calhoun, Port of Port Angeles
Bruce Wiseman, Port of Ridgefield
Brent Grening, Port of Ridgefield
Clare Gallagher, Port of Seattle
George Blomberg, Port of Seattle
Traci Goodwin, Port of Seattle
Stephanie Jones Stebbins, Port of Seattle
Bob Duffner, Port of Seattle
Susan Ridgley, Port of Seattle
Kathy Bahnick, Port of Seattle
Sara Young, Port of Skagit County
Sean Eagan, Port of Tacoma
Jason Jordan, Port of Tacoma
Patricia Boyden, Port of Vancouver
Jessi Belston, Port of Vancouver
Matt Graves, Port of Vancouver
Mary Mattix, Port of Vancouver

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee consists of the WPPA officers and oversees the general administration and management for WPPA.

President: Roy Keck, Port of Benton
Vice President: Troy McClelland, Port of Everett
Secretary: Karen Moore, Port of Ephrata
Treasurer: Dave Ripp, Port of Camas Washougal

Past-President: Jerry Oliver, Port of Vancouver
Past-President: Tom Albro, Port of Seattle

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

The Finance and Administration Committee seeks to inform and influence continually changing state and federal rules, regulations, policies and procedures that impact port compliance.

Chair: Linda M O'Brien, Port of Pasco

Members

Rob Fix, Port of Bellingham
Stuart Dezember, Port of Benton
Becky Swanson, Port of Bremerton
Kim Noah, Port of Camas-Washougal
Amy Due, Port of Centralia
Tina Drennan, Port of Edmonds
Karen Clements, Port of Everett
Mary Nelson, Port of Grays Harbor
Tammy Fine, Port of Kennewick

Kathy Oberg, Port of Longview
Jeff Smith, Port of Olympia
Karen Goschen, Port of Port Angeles
Duane Hill, Port of Seattle
Rudy Caluza, Port of Seattle
Kristen Garcia, Port of Skagit County
Carol Carter, Port of Sunnyside
Darren Arakaki, Port of Tacoma
Jeff Estuesta, Port of Vancouver

LEGAL COMMITTEE

The Legal Committee reviews legal issues affecting port districts. The committee also oversees WPPA participation before the Washington State Court of Appeals and the Supreme Court. Continuing education credit for attorneys attending Association meetings is provided by the Legal Committee.

Chair: Alicia Lowe, Schwabe, Williamson and Wyatt

Members

Frank Chmelik, Port of Bellingham & Anacortes
Gordon Walgren, Port of Bremerton
Shawn MacPherson, Port of Camas-Washougal
Brad Cattle, Port of Everett
Craig Walker, Port of Kennewick
Frank Randolph, Port of Longview
Steve Oliver, Port of Port Angeles
Tom Tanaka, Port of Seattle

Traci Goodwin, Port of Seattle
Sean Eagan, Port of Tacoma
Robert Lamb, Carney Bradley Smith & Spellman
Art Blauvelt, Ingram, Zelasko & Goodwin
Carolyn Lake, Goodstein Law Group, PLLC
Alexandra K. Smith, Lane Powell PC
Brad Furlong, Furlong-Butler Attorneys
Tadas Kiselieus, Van Ness Feldman Gordon Derr

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

The Legislative Committee directs legislative advocacy, discusses issues which may become legislation and devises strategy for legislative action.

Chair: Mark Urdahl, Port of Chelan County

Members

Keith Rubin, Port of Anacortes
Mike Hogan, Port of Bellingham
Diahann Howard, Port of Benton
Gordon Walgren, Port of Bremerton
Jim Rothlin, Port of Bremerton
Randy Mueller, Port of Chehalis
JC Baldwin, Port of Chelan County
Mark Spurgeon, Port of Douglas
Jim Orvis, Port of Edmonds
Glen Bachman, Port of Everett
Jim Sewell, Port of Grandview
Gary Nelson, Port of Grays Harbor
Kayla Dunlap, Port of Grays Harbor
Mark Wilson, Port of Kalama
Skip Novakovich, Port of Kennewick
Tim Arntzen, Port of Kennewick
Marc Thornsby, Port of Klickitat
Mike Conley, Port of Moses Lake

Ed Galligan, Port of Olympia
Kathleen White, Port of Olympia
James Klindworth, Port of Pasco
Ken O'Hollaren, Port of Port Angeles
Larry Crockett, Port of Port Townsend
Bruce Wiseman, Port of Ridgefield
Clare Gallagher, Port of Seattle
Don Meyer, Port of Tacoma
Julie Collins, Port of Tacoma
Sean Eagan, Port of Tacoma
Jerry Oliver, Port of Vancouver
Katy Brooks, Port of Vancouver
Jim Kuntz, Port of Walla Walla
Michael Fredrickson, Port of Walla Walla
Tom Kammerzell, Port of Whitman County
Joe Poire, Port of Whitman County
Larry Topping, Port of Willapa Harbor
Rebecca Chaffee, Port of Willapa Harbor

MARINA COMMITTEE

The Marina Committee provides a forum for discussing issues facing public marinas and acts as an advisory board for WPPA.

