



AgTC/USDA Ag Shipper Workshop – Boise

Wednesday, December 6th, 2017

9 AM -- Registration, Coffee and Danish, Workshop: 9:30 AM to 2:00 PM

Location: Idaho Department of Ag, 2270 Old Penitentiary Road

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Ag Shipper Workshops are a great opportunity for off the record, informal, round table style discussion of the most pressing current challenges facing exporters and importers.

No press, ocean carriers or ports -- with the exception of invited high level carrier and rail guests and port sponsor.

*Discussion continues over **lunch**, which will be served mid-day.*

AgTC Member Fee: \$45 Non-Member Fee: \$145

We discuss the most pressing concerns facing exporters in ocean, port, rail and trucking. Following are some topics, if you have others, let us know and/or bring them with you!

- **Introduction to General Discussion**, forum for all attendees to raise issues. Discussion facilitated by:
 - **Peter Friedmann, Executive Director, AgTC**
- **Ocean carrier service to Northwest shippers** – Alliances, mergers, new routes – What we need from ocean carriers. Forecast on the year ahead.
 - **Senior Executive, Global Ocean Carrier**
- **Port Update from Port of Portland and NW Seaport Alliance:** Challenges and solutions shipping through West Coast ports—barge and rail connectivity.
- **Rail:** Outlook for rail service and rates, repositioning equipment inland, new services for time sensitive exports.
- **ELDs and Trucking:** Electronic Logging Devices are coming, are you ready? Plus truck weights, hours of service
- **On-going labor issues at West Coast terminals.** Disputed ILWU jurisdiction and contract negotiation—short term and longer term impacts
- **Federal Maritime Commission.** Petition to prevent unfair congestion/per diem charges, etc.
- **YOUR concerns and questions –encouraged throughout the Workshop. This is a Discussion, not speeches!**

Questions? Call Abigail or Stephen at 202 783 3333 or info@agtrans.org

