

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

EMPLOYEE POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM ☐ Original ☐ Amendment

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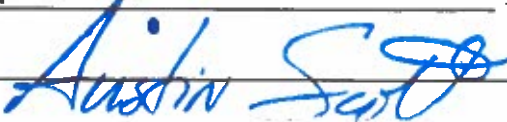
1. Name of Traveler: Sarah O'Connor
2. a. Name of Accompanying Relative: _____ **OR** ☒ None
b. Relationship to Traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): _____
3. a. Dates: Departure: August 17, 2026 Return: August 19, 2026
b. Dates at Personal Expense, if any: _____ **OR** ☒ None
4. Departure City: Washington, D.C. Destination: Lewiston, ID Return City: Washington, D.C.
5. Sponsor(s), Who Paid for the Trip: WA Association of Wheat Growers (Primary Sponsor), The McGregor Company and Northwest RiverPartners
6. Describe Meetings and Events Attended: Meetings consisted of informational panels, site visits to the lower granite dam and port of Lewiston, and then a networking dinner.
7. Attached to this form are **each** of the following, *signify that each item is attached by checking the corresponding box*:
 - a. ☒ a completed *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form*;
 - b. ☒ the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* completed by the trip sponsor **prior** to the trip, **including all** attachments **and** the *Additional Sponsor Form(s)*;
 - c. ☒ page 2 of the completed *Traveler Form* submitted by the employee; **and**
 - d. ☒ the letter from the Committee on Ethics approving my participation on this trip.
8. a. ☒ I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the attached sponsor's agenda. *Signify statement is true by checking the box.*
b. If not, explain: _____

I certify that the information contained on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Traveler: _____ Date: 09/03/2026

I authorized this travel in advance. I have determined that all of the expenses listed on the attached *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form* were necessary and that the travel was in connection with the employee's official duties and would not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Name of Supervising Member: Rep. Austin Scott Date: 09/03/2026

Signature of Supervising Member: 

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SPONSOR POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

☒ Original ☐ Amendment

This form must be completed by an officer of any organization that served as the primary trip sponsor in providing travel expenses or reimbursement for travel expenses to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. **A completed copy of the form must be provided to each House Member, officer, or employee who participated in the trip within 10 days of their return.** You must answer all questions, and check all boxes, on this form for your submission to comply with House Rules and the Committee's Travel Regulations. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the denial of future requests to sponsor trips and/or subject the current traveler to disciplinary action or a requirement to repay the trip expenses.

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1. Sponsor(s) who paid or provided in-kind support for the trip: WA Association of Wheat Growers (Primary Sponsor)
The McGregor Company and Northwest RiverPartners
2. Travel Destination(s): Lewiston, Idaho
3. Date of Departure: August 17, 2026 Date of Return: August 19, 2026
4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): Hannah Balash, Heather Eilers-Bowser, Curran Gilster, Elliot Shin, Jaylene Kennedy, and Sarah O'Connor
*Note: You may list more than one traveler on a form only if **all** information is **identical** for each person listed.*
5. **Actual amount** of expenses paid on behalf of, or reimbursed to, each individual named in Question 4:

	Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses	Total Other Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
Traveler	\$1,296.40	\$237.80	\$82.00	none
Accompanying Family Member	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

6. ☒ All expenses connected to the trip were for actual costs incurred and not a *per diem* or lump sum payment. Signify statement is true by checking box.

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Michelle Hennings Date: 8-20-26

Name: Michelle Hennings Title: Executive Director

Organization: Washington Association of Wheat Growers

☒ **I am an officer of the above-named organization. Signify statement is true by checking box.**

Address: 109 East First, Ritzville, WA 99169

Telephone: 509-659-0610 Email: michelle@wawg.org

Committee staff may contact the above-named individual if additional information is required.

If you have questions regarding your completion of this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103.

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I certify that the information contained on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Traveler: _____

Date: 09/03/2026

I authorized this travel in advance. I have determined that all of the expenses listed on the attached *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form* were necessary and that the travel was in connection with the employee's official duties and would not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Name of Supervising Member: Rep. Austin Scott

Date: 09/03/2026

Signature of Supervising Member: _____

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August 13, 2026

Ms. Sarah O'Connor
Office of the Honorable Austin Scott
2185 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Ms. O'Connor:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Lewiston, Idaho, scheduled for August 17 to 19, 2026, sponsored by Washington Association of Wheat Growers, the McGregor Company, and Northwest RiverPartners. We remind you that, because the trip sponsor employs a federal lobbyist, you may participate in officially-connected activity on one calendar day only.