Chair: VACANT

Members

Dale Fowler, Port of Anacortes
Dan Stahl, Port of Bellingham
Mike Endsley, Port of Bellingham
Pam Taft, Port of Bellingham
Kathy Garcia, Port of Bremerton
Jack Bailey, Port of Brownsville
Marla Kempf, Port of Edmonds
Jim Orvis, Port of Edmonds
Scott Grindy, Port of Everett
Tom Stiger, Port of Everett
Robin Leraas, Port of Grays Harbor
Guy Glenn, Port of Ilwaco
Eric Yakovich, Port of Kalama
Erik Swenningson, Port of Kalama
Tim Arntzen, Port of Kennewick

Daniel Fallstrom, Port of Manchester
Bruce Marshall, Port of Olympia
Cheryl Maynard, Port of Olympia
Mary DeLong, Port of Peninsula
Ron Amundson, Port of Port Angeles
Doug Sandau, Port of Port Angeles
Larry Crockett, Port of Port Townsend
Kenneth Lyles, Port of Seattle
Darlene Robertson, Port of Seattle
Sharon Briggs, Port of Seattle
Scott Peterson, Port of Skagit County
Paul Stannert, Port of Skagit County
Jackie Lea, Port of Wahkiakum County 1
Rebecca Chaffee, Port of Willapa Harbor
William Tonkin, Foster Pepper

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee is appointed by the WPPA President at the Spring Meeting to propose a slate of candidates for consideration by the Board of Trustees at that year's WPPA Annual Meeting. One member is appointed from each congressional district. If two or more congressional districts are in a single port district, they will be represented by one member.

Chair: JC Baldwin, Port of Chelan County

Vice Chair: Mike Ahrenius, Port of Friday Harbor

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

The WPPA Public Relations Committee seeks to increase public understanding and support of public ports through information, education and legislative advocacy.

Chair: Ashley Helenberg, Port of Longview

Members

Dave Ripp, Port of Camas-Washougal

Susan Brokaw, Port of Everett

Lisa Lefeber, Port of Everett

Kayla Dunlap, Port of Grays Harbor

Mindi Lindquist, Port of Kalama

Tana Bader-Inglima, Port of Kennewick

Kathleen White, Port of Olympia

Vicky Keller, Port of Pasco

Peter McGraw, Port of Seattle

Terra Dittmer, Port of Shelton

Tara Mattina, Port of Tacoma

Rod Koon, Port of Tacoma

Theresa Wagner, Port of Vancouver

Jim Kuntz, Port of Walla Walla

TRADE AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Formed as a result of the original Ports System Study in 1975, the Trade and Transportation Committee explores potential areas for port cooperative efforts for trade policy and transportation issues. It is also the steering committee for marine cargo forecast updates.

Chair: John Wolfe, Port of Tacoma

Vice Chair: Geir-Eilif Kalhagen

Members

Sylvia Goodwin, Port of Bellingham

Dan Stahl, Port of Bellingham

Roy D. Keck, Port of Benton

Scott D. Keller, Port of Benton

Roger Zabinski, Port of Bremerton

Wanda Keefer, Port of Clarkston

Bruce Faires, Port of Edmonds

Les Reardanz, Port of Everett

Lisa Lefeber, Port of Everett

Gary Nelson, Port of Grays Harbor

Leonard Barnes, Port of Grays Harbor

Geir Kalhagen, Port of Longview

Mark Wilson, Port of Kalama

Jeff Bishop, Port of Moses Lake

Ed Galligan, Port of Olympia

Randy Hayden, Port of Pasco

Pat Connelly, Port of Quincy

Brent Grening, Port of Ridgefield

Clare Gallagher, Port of Seattle

Don Johnson, Port of Tacoma

Don Meyer, Port of Tacoma

Julie Collins, Port of Tacoma

Sean Eagan, Port of Tacoma

Tong Zhu, Port of Tacoma

Mike Reilly, Port of Tacoma

Jerry Oliver, Port of Vancouver

Todd Coleman, Port of Vancouver

Katy Brooks, Port of Vancouver

Jim Kuntz, Port of Walla Walla

Tom Kammerzell, Port of Whitman County

John Love, Port of Whitman County

Rebecca Chaffee, Port of Willapa Harbor