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## ***PNWS Section Safety Committee Report, Tacoma Conference-Spring 2018***

**To:** Trustees of PNWS-AWWA

**From:** Don Lovas, Section Safety Committee Chair

**Subject:** Spring Committee Report, Safety

The PNWS-AWWA Section Safety Committee continues to have minimal input and interest within the last few months since the Winter Trustee Meeting in Bend. The Committee membership has continued to slowly gain little interest within the Section. As the new Chair my hope is to bring more interest and trainings to the Section regarding safety, as well as convey further safety awareness to water utility operators throughout Oregon, Washington, and Idaho. The Safety Committee has struggled to gain membership in the last few years, but I hope as Chair to engage more of the subsections to get members involved to help maintain the safety of our operators and field personnel within Oregon, Washington, and Idaho.

### ***Announcements:***

- Preparing safety training for the Section level to be approved for CEU's in Oregon, Washington, and Idaho (previously approved courses)
- Still in the process of planning events and workshops for the Safety Committee for the upcoming spring, summer, and winter months. Approved asbestos trainings have been approved for the Safety Committee Budget for this year and trainings are planned for late spring of 2018 in Vancouver, Washington with a location/time TBD and the summer of 2018 in Eastern Oregon at a location/time TBD.

- The PNWS Section Winter Safety School has also been approved within the section budget and is scheduled for September/October 2018 at Clackamas Community College or a location/time TBD to include topics on ARC Flash, AC Pipe, and Excavation/Trench Safety.

Thank you,

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