You must complete an Employee Post-Travel Disclosure Form (which your employing Member must also sign) and file it, together with a Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form completed by the trip sponsor, with the Clerk of the House within 15 days after your return from travel. As part of that filing, you are also required to attach a copy of this letter and both the Traveler and Primary Trip Sponsor Forms (including attachments) you previously submitted to the Committee in seeking pre-approval for this trip. If you are required to file an annual Financial Disclosure Statement, you must also report all travel expenses totaling more than \$525 from a single source on the "Travel" schedule of your annual Financial Disclosure Statement covering this calendar year. Finally, Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting information provided to the Committee for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Committee's Office of Advice and Education at extension 5-7103.

Sincerely,

Michael Guest
Chairman

Mark DeSaulnier
Ranking Member

MG/MD:nl

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

TRAVELER FORM

This form should be completed by House Members, officers, or employees seeking Committee approval of privately-sponsored travel or reimbursement for travel under House Rule 25, clause 5. The completed form should be submitted directly to the Committee by each invited House Member, officer, or employee, together with the completed and signed trip sponsor form(s) and any attachments. A copy of this form, minus this initial page, will be made available for public inspection.

This form and any attachments may be submitted at 1015 Longworth House Office Building or travel.requests@mail.house.gov.

Your completed request must be submitted to the Committee no less than 30 days before your proposed departure date. Absent exceptional circumstances, permission will not be granted for requests received less than 30 days before the trip commences. **You must receive explicit approval from the Committee before you depart on this trip.**

Name of Traveler: Sarah O'Connor

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

I certify that the information contained on both pages of this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: 

Name of Signatory (if other than traveler): N/A

For Staff (name of employing Member or Committee): Rep. Austin Scott

Office Address: 2185 Rayburn House Office Building

Telephone Number: 202-225-6531

Email Address of Contact Person: sarah.oconnor@mail.house.gov

☐ Check this box if the sponsoring entity is a media outlet, the purpose of the trip is to make a media appearance sponsored by that entity, and these forms are being submitted to the Committee less than 30 days before the trip departure date.

NOTE: You must complete all of the contact information fields above, as Committee staff may need to contact you if additional information is required.

KEEP A COPY OF THIS FORM. Page 2 (but not this page) must be submitted to the Clerk as part of the post-travel disclosure required by House Rule 25. Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting paperwork for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

If there are any questions regarding this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103 or via email: travel.requests@mail.house.gov.

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TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: Sarah O'Connor
2. Sponsor(s) who will be paying or providing in-kind support for the trip: WA Association of Wheat Growers and The McGregor Company and Northwest RiverPartners
3. City and State **OR** Foreign Country of Travel: Spokane, WA and Lewiston, ID
4. a. Date of Departure: 08/17/2024 Date of Return: 08/19/2024
b. Yes ☐ No ☒ Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense?
If yes, list dates at personal expense: _____
5. a. Yes ☐ No ☒ Will you be accompanied by a family member at the sponsor's expense? If yes:
(1) Name of Accompanying Family Member: _____
(2) Relationship to Traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other(specify): _____
(3) Yes ☐ No ☒ Accompanying Family Member is at least 18 years of age?
6. a. Yes ☒ No ☐ Did the trip sponsor answer "Yes" to Question 8(c) on the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* (i.e., travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or a foreign agent)?
b. If yes, and you are requesting lodging for two nights, explain why the second night is warranted:
The first day is a travel day, the tour is the next day & then we travel back the 3rd day
7. Yes ☒ No ☐ *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* is attached, including agenda, invitation, invitee list, and any other attachments and Additional Sponsor Forms.
NOTE: The agenda should show the traveler's individual schedule, including departure and arrival times and identify the specific events in which the traveler will be participating.
8. Explain why participation in the trip is connected to the traveler's individual official or representational duties. Staff should include their job title and how the activities on the itinerary relate to their duties.
As a Legislative Correspondent for Representative Austin Scott, I advise the Congressman on transportation policy and related legislative issues. This educational tour directly supports my official duties by providing firsthand insight into the operation of the Lower Snake River System and its role in freight transportation, infrastructure, energy production, and commerce. The knowledge gained will strengthen my ability to advise the Congressman, evaluate legislation, and support informed policymaking.
9. Yes ☐ No ☒ Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip?
10. For staff travelers, to be completed by your employing Member:

