



*Pacific NorthWest
Economic Region*

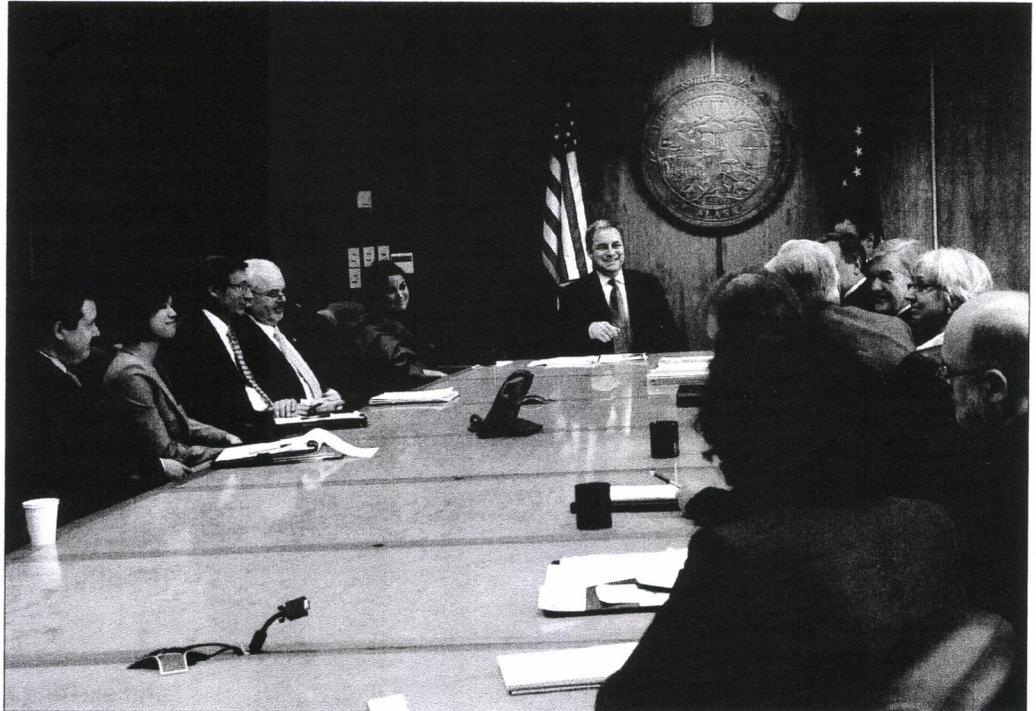
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ABOUT PNWER

The Pacific NorthWest Economic Region (PNWER) is a public-private partnership chartered by the states of Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, and Washington; the western Canadian provinces of Alberta, British Columbia, and Saskatchewan; and Yukon and the Northwest Territories. PNWER is dedicated to encouraging global economic competitiveness and preserving our world-class natural environment. PNWER is recognized by both the United States and Canada federal governments as the “model” for regional and bi-national cooperation because of its proven success. PNWER is a respected voice and resource for our region. It provides the public and private sectors a cross-border forum for unfiltered dialogue that capitalizes upon the synergies between business leaders and elected officials working to advance the region’s global competitiveness.

PNWER is the preeminent bi-national advocate for regional state, provincial, and territorial issues



Members of PNWER’s capital visit delegation meet with Alaska Governor Sean R. Parnell at the Alaska State Legislature in Juneau on January 19, 2012.

The Region’s Future

With over \$1 trillion (USD) in gross regional product, the US Pacific Northwest (Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, and Washington) and Western Canada (Alberta, British Columbia, the Northwest Territories, Saskatchewan, and Yukon) is one of the fastest growing regions of North America. This region is China’s and East Asia’s gateway to North America, and is home to several major infrastructure projects and business opportunities. Now, more than ever, the Pacific Northwest needs a bi-national, regional advocate that works with both the public and private sectors.

Public and Private Sector Leadership

PNWER delivers results on regional issues through action plans developed within 20 working groups that correspond to the region’s key priorities. Each working group is co-chaired by an industry leader and a government representative. PNWER is a forum for collaborative bi-national planning involving both the public and private sectors and offers leadership at the state/provincial/territorial level in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, Alaska, Alberta, British Columbia, Saskatchewan, Yukon and Northwest Territories, and at the national level in Washington, D.C. and Ottawa.