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As PNWA's Executive Director, Kristin Meira leads the association's work with Congress, federal agencies and regional decision makers on transportation, trade, energy and environmental policies and projects. PNWA's membership includes 145 public ports, transportation providers, agriculture and forest products producers, public utilities, manufacturers, labor groups and others in Washington, Oregon, and Idaho. Meira joined the PNWA team in 2002.

Meira moved to Portland in 2000 after spending five years on Capitol Hill in Washington DC, where she worked for U.S. Senator Patty Murray and U.S. Senator Bill Bradley. Her political experience also includes work as a legislative assistant for a N.J. State Assemblyman, briefing aide to N.J. Governor Jim Florio, and work on several campaigns around the nation.

Meira has a BA with a dual major in Political Science/History and a double major in English from Rutgers University. She makes her home outside Portland, Oregon.

She serves on the following boards and committees:

- Board of Directors of the National Waterways Conference (NWC) (2006–2015, 2020-present)
- Freight Committee for the City of Portland (2011-present)
- Harbors & Navigation and Environment Committees of the American Association of Port Authorities (AAPA) (2002-present)
- Washington State DOT Freight Stakeholder Group (2020)

Past board experience includes:

- NOAA Fisheries' Columbia Basin Partnership Task Force Phase I (2017-2019)
- Inland Water Transportation Committee of the Transportation Research Board (TRB) of the National Academy of Sciences (2010-2019)
- Board of Directors of the Merchants Exchange of Portland (2012-2018)