ADVANCED AUTHORIZATION OF EMPLOYEE TRAVEL

I hereby authorize the individual named above, an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives who works under my direct supervision, to accept expenses for the trip described in this request. I have determined that the above-described travel is in connection with my employee's official duties and that acceptance of these expenses will not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Signature of Employing Member:

Austin Scott

Date: 07/15/2024

Lower Snake River Dam System Educational Tour

Lewiston, Idaho

*With financial support from Washington State Potato Commission, The McGregor Company
and Northwest RiverPartners*

August 17-19, 2026

Tour Objective/Goal: The Washington Association of Wheat Growers (WAWG) will demonstrate the importance of Marine Highway 84 for the region's navigation, irrigation, tourism and hydropower. Nearly 60 percent of the nation's wheat, corn and soybean are transported on the Lower Snake River-Columbia River system for export.

Relevance to Staffers' official duties: Congressional staffers were targeted by their topics of responsibility including agriculture, natural resources, energy, and/or transportation. Many staffers have never had the opportunity to see the Lower Snake River System. We want them to experience the river system first-hand and hear from those who utilize the river for navigation, irrigation, tourism and hydropower

Location: The purpose of travel to Lewiston, Idaho is for staffers to see and experience a hydro-power generating dam with fish ladders, visit the nation's furthest inland seaport in Lewiston as well as learn about the activities of the Port of Lewiston.

August 17 -- TRAVEL DAY

7:25 am flight departs Washington, D.C. or member's home district and arrival at Spokane International Airport around 2:09pm.

3 pm Bus shuttle leaves airport to Hells Canyon Grand Hotel.

5 pm Arrive at Hells Canyon Grand Hotel, 621 21st St. in Lewiston

There are no activities planned for this day. Will provide a voucher for dinner if they choose to stay on premise for their evening meal.

August 18

6:30 - 8:45 am Working Breakfast and Introductions at hotel

Panel providing overview tour and sharing the importance of Marine Hwy 84 by river users' panel and set the stage for the day's stops. This panel will share several of the perspectives that we don't enough time to show during the tour.

Michelle Hennings, Panel Moderator, WAWG

Neil Maunu, Pacific Northwest Waterways Association

Captain Jeremy Nielsen, Columbia River Pilots

Mark Freeman, American Cruise Lines

Jennifer Riddle, Tidewater

8:45 – 10:15 am Load bus and go to Boyer Park & Marina

Geordy Bryant Greene, WA State Potato Commission will share importance of irrigation to region's farmers.

Tom Kammerzell, Port of Whitman Commissioner will share history of area as well as information about the Port of Whitman County (which owns Boyer Park and Marina).

10:15 –11:00am

Arrive Boyer Park & Marina 1753 Granite Rd. Colton (Hwy 195 to Hwy 194)

Get on tour boat to go through the navigation locks to the Lower Granite Dam
Experience the navigational lock from inside as the boat goes through the locks, Corp of Engineer representative will be on the boat to explain the process as it happens. These are one of four of the navigational locks on the Lower Snake River System and are critical to shipping fuel, fertilizer and commodities (wheat, lumber, corn and soybeans) as well as for the cruise ships to go up and down the river. Bus will meet the boat on the other side of the dam and transport group to the visitor center for the start of the tour.

11:00 am-1:15 pm

Arrive at Lower Granite Dam

Clark Mather, Northwest RiverPartners Clark will share region's hydropower helps provide clean energy to his organization's members – community-owned electric utilities in OR, WA, ID, MT, US, NV, CA and WY.

