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**Portland Metro President
Lynn Peterson**

WHERE

Multnomah Athletic Club
1849 SW Salmon Street
Portland, OR 97205

[CEO Breakfast with Metro President Lynn Peterson](#) –
March 31

This event for firm reps, CEOs, and other senior executives is an unique opportunity to meet and network with leaders of Oregon and southwest Washington engineering companies.

Metro President Lynn Peterson will speak to ACEC Oregon members on Tuesday, March 31.

Peterson's presentation will provide an overview of the 2020 Transportation Investment measure, discuss the regional approach and importance of corridor-focused solutions, region-wide programs and how individuals can weigh in.

SCHEDULE

7:00 A.M. – Registration/check-in

7:15 A.M. – Buffet breakfast

7:45 A.M. - Presentation

8:30 A.M. – Conclusion

COST

\$50 members

\$75 non-members

Click [HERE](#) for more details and to register.

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WHERE

Woodruff Sawyer
1050 SW 6th Avenue, Suite 1000
Portland, OR 97204

SCHEDULE

7:30 A.M. – Check-in &
breakfast

8:00 A.M. – Program begins

10:00 A.M. – Conclusion

CPDs

This class is good for accruing
two (2.0) continuing
professional development
credits.

COST

\$265 members

\$365 non-members

From Doer to Leader: Lessons Learned – April 1

The Leadership Development (LD) series* culminates with a lively and candid session, featuring stories and insights from senior leaders on how to transition from doer to leader.

*One does not need to be a series registrant to attend.
Each part of the series is a stand-alone program, though
they do complement one another.

This facilitated session gives participants a chance to ask industry leaders questions concerning industry, practices and management.

It includes a review of key takeaways from past classes, and group problem solving and sharing strategies.

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**Marshall Coba
CobraCo Government Relations**

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Coba’s Capitol Comments

Senate and House Republican legislators continue their walkout of the 2020 Oregon legislative session to deny quorum, and therefore, to deny floor votes on any policy or budget bills. While the Democratically controlled committees continue to meet and pass bills to the House and Senate floor the lack of enough Republicans will ensure a long list of unfinished business upon sine die at midnight on Sunday, March 8. Through a back and forth series of press releases from legislative leaders earlier this week, it appears that negotiations to bring back the Republicans is not going well and is most likely finished.

Three bills have made their way through the legislative process to the Governor’s desk. None of them are major bills of statewide significance. What is left undone are the budget bills that were the main reason for the creation of the short off-year sessions a decade ago. Yesterday the Ways and Means Committee passed out a series of bills that rebalanced major budgets including \$39 million to Forestry, \$95 million to OHA, \$59 million to DHS, \$25 million to Corrections and others. The bills also included funds for local projects throughout the state for flood damaged Pendleton, Salem’s water system, ocean acidification studies, Medford Children’s Museum, and many others.

Budget areas of interest to ACEC include \$125,000 in the Governor’s budget for

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resiliency planning, \$7.5million to UO for ShakeAlert seismic warning system, \$3.5 million for Lake County Rail Line upgrade, \$1 million for Tigard Hwy. 99 planning, \$2 million to Water Resources for safety evaluation of dams, \$350,000 to OWEB for water infrastructure planning, and \$10 million to Revenue to implement the new CAT.

Timing of the anticipated special session is unknown. It could be as soon as next week immediately following sine die or it could be after the primary elections on May 19. The delay until after May 19 would allow candidates in the primary to continue to raise funds and campaign as they are banned from fundraising if they are a sitting legislator during a regular or special session. Senators Hass and Fagan are running for Secretary of State in a hotly contested 4-way race. This ban would be a great advantage for their two opponents who are not legislators.

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BREAKING NEWS

Thursday, March 5, 3:30 P.M.

Both **Speaker of the House Tina Kotek** and **Senate President Peter Courtney** made emotional, frustrated and angry remarks on their respective floors this afternoon before both adjourned the session through executive action rather than the traditional sine die resolution which requires a quorum.

Both expressed concern for the legislative institution and that we need to find a way to work together to find resolutions to the major issues of our time. Kotek requested the Governor call a special session in the next 30 days to pass the necessary budget bills while Courtney was silent on the issue of special session.

Now all eyes turn to the Tuesday, March 10 filing deadline to see which side may have benefitted from the inability to find middle ground on the major carbon bill. We will see if good candidates have been recruited to help restore order and balance to the process or will the candidates run on a very partisan and ideological platform that tends to not reach consensus. Election day 2020 will be a bellwether day in the immediate future of Oregon's policy and budget priorities.



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8:00 to 11:00 A.M.

*(includes complimentary
breakfast)*

AGENDA

7:45 - 8:15 A.M. – Registration

8:15 - 8:20 A.M. – Introductions

8:20 - 9:30 A.M. – Jen Chung
Presentation

9:30 - 9:45 A.M. – Break

9:45 - 11:00 A.M. – Jenna
Mooney Presentation



Join Woodruff Sawyer for this complimentary benefits legislative update seminar, featuring their in-house ERISA attorney, **Jennifer Chung**, and Davis Wright Tremaine Partner, **Jenna Mooney**.

This event will cover hot topics including 2020 ACA changes, individual health insurance mandates, the rise and potential fall of Association Health Plans, a peek into DOL audit statistics and insights on the Washington and Oregon Paid Family and Medical Leave laws.

Click [HERE](#) to register.



ACEC Oregon meets with Washington County

Several ACEC Oregon board members and **ACEC Oregon Executive Director Alison Davis** recently attended a meeting with Washington County.

Washington County called the meeting to discuss the upcoming on-call RFP.

In order to represent our industry and provide feedback to the County, board members attending represented large, medium and small firms.

The meeting was both positive and productive.

HIGHLIGHTS

- There will be new language regarding Sustainability and DEI (Diversity, Equity and Inclusion).
- ACEC Oregon provided the County with examples of sustainability and equity language.
- There will be a limited number of firms on the on-call list but the exact number has not been determined by the County. ACEC did not weigh-in on this decision.
- There may be a pre-proposal meeting.

- The RFP is expected to be released in the spring.

UPCOMING

- March 20 – ODOT Liaison Committee meeting, Salem
- May 6 – [ACEC / ODOT Partnering Conference](#), Salem
- May 14 – Annual Business Dinner, Multnomah Athletic Club
- June 17 – Networking Day golf tournament, Langdon Farms



COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- March 10 – Engineers for a Sustainable Future present, **“Tualatin River Watershed Restoration”** with Dr. Bruce Roll, PhD, Director of Natural Systems for Clean Water Services and the non-profit Clean Water Institute
WHERE: Glumac Portland (in-person) or Oregon TECH Campus in Wilsonville (via Skype), 12:00 to 1:00 P.M.
No need to RSVP—just show up! MORE INFO: <http://esf-oregon.org/doku.php>, MikeUnger@comcast.net or (503) 348-8716
- March 19 – SAME spring seminar, **“Changes in Structural and Geotechnical Design Requirements”**
Instructors: Jason Bock, GRI; and Seth Thomas, KPFF
Where: KPFF Portland | Program – 1:00 to 5:00 P.M. | Networking/Social – 5:00 to 7:00 P.M.
Registration: SAME.PDX.RSVP@gmail.com or call (503) 643-8710

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