

ACTION ITEMS

Infrastructure Working Group 2017



*Pacific NorthWest
Economic Region*

Traditional funding mechanisms for large-scale infrastructure and transportation projects have been challenged in recent years, encouraging states/provinces and regional jurisdictions to find innovative strategies to fund projects. Partnering with private funding sources has found success in Canada and select U.S. states, but a lack of regulation harmonization and disparate financing laws between PNWER U.S. member states presents challenges in coordinating infrastructure and transportation planning efforts.

Action Items	Status
<p>1 Develop PNWER Innovative Finance Task Force into Center of Excellence for performance-based innovative finance infrastructure in order to prepare the region to secure potential federal investment/policy. Secure federal funding through NW congressional delegation and PNWER state legislative support to match private sector underwriting.</p>	<p>In progress</p>
<p>2 Work with Canadian private sector leaders in p3 to showcase success stories to US legislators</p>	<p>In progress</p>