Chuck Witherspoon, Corp of Engineers, Safety brief and Project Orientation presentation provides mission of dam (hydropower, fish passage and navigation)

Walking tour of Dam – Corp of Engineers

Information Center

Adult fish trap – watch various agencies conduct studies on adult salmonids

Adult fish ladders –bird's eye view of how a fish ladder works

Fish screens – how fish are diverted away from turbines

Removable Spillway Weir (RSW) – bypassing juvenile fish through spillways

Power House – show running generators and discuss power production

Group photo in front of the dam

The opportunity for House/Senate staffers to see first-hand the dam and its multiple purposes is a very critical element of this event. They will be hearing from Corp operation manager and fish biologist as to the power and fish saving activities that occur at the dam.

1:15 pm

Load bus, pass out the boxed lunches and drive to Port of Lewiston

Leslie Druffel, The McGregor Company will share how this family-owned business provides fertilizer and crop protection to the region's farmers and uses Marine Hwy 84 to transport their product.

George Walker, AgriNorthwest the company's history dates to 1968 and is headquartered in Kennewick, WA, and includes several large farms in WA and OR and uses irrigation with their crops.

2:45-3:45 pm

Port of Lewiston, 1626 N 6th Ave., Lewiston

Scott Corbitt, Manager of Port of Lewiston provides a tour of the port facilities and the new cruise line docking structure. This is the nation's further inland seaport and there are many businesses at the port. We will see the recently completed Confluence Riverfront docking system for American Cruise Lines (a large economic driver to area's tourism).

Xochitl Casteneda, MARAD, Director of Pacific Northwest & Alaska Gateway, for US Dept. of Transportation. The DOT agency responsible for America's waterborne transportation system, the Maritime Administration (MARAD) is busy. At their core, they support the technical aspects of America's maritime transportation infrastructure -- things like ships and shipping, port and

vessel operations, national security, environment, and safety. They promote the use of waterborne transportation, and ensure that its infrastructure integrates seamlessly with other methods of transportation.

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| 3:45-4:00 pm | Load bus and go to Hells Canyon Grand Hotel, 621 21 st St. |
| 4:00-5:00 pm | Participant break time at hotel |
| 5:15 -5:30 pm | Load bus and arrive at Lindsay Creek Vineyard, 3107 Powers Ave. |
| 5:30-8:30 pm | Networking and Dinner – invitation has been sent to farmers that did not attend the tour to come and join us for dinner. We want staffers to meet our growers and hear their stories of the value of Marine Hwy 84 to their farms and businesses. |
| 8:30-8:45 pm | Return to hotel – event concluded |

August 19 – TRAVEL DAY

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| 6:30 – 7 am | Breakfast available – but not required to attend |
| 7 – 9 am | Bus departs and travels to Spokane International Airport |
| 11 am | Senate staffer depart from GEG |
| 9:59 pm | Arrival at DCA |

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

PRIMARY TRIP SPONSOR FORM

This form should be completed by private entities offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. A completed copy of the form (and any attachments) should be provided to each invited House Member, officer, or employee, who will then forward it to the Committee together with a *Traveler Form* **at least 30 days before the start date of the trip**. The trip sponsor should *NOT* submit the form directly to the Committee. The Committee's website (ethics.house.gov) provides detailed instructions for filling out the form. The Committee will notify the House invitees directly of its decision and will not notify the trip sponsors.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Failure to comply with the Committee's Travel Regulations may also lead to the denial of permission to sponsor future trips. Signatures must comply with section 104(bb) of the Travel Regulations.

1. Sponsor who will be paying for the trip:
Washington Association of Wheat Growers
2. ☒ I represent that the trip will not be financed, in whole or in part, by a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent. *Signify that the statement is true by checking box.*
3. **Check only one.** I represent that:
 - a. ☐ The primary trip sponsor has not accepted from any other source, funds intended directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip; **OR**
 - b. ☐ The trip is arranged without regard to congressional participation and the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds only from entities that will receive a tangible benefit in exchange for those funds; **OR**
 - c. ☒ The primary trip sponsor has accepted funds, services, or in-kind assistance from other source(s) intended directly or indirectly to finance all or part of this trip and has enclosed disclosure forms from each of those entities.
If "c" is checked, list the names of the additional sponsors: The McGregor Company and Northwest RiverPartners
4. Provide names and titles of **ALL** House Members *and* employees you are inviting. **For each House invitee, provide an explanation of why the individual was invited** (include additional pages if necessary): see excel spreadsheet of those invited due to their roles pertaining to Lower Snake River System issues.
5. Yes ☐ No ☒ Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)?
6. Date of Departure: August 17, 2026 Date of Return: August 19, 2026
7. a. City of departure: Washington, D.C.
b. Destination(s): Will fly into Spokane International Airport and then shuttled to Lewiston
c. City of return: Washington, D.C.
8. **Check only one.** I represent that
 - a. ☐ The sponsor of the trip is an institution of higher education within the meaning of section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965; **OR**
 - b. ☐ The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent; **OR**
 - c. ☒ The sponsor employs or retains a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but the trip is for attendance at a one-day event *and* lobbyist / foreign agent involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the Committee's travel regulations.

