

TRI-CITY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL PRESENTS

20TH ANNUAL

TRI-CITIES REGIONAL ECONOMIC OUTLOOK



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THURSDAY, MARCH 28, 2019 7:30AM-1:30PM | TRAC CENTER, PASCO

7:00AM Registration & Networking
Location: TRAC Atrium

10:50AM Refreshment & Networking Break
Location: TRAC Atrium

7:30AM Breakfast & Opening Keynote Session
Location: TRAC Expo Hall
Keynote Speaker: Alan Robinson, Portfolio Analyst, RBC Wealth Management

11:00AM Outlook Session 3
Track 1: Community Development Projects
Location: Meeting Room #4

8:15AM Refreshment & Networking Break
Location: TRAC Atrium

8:30AM Outlook Session 1
Location: TRAC Expo Hall
PNNL/PNSO Outlook: Julie Erickson, Deputy Manager, DOE-PNSO
Hanford Outlook: Brian Vance, Acting Hanford Site Manager, DOE
Tri-Cities Regional Economy Outlook: Ajsa Suljic, Regional Economist, Washington State Employment Security Department

City of Kennewick: Miles Thomas, Economic Development Manager
Port of Kennewick: Tim Arntzen, Chief Executive Officer
City of Pasco: Rick White, Community and Economic Development Director
City of Richland: Mandy Wallner, Marketing Specialist
Port of Benton: Diahann Howard, Director of Economic Development

9:50AM Refreshment & Networking Break
Location: TRAC Atrium

Track 2: Live, Work, Play Tri-Cities
Location: Meeting Room #2
Tourism & Recreation: Kathy Moore, Board Chair, Visit Tri-Cities
Health Care: Rob Watilo, Chief Strategy Officer, Kadlec, Providence St. Mary (Walla Walla)
Retail: Barbara Johnson, Mall Manager, Columbia Center
Education: Paul Randall, Director, Tri-Tech Skills Center

10:00AM Outlook Session 2
Track 1: Building the Tri-Cities
Location: Meeting Room #4
Residential Real Estate: Jeff Smart, Board Chair, Tri-Cities Association of Realtors
Residential Construction: Jeff Losey, Executive Director, HBA Tri-Cities
Commercial Development: Charles Laird, Real Estate Broker, Tippet Co.
Industrial Development: Carl Adrian, President/CEO, TRIDEC

Track 3: State Policies Impacting Washington Businesses
Location: TRAC Expo Hall
Export Challenges & Opportunities: Commissioner Ryan Calkins, Port of Seattle
Tri-Cities Legislative Council Priorities: Jason Herbert, Chair, Tri-Cities Legislative Council

Track 2: Growing the Agriculture Industry
Location: Meeting Room #2
Innovations in Ag: Naidu A. Rayapati, Director Irrigated Agriculture Research & Extension Center, CAHNRS Assistant Dean, WSU Tri-Cities
Opportunities in the Agriculture Industry: Matt Harris, Assistant Executive Director, Washington Potato Commission
Wine Industry: Deborah Barnard, Co-Owner, Barnard Griffin Winery

12:00PM 56th Annual Meeting & Keynote Luncheon
Location: TRAC Expo Hall
Keynote Speaker: Brian Roth, Regional Director of Sales, United

Track 3: Workforce Challenges from an Employer Perspective
Location: TRAC Expo Hall
PNNL: Jim Blount, Acting Director, HR
Kadlec: Sara Haley-Jaquish, Senior Recruiter Lead
MSA: Dan Seitz, Senior HR Specialist
Columbia Basin College: Dr. Rebekah Woods, President
WSU Tri-Cities: Sandra Haynes, Chancellor

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