

Press Release

Visit of Consul of Mexico to Tri-Cities, WA



The newly appointed Consul of Mexico in the state of Washington, based in Seattle, will carry out his first official working visit to the Tri-Cities region on November 8th and 9th, 2013.

Consul Eduardo Baca will hold various meetings with local stakeholders, with the aim of furthering trade and investment relations between Mexico and this part of Washington state, as well as promoting a better understanding of the services that the Consulate provides to both the Mexican and non-Mexican communities, strengthening communication with local community leaders and he will participate in a forum on immigration and community issues, among other events.

Mr. Baca is a career diplomat who was previously Deputy Assistant Secretary for North American Affairs at the Mexican Foreign Affairs Ministry, responsible for Mexico's relations with the U.S. and Canada. He has held other policy positions in the Foreign Ministry, including those of Advisor to the Minister for North America, Chief of Staff to the Deputy Secretary for Human Rights and Democracy, as well as Director for Canadian Affairs. He has also been posted as Deputy Chief of Mission in Venezuela and Trinidad and Tobago, and served as Political Officer at the Embassies of Mexico in Washington, D.C. and Canada.

During his visit, he will take a tour of the region of Tri-Cities, which is characterized by its great economic dynamism, especially in the industrial and wine-growing sectors, as well as by a large presence of Mexican nationals and of Mexican background, who are mainly engaged in agricultural activities and in the area of services.

Some activities on Consul Baca's work schedule include:

Friday, 8 November.

Working Luncheon: Program on Trade and Investment, Richland, hosted by Tri-Cities Research District and Pacific Northwest National Laboratory.

Meeting with Port of Pasco Authorities: Economic Development.

Reception (Port of Pasco) with local government, business, and community leaders.

Saturday, 9 November.

Breakfast with Mexican-American Community leaders.

Meeting with Downtown Pasco Development Authority and tour of old downtown Pasco.

Hispanic Outreach Forum on Immigration and Community Issues.