9. **Check only one of the following.**

- a. ☐ I checked 8(a) or (b) above; **OR**
b. ☐ I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging; **OR**
c. ☐ I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for one night; **OR**
d. ☒ I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for two nights. If you checked this box, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted. For those traveling into the region, our tour concludes at 8:30 pm and there are no available flights out of Spokane after 10:30 pm.

10. ☒ Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities House invitees will be participating in during the travel (i.e., an hourly description of planned activities for trip invitees). Indicate agenda is attached by checking box.

11. **Check only one of the following.**

- a. ☒ I represent that a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip. Signify the statement is true by clicking the box; **OR**
b. ☐ Not Applicable. Trip sponsor is a U.S. institution of higher education.

12. For **each** sponsor required to submit a sponsor form, describe the sponsor's interest in the subject matter of the trip **and** its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip:

The Lower Snake River System is critical to our growers in transporting their product to Portland. Our joint sponsors, The McGregor Company and Northwest RiverPartners, have a customers/members as well. Joint sponsors are providing funding and speakers for the tour.

13. **Answer parts a and b. Answer part c if necessary:**

- a. Mode of travel: Air ☒ Rail ☐ Bus ☒ Car ☒ Other ☒ (specify: boat)
b. Class of travel: Coach ☐ Business ☐ First ☐ Charter ☐ Other ☐ (specify: _____)
c. If travel will be first class, or by chartered or private aircraft, explain why such travel is warranted:

14. ☒ I represent that the expenditures related to local area travel during the trip will be unrelated to personal or recreational activities of the invitee(s). Signify that the statement is true by checking box.

15. **Check only one.** I represent that either:

- a. ☐ The trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation and that meals provided to congressional participants are similar to those provided to or purchased by other event attendees; **OR**

- b. ☒ The trip involves events that are arranged specifically *with regard* to congressional participation. If "b" is checked:

1) Detail the cost *per day* of meals (approximate cost may be provided): \$28 for dinner on Aug 17th; \$19 for lunch, \$7 for snacks, \$28 for dinner for August 18th

2) Provide the reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: Lewiston is the closest city to the Lower Granite Dam the Lower Snake River dam that we will be visiting.

16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:

Hotel Name: Hells Canyon Grand Hotel City: Lewiston Cost Per Night: \$110

Reason(s) for Selecting: One of the few Lewiston hotels to accomodate room block size and includes breakfast.

Hotel Name: _____ City: _____ Cost Per Night: _____

Reason(s) for Selecting: _____

Hotel Name: _____ City: _____ Cost Per Night: _____

Reason(s) for Selecting: _____

17. ☒ I represent that all expenses connected to the trip will be for actual costs incurred and not a per diem or lump sum payment. *Signify that the statement is true by checking the box.*

18. **Total Expenses for each Participant:**

☐ Actual Amounts ☒ Good Faith Estimates	Total Transportation Expenses per Participant	Total Lodging Expenses per Participant	Total Meal Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	\$1,297	\$220	\$82
For each Accompanying Family Member	n/a	n/a	n/a

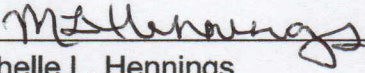
	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item)	Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or Employee		
For each Accompanying Family Member		

19. **Check only one:**

- a. ☒ I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below; **OR**
b. ☐ *Not Applicable.* Trip sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education.

