



## - FROM THE PRESIDENT -

NEBC recently held the Northwest Environmental Conference in Portland, Oregon and it was an overwhelming success. Attendance was excellent and the sessions and speakers were top notch. If you missed this year's conference I would highly recommend securing a booth for next year as they go quickly and we anticipate continued growth and attendance. Thank you to all of the members that dedicated time and effort to success of NWEC!

As 2005 comes to a close, it is once again time for the Board of Directors to meet and formulate a strategic plan for 2006. The meeting is expected to be held during the January/February time frame and I encourage input from all members. If you have any ideas or initiatives, please feel free to contact the Executive Director, Robert Grott, so that it can be addressed in the planning session.

As many of you may know, Cara Bergeson has accepted a position with another company. We are so happy for her and wish her only the best with all her endeavors. Cara has been an integral component of NEBC for many years and was critical to the program continuity while the Board of Directors searched for the Executive Director. Cara, you will be greatly missed by NEBC. Thank you for your commitment to each member and the organization!

Happy Holidays!

Judy Lurvey  
Med-Tox Northwest

## - FROM THE PROGRAM MANAGER -

Happy Holidays! It is with a great sense of accomplishment, sadness, and anticipation that I will be leaving NEBC this month. I have accepted a position with a publishing company, a wonderful opportunity to further my current career goals. It has been a genuine pleasure to work for NEBC during these last four and half years. I have enjoyed working with NEBC's membership and colleagues, and will miss my association here. My experience at NEBC has been rewarding and productive, and I wish only the best for the association. NEBC will be posting a position announcement in the next few weeks. If you are interested in learning more about the Program Manager position, please contact Linda Sheeley at [linda@nebc.org](mailto:linda@nebc.org) or at 503.227.6361.

As the end of the year approaches, Linda and I have been busy putting the final touches on the *2006 NEBC Membership Directory & Resources Guide*. Without the support of membership and advertisers, the directory wouldn't be possible, thank you. Watch the mail for your copy of the 2006 directory in early February.

Thank you to all who exhibited and attended the Northwest Environmental Conference (NWEC). The conference and tradeshow were a success. The 2005 Conference continues a 17 year tradition of providing a forum encouraging environmental excellence throughout the Pacific Northwest. This year's conference featured a kick-off keynote address, field trips, hands-on demonstrations and early-bird workshops in addition to consistently relevant conference sessions and abundant networking opportunities. The 2006 NWEC exhibitor application will be available in January. If you are interested in exhibiting, please contact NEBC at 503.227.6361 or visit our website at [www.nebc.org](http://www.nebc.org) for more information and the 2006 exhibitor application (posted in January). You can learn more about the Northwest Environmental Conference by visiting the conference website at [www.nwec.org](http://www.nwec.org).

Happy Holidays,  
Cara S. Bergeson  
NEBC Program Manager

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## - INDUSTRY NEWS -

### OTHER INDUSTRY EVENTS & MEETINGS

**Oregon Business Plan 4th Annual Leadership Summit** The Oregon Leadership Summit will be held on January 9 from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Oregon Convention Center. The Summit will bring together members of industry and elected officials. Included will be ten breakout sessions organized around industry clusters. NEBC has been participating as one of those clusters and will be part of a breakout session on "Environmental Technology and Sustainable Industries." The objectives of the breakout sessions are to educate elected officials about industry sectors and to allow the sectors to put forward specific policy initiatives. NEBC members - and others in the environmental industry - are encouraged to attend (registration \$100). Also on the agenda are presentations by Harvard Professor and Business Development Strategist, Michael E. Porter, and Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation Executive Director for Education, Tom Vander Ark. Throughout the day, you will be hearing from members of the Plan's Leadership Committee, including U.S. Senators Ron Wyden and Gordon Smith, Governor Ted Kulongoski, Senate President Peter Courtney and House Speaker Karen Minnis. For details and registration go to [www.oregonbusinessplan.org](http://www.oregonbusinessplan.org)

**2006 Oregon Procurement Fair** January, 10 2006, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Portland, Oregon. Selling to the Department of Defense, Conference & Trade Show. Co-hosted by the Government Contracts Assistance Program (GCAP); the Oregon Economic and Community Development Department (OECD) and Senator Gordon Smith. An opportunity for businesses to meet buyers, contracting officers, and small business specialists from major federal agencies and large companies to discuss procurement opportunities and how to do business with government agencies. Training sessions include RFID- Radio Frequency Identification, SBIR-Small Business Innovation Research, Selling to the Defense Logistics Agency, Wide Area Workflow(Electronic Invoicing & Receiving Reports) and more! For more info and to register visit [www.ectag.org](http://www.ectag.org), click on Upcoming Events.

**Sustainability – New Standards, Guidelines and Best Practices.** Learn how public reporting on Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) and sustainability is creating new business opportunities for companies and consultants. This workshop will be held December 14, 2005 from 8:00 – 4:30 pm at the Seattle Center, Shaw Room. To learn more and to register, please visit [www.cleanerproduction.com](http://www.cleanerproduction.com).

