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U.S. Ambassador to Canada and Canada's Ambassador to the U.S. to deliver joint keynote at PNWER Summit in Whistler

United States Ambassador to Canada Bruce Heyman and Canada's Ambassador to the U.S. Gary Doer will deliver the keynote address at the Pacific NorthWest Economic Summit at the Fairmont Chateau Whistler in Whistler, B.C. on Tuesday, July 22. Over 500 state and provincial legislators, business and civic leaders, and local government organizations are meeting this week in Whistler for the 24th Annual PNWER Summit, including: 340 Canadians, 253 Americans, 71 State and Provincial or Territorial Legislators, 14 Ministers, 30 CEO's, 17 Executive Directors of NGO's, and seven Canadian Federal MP's and Senators.

Following the keynote, the Ambassadors will participate in a business roundtable, hearing from business leaders throughout the region on how border management could be improved.

The roundtable will take place at 2:00 p.m. at the Fairmont Chateau Whistler.

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ABOUT THE PNWER SUMMIT

Over 500 state and provincial legislators, business and civic leaders, and local government organizations are meeting this week in Whistler, BC for the 24th Annual PNWER Summit. Working Sessions will focus on topics including: LNG Exports, Energy and Environment, Invasive Species, Agriculture, Innovation, Trade and Economic Development, Mining, Tourism, Water Policy, and Workforce Development. A special session will feature the US Ambassador to Canada and the Canadian Ambassador to the US on the Canada-US Border. Another special session will bring together state, provincial, local, and federal jurisdictions from both nations to examine the Columbia River Treaty. For the detailed agenda, go to: <http://www.pnwer.org/2014summit.html>

ABOUT PNWER

The Pacific NorthWest Economic Region (PNWER) is a public/private non-profit created by statute in 1991. Member jurisdictions include Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, Montana and Washington, and the Canadian provinces and territories of British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, the Northwest Territories and Yukon. PNWER's mission is to increase the economic well-being and quality of life for all citizens of the region; identify and promote "models of success;" and serve as a conduit to exchange information.