

Columbia Gorge Economic Symposium

Friday, November 1, 2019

Fort Dalles Readiness Center, 402 East Scenic Drive, The Dalles OR

Agenda

Doors open at 8:30 a.m. for refreshments and networking.

- 9:00 a.m. Welcome and Introductions
Barbara Briggs, Moderator and Welcome remarks
Recognition of MCEDD 50 years: remarks from dignitaries
- 9:15 a.m. Opening Remarks
David Anderson, CEO, NW Natural
- 9:40 a.m. Historical Economies and Trends
Amanda Hoey, Executive Director, Mid-Columbia Economic Development District
- 9:50 a.m. Panel Discussion: The Future of the Gorge
Innovation and adaption to new conditions
Moderated by Barbara Briggs
- Group 1: Innovation in Adding Value to the Region's Natural Resources
- *Paul Jones, WyEast Timber Services*
 - *Megan Thompson, Cascade Cherry Growers/Sage Fruit Company*
 - *Jeanne Carver, Imperial Stock Ranch*
 - *Rudy Kellner, pFriem Family Brewers*
- Group 2: Advancing Manufacturing Sectors and New Technologies
- *David Windsor, Cardinal Glass Industries, Inc.*
 - *Mike Graham, Real Carbon*
 - *Nicole Bassett, The Renewal Workshop*
- 11:20 a.m. Industry trends and forecasts: Data, Data, Data
Scott Bailey, Washington Regional Economist
Dallas Fridley, Oregon Regional Economist
- 12:15 p.m. Preparing for the next 50 years
Dan Spatz, Columbia Gorge Community College
- 12:30 pm Closing remarks
Recognition of past board members and staff
- 1:00 p.m. Adjourn and networking

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