**Globe 2006.** From March 29th to 31st, 2006, business leaders, policy makers, and solutions providers from around the world will come together at GLOBE 2006 to discuss the most recent developments in the business of the environment and find innovative solutions to global environmental challenges. At the GLOBE 2006 Trade Fair, more than 400 exhibitors from North America, Europe and Asia are expected to display a broad range of environmental and energy technologies, services and solutions to 10,000 participants from around the world. The GLOBE 2006 Trade Fair will also highlight innovations in critical and emerging sub-sectors, including two exciting showcases that will feature the most recent advances in Transportation Technologies and Sustainable Construction. For further details, please contact: Zahida Kanani, Registration Manager, (604) 775-8031 or by email at [Zahida.Kanani@globe.ca](mailto:Zahida.Kanani@globe.ca) or visit the website at [www.globe2006.com](http://www.globe2006.com)

Environmental and Engineering Geophysical Society is pleased to announce the theme, **Geophysical Applications for Environmental & Engineering Hazards – Advances & Constraints** for this year's SAGEEP being held April 2-6, 2006 at the DoubleTree Hotel in Seattle, Washington. This theme will give rise to quite a range of topics for the over 150 oral and poster presentations, numerous in-depth workshops, prepared short courses, technical presentations, and field trips. For more information and to register, please visit [www.eegs.org](http://www.eegs.org).

## - MEMBER-TO-MEMBER -

### MEMBER DISCOUNTS

**Associated Technologies Council.** NEBC has partnered with the Associated Technologies Council (ATC) in order to allow you to participate in their employee benefits program. ATC provides employee benefits to companies in Computer Technology, Bioscience, Telecommunications and now Environmental Sciences. Because ATC is able to pool firms together across a wide spectrum of desirable industries, they are able to provide medical benefits up to 20% below what you are probably paying now. In addition, there are benefits available like, paperless enrollment, single invoice billing and COBRA administration all provided at no cost to you. Contact Tino Versoza, NEBC Benefits Representative (503) 626-9135 or email: [tino@get-benefits.com](mailto:tino@get-benefits.com) for a free no obligation benefits analysis.

**Financial Planning Services with Waddell & Reed.** NEBC members receive at 20% discount on financial planning services provided by Financial Advisors of Waddell & Reed, a national financial planning firm founded in 1937. Planning services include retirement planning, wealth management, tax-efficient investing, education funding, estate protection, and succession planning for closely-held businesses. Other business services include retirement plans and financial education workshops. Contact Karen Einberger, Financial Advisor, Waddell & Reed, 206.283.6661 or [keinberger@wradvisors.com](mailto:keinberger@wradvisors.com).

**Sustainable Industries Journal (SIJ).** The NEBC member discount for the Sustainable Industries Journal is better than imagined – it's still a \$10 discount, but the new annual subscription rate is only \$39, that means that NEBC members can receive this new publication for only \$29/year! For more information look to: <http://www.sijournal.com/>

**Oregon Insider.** NEBC members may take advantage of a \$150 introductory rate for the first year (24 issues), a savings of \$95 off their regular base rate. In addition, NEBC members will enjoy an ongoing subscription rate of \$195 per year, which represents an ongoing savings of \$50 per year. To redeem your discount please contact Oregon Insider by calling David Light at 541.343.8504 or by email at [epi@rio.com](mailto:epi@rio.com).

**Northwest Environmental Training Center.** NEBC has partnered with NWETC to offer our member companies an exceptional opportunity to provide continuing education to its employees at a 20% discount off the published rate on all of NWETC's technical training workshops, conferences, and seminars. For more information, visit their website <http://www.nwetc.org/> or contact Erick McWayne at 206-762-1976.

### EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

**Environmental Regulations of Oregon: An Overview of Federal and State Law** is presented by Northwest Environmental Training Center on February 2 - 3, 2006, 8:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. (2 Days) at the Ecotrust (Jean Vollum Natural Capital Center) - Conference Center located at 721 NW 9th Avenue, Suite 200, Portland, Oregon. Instructors include: Jeff Dresser, Bridgewater Group, Inc.; Dr. Shane Latimer, Jones & Stokes Consulting; Candee Hatch, Oregon Department of Environmental Quality; Ann Levine, Oregon Department of Environmental Quality; and April Zohn, Jones & Stokes Consulting. This 2-day course covers the key federal, and state environmental regulations that govern natural resource management in the State of Oregon. The discussion of each of these regulations will focus on how to integrate overlapping requirements and develop a "no-surprises" project plan. Emphasis will be on providing the resources and information needed to conduct a preliminary constraints analysis, understanding the various permitting processes and how they relate to one another, and the importance of early and frequent coordination with appropriate resource agencies. ***For more information and to register for the above training session, please visit [www.nwetc.org](http://www.nwetc.org).***

