

## Maximizing Emergency Support Across the Border in the Pacific Northwest: An Open Forum for a Stronger Future

**Narrative:** This session will be a facilitated discussion involving all meeting participants to discuss opportunities to improve cross border collaboration in emergencies in the Pacific Northwest. This discussion is a unique opportunity that brings together the regional leaders from the emergency management and health sectors to discuss strengthening Provincial, State and Federal coordination.

### **Objectives:**

1. Explore successes and missed opportunities for using formal mutual aid agreements (such as PNEMA) in the Pacific Northwest.
2. Discuss barriers that limit our successful utilization of PNEMA.
3. Identify opportunities to strengthen coordination between emergency management and health sector coordination across the border.