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Westside Transportation Symposium 2006



## Driving the Westside Economy: *An Efficient Transportation System*

**Westside Economic Alliance** is a member-based, non-profit association that advocates for a healthy economic climate on the Westside of the Portland metropolitan region. The Alliance plays a leading role in the development of this high-growth region by providing a business perspective in public forums and facilitating the cooperation between the private and public sectors. The result is a unique partnership that benefits both the businesses and communities of the Westside.

### **Our mission is to:**

- Create an environment conducive to business growth
- Serve as a unified voice for members on public policy issues affecting the Westside
- Promote and improve the visibility of the Westside as a premier economic development locale
- Challenge and influence policy decisions and regulations impacting the economic vitality of our communities



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Tuesday, June 13, 2006  
7:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.  
Kingstad Center





**Metro Councilor Rex Burkholder**

Councilor Burkholder chairs the Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT) and serves on the Bi-State Transportation Committee, as well as other regional transportation committees.



**Mayor Rob Drake**, City of Beaverton  
Serving as mayor since 1993, Mayor Drake is also a member of the Westside Economic Alliance Board of Directors. Mayor Drake serves on a number of regional committees and boards, including, JPACT.



**Stuart Foster**, Chair, Oregon Transportation Commission  
Mr. Foster is currently serving his 4th term on the Oregon Transportation Commission. He is a partner with Foster Denman LLP, and has served as president of the Oregon State Bar.



**Ann Gardner**, Government Relations Manager, Schnitzer Steel  
Ms. Gardner joined Schnitzer Steel Industries in 2005, after 9 years at Schnitzer Investment Corp. She is Chair of both the Portland Freight Committee and the Connect Oregon Region 1 Project Review Committee.



**Nicholas Hann**, Managing Director, Macquarie North America Ltd.  
Mr. Hann joined Macquarie National Bank in Sydney, Australia in 1998. In 2002, he relocated to Vancouver B.C. to head Macquarie's infrastructure team in western Canada.



**Fred Hansen**, General Manager, TriMet  
Mr. Hansen joined TriMet in 1998, and is an active member in the community and his profession. He serves on numerous boards and task forces, including Portland Streetcar and Transportation Research Board.



**Senator Betsy Johnson** (D-Scappoose)  
Senator Johnson is serving her 1st term in the Oregon Senate after being appointed to fill the Dist. 16 position. The appointment came as she was beginning her 3rd term in the Oregon House of Representatives.



**Duke Schaub**, Director of Government Affairs, AGC of Washington  
Mr. Schaub is the chief lobbyist and AGC Washington representative. He began lobbying in 1974 for the Home Builders Association of Washington, and moved to the AGC of Washington in 1981.

**7:30 a.m.**

**Breakfast and Networking**

**8:00 a.m.**

**Welcome from Westside Economic Alliance President**

**Ron Johnson**

Vice President of Customers and Economic Development, PGE

**8:15 a.m.**

**“Measuring the Costs of Congestion”**

Metro Councilor **Rex Burkholder**, Chair, JPACT

**Ann Gardner**, Government Affairs Manager,  
Schnitzer Steel Industries

**9:30 a.m.**

**Refreshment Break and Networking**

**9:45 a.m.**

**“A Westside Story”**

Mayor **Rob Drake**, City of Beaverton

**Fred Hansen**, General Manager, TriMet

**10:45 a.m.**

**“Funding Transportation Improvements”**

**Nicholas Hann**, Managing Director, Macquarie North America Ltd.

State Senator **Betsy Johnson** (D-Scappoose)

**12:00 p.m.**

**Luncheon Break and Networking**

**12:15 p.m.**

**LUNCHEON KEYNOTE**

**“A Tale of Two States”**

**Stuart Foster**, Chair, Oregon Transportation Commission

**Duke Schaub**, Director of Government Affairs, AGC of Washington State

**1:15 p.m.**

**Closing Remarks**

**Frank Angelo**, Chair, Alliance Transportation Committee