

**Presenter Bios | Pacific Northwest Hydrogen Hub | 2:45 p.m.**  
**Montana Transportation Interim Committee**



**Matt Morrison, Executive Director, Pacific Northwest Economic Region**

Matt Morrison serves as CEO of the Pacific NorthWest Economic Region (PNWER) which was established in 1991 by statute in the states of Alaska, Washington, Idaho, Montana, and Oregon, and the western Canadian provinces of British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, the Yukon and Northwest Territory. As CEO of PNWER, Mr. Morrison's responsibilities include coordinating all PNWER projects and reporting to the governing board, which consists of legislative leadership of each state, province, and territory, governors and premiers, and private sector leaders. The

mandate of PNWER is to build the region's economy while enhancing the region's natural environment. PNWER's 18 working groups focus on trade and border issues, economic development, agriculture, energy and environment, invasive species, tourism, transportation, and workforce, among several others.

Along with his role at PNWER, Mr. Morrison is Co-Chair of the Future Borders Coalition ([www.futureborderscoalition.org](http://www.futureborderscoalition.org)), a group of public and private organizations bringing solutions to border issues in all modes at the Canada – U.S. border.



**Bruce Agnew, Director, PNWER Regional Infrastructure Accelerator**

Bruce is the director of the U.S. Dept. of Transportation-funded [Regional Infrastructure Accelerator \(RIA\) demonstration program at PNWER](#), which was initiated in 2021. The RIA program helps to accelerate transportation infrastructure project delivery in Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon and Washington through technical assistance and identification of innovative financing solutions.

Mr. Agnew has been a key player in regional transportation development since his days on the Puget Sound Regional Council in the 1980s. Since then, he served as Chief of Staff to U.S.

Representative John Miller, led the Northwest Cascadia initiative as Director of the Cascadia Center of Discovery Institute in Seattle, and established the ACES NW Network to accelerate the development and adoption of Autonomous, Connected, Electric, and Shared (ACES) transportation technologies.

### **George Bailey, Associate Managing Member, SRSH2**

George Bailey is Associate Managing Member for St. Regis Solar Hydrogen (SRSH2), which serves as Montana's project in the three-state Pacific Northwest Hydrogen Hub. Prior to his work in the solar and hydrogen space, Mr. Bailey served as Adjunct Assistant Professor and Assistant to the Vice President of Research at the University of Montana in Missoula after a career in secondary education.



### **Shane Getson, Member of the Legislative Assembly, Alberta**

Shane Getson was first elected as the Member of the Legislative Assembly for Lac Ste. Anne-Parkland on April 16, 2019 and was re-elected on May 29, 2023.

Prior to serving in the Alberta Legislature, Mr. Getson was the owner of Major Projects Consulting Company, a civil engineering technologist and a private pilot. Mr. Getson and his wife chose to live in the parkland area for all the opportunities it has, and to be able to raise their family in a safe, clean, and prosperous environment, so that they too can achieve their dreams. Mr. Getson has been a resident of Parkland County for over 10 years, husband of 16 years and a father of 4. He wants to give back as his grandparents did, to make things better for their community, and their families.