20. **I certify by my signature that**

- a. **I read and understand the Committee's Travel Regulations;**
b. **I am not a registered federal lobbyist or registered foreign agent; and**
c. **The information on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.**

Signature:  Date: 7/14/26
Name: Michelle L. Hennings Title: Executive Director
Organization: Washington Association of Wheat Growers
Address: 109 East First, Ritzville, WA 99169
Email: michelle@wawg.org Telephone: 509 659 0610

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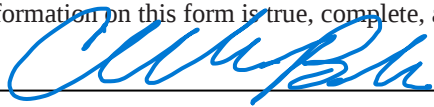
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ADDITIONAL TRIP SPONSOR FORM

This form should be completed by an organization that provides funds, services, or in-kind assistance to another entity to underwrite, in whole or in part, a trip or an event, meal, or activity that will occur during a trip, or a necessary expense that will be incurred during a trip, with express or implicit knowledge or understanding that one or more House Members or employees may participate in or attend that trip or event, or otherwise may be beneficiaries of the gift or donation. **Provide a copy of your completed form to the primary sponsor of the trip.**

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1. Name of Primary Trip Sponsor for this trip: _____
2. Name of your organization: _____
3. Yes ☐ No ☐ Is your organization designated a § 501(c)(3) charitable organization by the Internal Revenue Service?
4. Yes ☐ No ☐ Does your organization receive funding from any foreign government or multinational organization?
5. **Check one.** I certify that my organization:
 - a. ☐ Has provided a grant, gift, or donation to the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor and conducts an audit or review of its grant, gift, or donation to ensure that the funds are spent in accordance with the terms of its grant, gift, or donation. **OR**
 - b. ☐ Has had a direct role in the organizing, planning, or conducting of a trip to
Destination: _____ on Date: _____
that is being organized or arranged by the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor. **OR**
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7. **I certify by my signature that**
 - a. I read and understand the Committee's Travel Regulations;
 - b. I am not a registered federal lobbyist or registered foreign agent;
 - c. I am an officer of this organization and am duly authorized to sign this form; and
 - d. The information on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature:  _____ Date:  _____

Name: _____ Title: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

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1. Name of Primary Trip Sponsor for this trip: Washington Association of Wheat Growers
2. Name of your organization: The McGregor Company
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Signature: Leslie Druffel Date: 7/13/2026
Name: Leslie Druffel Title: Outreach Director

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Lower Snake River Dam System Educational Tour

Lewiston, Idaho

*With financial support from Washington State Potato Commission, The McGregor Company
and Northwest RiverPartners*

August 17-19, 2026

Tour Objective/Goal: The Washington Association of Wheat Growers (WAWG) will demonstrate the importance of Marine Highway 84 for the region's navigation, irrigation, tourism and hydropower. Nearly 60 percent of the nation's wheat, corn and soybean are transported on the Lower Snake River-Columbia River system for export.

Relevance to Staffers' official duties: Congressional staffers were targeted by their topics of responsibility including agriculture, natural resources, energy, and/or transportation. Many staffers have never had the opportunity to see the Lower Snake River System. We want them to experience the river system first-hand and hear from those who utilize the river for navigation, irrigation, tourism and hydropower

Location: The purpose of travel to Lewiston, Idaho is for staffers to see and experience a hydro-power generating dam with fish ladders, visit the nation's furthest inland seaport in Lewiston as well as learn about the activities of the Port of Lewiston.

August 17 -- TRAVEL DAY

7:25 am flight departs Washington, D.C. or member's home district and arrival at Spokane International Airport around 2:09pm.

3 pm Bus shuttle leaves airport to Hells Canyon Grand Hotel.

5 pm Arrive at Hells Canyon Grand Hotel, 621 21st St. in Lewiston

There are no activities planned for this day. Will provide a voucher for dinner if they choose to stay on premise for their evening meal.

August 18

6:30 - 8:45 am Working Breakfast and Introductions at hotel

Panel providing overview tour and sharing the importance of Marine Hwy 84 by river users' panel and set the stage for the day's stops. This panel will share several of the perspectives that we don't enough time to show during the tour.

