



Western Canada Roadbuilders & Heavy Construction Association (WCR&HCA)

Priorities for 2015

Following the conclusion of yet another robust WCR&HCA Convention held February 8-11, 2015 at the Hapuna Beach Prince Resort, Hawaii, the Western Canada Roadbuilders & Heavy Construction Association (WCR&HCA) Board of Director met and adopted to pursue the following priorities heading into 2015:

- a. Advocate linkages between sustained and strategic investment in infrastructure and Canada's economic and social well-being, and support ongoing CCA work in the development of recommendations which seek to harmonize infrastructure investment strategies of the federal, provincial and municipal governments in support of that goal.
- b. Support implementation of the recommendations made in the Canada West Foundation (CWF) report entitled '*Building on Advantage: Improving Canada's trade infrastructure*' which addresses strategic trade infrastructure investments strategies to grow Canada's trade capacity and by extension the national economy.
- c. Enhance ongoing relationship with the Provincial Municipal Government Associations and Western Big City Mayors' Caucus in support of sustained and predictable infrastructure investment strategies.
- d. Support strategies which assist attracting training and retaining a skilled workforce to meet the growing demands of the construction industry.
- e. Advocate the principles underpinning the New West Partnership which support inter-provincial cooperation on economic development.
- f. Support the current development of the Canadian Construction Association (CCA) Aboriginal Engagement Best Practices Guide
- g. Continue best efforts to continuously improve the quality and value of the annual WCR&HCA Conventions with a primary objective of increasing the number of contractor attendees.