Monday, July 18, 2016; 9:15 - 12:15 pm Hyatt Regency; Imperial 3; Calgary, Alberta

# **Tourism**

Co-Chairs:

- Rep Gael Tarleton, Washington State Legislature
- **Dave Cowen,** General Manager, The Butchart Gardens *Hosted by: Alaska Airlines*

9:20 - 9:35 a.m.

#### Welcome and Introduction

- Rep. Gael Tarleton, Washington
- Dave Cowen, General Manager, The Butchart Gardens

9:35-9:50 a.m.

#### Tourism dashboard

Presentation on the economic impact of tourism in the region

 Andrew Little, Director, Intergovernmental Relations, Tourism Policy, British Columbia Government

9:50 - 10:30 a.m.

## **Tourism Policy panel discussion**

Industry leaders discuss effective policy for sustaining regional tourism growth

- Blake Richards, Member of Parliament, Banff-Airdrie
- Royce Chwin, CEO, Travel Alberta
- Ian Robertson, CEO, the Greater Victoria Harbour Authority
- Paul Nursey, President and CEO, Tourism Victoria

10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

## Strategic review of PNWER Tourism Policy Development

Round table discussion looking forward at the priorities, role and structure of the PNWER Tourism Working Group

### Discussion led by:

**Dave Cowen**, General Manager, The Butchart Gardens **Paul Nursey**, President and CEO, Tourism Victoria

11:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

## **Action item development**