### EMPLOYEE OPORTUNITIES

**Engineering Programs/Environmental Services Office**, Recruitment Number: 05-00-112. This is a Washington State Department of Transportation position, which is located at the Army Corps of Engineers' (ACOE) Office in South Seattle. The position functions as a senior professional wetland specialist/consulting expert at the ACOE reviewing transportation projects for individual and nationwide permits under Section 404 of the Federal Clean Water Act. This position serves as a liaison between the Department of Transportation and the ACOE. For more information and application instructions, visit the following link: [http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/employment/job\\_openings/05\\_00\\_112\\_TPS4.htm](http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/employment/job_openings/05_00_112_TPS4.htm)  
Location: Seattle. Salary: \$52,212 - \$66,852 annually, DOQ. Closing Date: December 21, 2005

**- NEBC 2006 EVENTS CALENDAR -****February**

1	Olympic Chapter Committee Meeting	10:00 AM – 11:30 PM	AGC – Seattle, WA
1	Olympic Chapter Luncheon – Topic: Legislative Update	11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	McCormick & Schmick's Harborside – Seattle, WA
9	Cascade Chapter Committee Meeting	9:30 AM – 11:00 AM	Fifth Avenue Suites – Portland, OR
9	Cascade Chapter Luncheon – Topic: TBD	11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Fifth Avenue Suites – Portland, OR

**March**

1	Olympic Chapter Luncheon – Topic: TBD	11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	McCormick & Schmick's Harborside – Seattle, WA
9	Cascade Chapter Pub Mixer	5:30 PM – 7:00 PM	Portland Brewing – Portland, OR

**April**

5	Olympic Chapter Committee Meeting	10:00 AM – 11:30 PM	AGC – Seattle, WA
5	Olympic Chapter Luncheon – Topic: TBD	11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	McCormick & Schmick's Harborside – Seattle, WA
13	Cascade Chapter Committee Meeting	9:30 AM – 11:00 AM	Fifth Avenue Suites – Portland, OR
13	Cascade Chapter Luncheon – Topic: TBD	11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Fifth Avenue Suites – Portland, OR

**May**

3	Olympic Chapter Luncheon – Topic: TBD	11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	McCormick & Schmick's Harborside – Seattle, WA
11	Cascade Chapter Luncheon – Topic: TBD	11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Fifth Avenue Suites – Portland, OR
24	Board of Directors Meeting	11:30 AM – 4:00 PM	Preston Gates & Ellis – Seattle, WA
24	Olympic Chapter Mariners Night	5:00 PM – Game over	Safeco Field - Seattle, WA

**June**

8	Cascade Chapter Committee Meeting	9:30 AM – 11:00 AM	Fifth Avenue Suites – Portland, OR
8	Cascade Chapter Luncheon – Topic: TBD	11:30 AM – 1:00 AM	Fifth Avenue Suites – Portland, OR
TBD	Olympic Chapter Golf Tournament	7:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Harbour Pointe Golf Club – Mukilteo, WA

**July**

TBD	Board of Directors Meeting	12:00 PM – 4:30 PM	Hart Crowser – Seattle, WA
TBD	Olympic Chapter Rooftop Mixer	5:00 PM – 7:00 PM	Hart Crowser – Seattle, WA
TBD	Cascade Chapter Golf Tournament	7:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Langdon Farms Golf Course – Aurora, OR

**September**

6	Olympic Chapter Committee Meeting	10:00 AM – 11:30 PM	AGC – Seattle, WA
6	Olympic Chapter Luncheon – Topic: TBD	11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	McCormick & Schmick's Harborside – Seattle, WA
TBD	Board of Directors Meeting	TBD	Lane Powell – Portland, OR
TBD	Cascade Chapter Summer Mixer	5:30 PM – 7:00 PM	Lane Powell – Portland, OR

**October**

12	Cascade Chapter Committee Meeting	9:30 AM – 11:00 AM	Fifth Avenue Suites – Portland, OR
12	Cascade Chapter Luncheon – Topic: TBD	11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Fifth Avenue Suites – Portland, OR
TBD	Northwest Environmental Summit & Trade Show	All Day	Tacoma Convention Center – Tacoma, WA

**November**

1	Olympic Chapter Committee Meeting	10:00 AM – 11:30 PM	AGC – Seattle, WA
1	Olympic Chapter Luncheon – Topic: TBD	11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	McCormick & Schmick's Harborside – Seattle, WA
9	Cascade Chapter Luncheon – Topic: TBD	11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Fifth Avenue Suites – Portland, OR

**December**

6	Hazwoper Training	8:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Red Lion Hotel on the River – Portland, OR
7 - 8	Northwest Environmental Conference & Trade Show	All Day	Red Lion Hotel on the River – Portland, OR
7	Board of Directors Meeting	TBD	Red Lion Hotel on the River – Portland, OR

\*Event dates and topics subject to change.

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