Michelle Hennings, Panel Moderator, WAWG

Neil Maunu, Pacific Northwest Waterways Association

Captain Jeremy Nielsen, Columbia River Pilots

Mark Freeman, American Cruise Lines

Jennifer Riddle, Tidewater

8:45 – 10:15 am Load bus and go to Boyer Park & Marina

Geordy Bryant Greene, WA State Potato Commission will share importance of irrigation to region's farmers.

Tom Kammerzell, Port of Whitman Commissioner will share history of area as well as information about the Port of Whitman County (which owns Boyer Park and Marina).

10:15 –11:00am

Arrive Boyer Park & Marina 1753 Granite Rd. Colton (Hwy 195 to Hwy 194)

Get on tour boat to go through the navigation locks to the Lower Granite Dam
Experience the navigational lock from inside as the boat goes through the locks, Corp of Engineer representative will be on the boat to explain the process as it happens. These are one of four of the navigational locks on the Lower Snake River System and are critical to shipping fuel, fertilizer and commodities (wheat, lumber, corn and soybeans) as well as for the cruise ships to go up and down the river. Bus will meet the boat on the other side of the dam and transport group to the visitor center for the start of the tour.

11:00 am-1:15 pm

Arrive at Lower Granite Dam

Clark Mather, Northwest RiverPartners Clark will share region's hydropower helps provide clean energy to his organization's members – community-owned electric utilities in OR, WA, ID, MT, US, NV, CA and WY.

Chuck Witherspoon, Corp of Engineers, Safety brief and Project Orientation presentation provides mission of dam (hydropower, fish passage and navigation)

Walking tour of Dam – Corp of Engineers

Information Center

Adult fish trap – watch various agencies conduct studies on adult salmonids

Adult fish ladders –bird's eye view of how a fish ladder works

Fish screens – how fish are diverted away from turbines

Removable Spillway Weir (RSW) – bypassing juvenile fish through spillways

Power House – show running generators and discuss power production

Group photo in front of the dam

The opportunity for House/Senate staffers to see first-hand the dam and its multiple purposes is a very critical element of this event. They will be hearing from Corp operation manager and fish biologist as to the power and fish saving activities that occur at the dam.

1:15 pm

Load bus, pass out the boxed lunches and drive to Port of Lewiston

Leslie Druffel, The McGregor Company will share how this family-owned business provides fertilizer and crop protection to the region's farmers and uses Marine Hwy 84 to transport their product.

George Walker, AgriNorthwest the company's history dates to 1968 and is headquartered in Kennewick, WA, and includes several large farms in WA and OR and uses irrigation with their crops.

2:45-3:45 pm

Port of Lewiston, 1626 N 6th Ave., Lewiston

Scott Corbitt, Manager of Port of Lewiston provides a tour of the port facilities and the new cruise line docking structure. This is the nation's further inland seaport and there are many businesses at the port. We will see the recently completed Confluence Riverfront docking system for American Cruise Lines (a large economic driver to area's tourism).

Xochitl Casteneda, MARAD, Director of Pacific Northwest & Alaska Gateway, for US Dept. of Transportation. The DOT agency responsible for America's waterborne transportation system, the Maritime Administration (MARAD) is busy. At their core, they support the technical aspects of America's maritime transportation infrastructure -- things like ships and shipping, port and

vessel operations, national security, environment, and safety. They promote the use of waterborne transportation, and ensure that its infrastructure integrates seamlessly with other methods of transportation.

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| 3:45-4:00 pm | Load bus and go to Hells Canyon Grand Hotel, 621 21 st St. |
| 4:00-5:00 pm | Participant break time at hotel |
| 5:15 -5:30 pm | Load bus and arrive at Lindsay Creek Vineyard, 3107 Powers Ave. |
| 5:30-8:30 pm | Networking and Dinner – invitation has been sent to farmers that did not attend the tour to come and join us for dinner. We want staffers to meet our growers and hear their stories of the value of Marine Hwy 84 to their farms and businesses. |
| 8:30-8:45 pm | Return to hotel – event concluded |

August 19 – TRAVEL DAY

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| 6:30 – 7 am | Breakfast available – but not required to attend |
| 7 – 9 am | Bus departs and travels to Spokane International Airport |
| 11 am | Senate staffer depart from GEG |
| 9:59 pm | Arrival at DCA |