

INFORMATIONAL HEARING

**NATIONAL FREIGHT POLICY: A STRATEGIC AND VITAL NEED**

Tuesday, March 1, 2011  
1:30 p.m. – Room 3191

I. Welcome and Opening Remarks

- Honorable Mark DeSaulnier  
Chairman, Transportation and Housing Committee
- Honorable Alan Lowenthal  
Member, Transportation and Housing Committee
- Members of the Committee

II. West Coast Perspective

- Gary Gallegos  
Executive Director  
San Diego Association of Governments
- Hasan Ikrata  
Executive Director  
Southern California Association of Government
- Jim Miller  
Executive Director, Whatcom Council of Governments  
Chair, West Coast Corridor Coalition

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III. National Perspective

- Mort Downey  
Senior Advisor, Parsons Brinckerhoff  
Chair, Coalition for America's Gateways & Trade Corridors  
Former U.S. Deputy Secretary of Transportation
- JayEtta Hecker  
Director, Transportation Advocacy for the Bipartisan Policy Center's  
National Transportation Policy Project
- Steve Heminger  
Executive Director, Metropolitan Transportation Commission &  
National Surface Transportation Policy Study Commissioner
- Questions of the panelists.

IV. Public Comment

- If you wish to speak, please provide your contact information to the Sergeant-At-Arms and please limit comments to 3 minutes per person.

V. Adjournment