Welcome to Spring in the Pacific Northwest! The good weather could not have arrived any sooner. Chapter 4 is poised for a strong and successful Spring and Summer as businesses are able to open back up and in-person meetings and events resume. Even though restrictions are relaxing in the region IRWA Chapter 4 will take a cautious approach to resuming in-person activities and we will continue to host virtual meetings through May, 2021 and into the future.

Chapter meetings and presentations will continue to be held the second Wednesday of the month. You can view previous chapter presentations by visiting the Chapter 4 website and our YouTube channel. Even though we are only meeting virtually, our presentations remain engaging for members. In March we held Project of the Year Presentations and LaBonde Land received the coveted title: "2021 Project of the Year." We are seeking nominations for Chapter 4's 2020-2021 Professional of the Year, Employer of the Year, and Instructor of the Year. If you have someone or an employer in mind deserving one of these awards please consider submitting a nomination. Nomination forms can be found on the Chapter 4 website at <a href="https://www.irwachapter4.org">www.irwachapter4.org</a>.

## **Region 7 Spring Forum**

The Region 7 Spring Forum is right around the corner and will be held in Vancouver, Washington on April 9<sup>th</sup>. Virtual attendance to the forum will be available as in-person attendance is limited to 25 people. Please visit the Chapter 4 and Region 7 website where information will be posted when it becomes available.

## **2021-2022 Election**

At our April meeting we will announce the Slate of Officers running for Chapter 4 Executive Board positions for 2021-2022. We traditionally hold our April meeting at Tulalip Resort. For the health and safety of the members we have decided to postpone our meeting at Tulalip Resort for April, 2022 and instead the April meeting will be hosted virtually. I encourage everybody to turnout and attend both the April meeting for the announcement of the 2021-2022 Slate of Officers, and the election for Executive Board positions in May. The election in May will also be held virtually.

## **2021 Annual Golf Tournament**

As we move into the summer and conditions improve, we are excited to announce the return of the annual IRWA Golf Tournament! This year's tournament will be held at Redmond Ridge on August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Be sure to save the date on your calendar now! If you have any questions

about the 2021 Golf Tournament please contact me at <u>Jesse.Ray@ContractLandStaff.com</u>. Be on the lookout for more information in the coming weeks.

## **Volunteers Needed!**

Are you interested in becoming more involved with IRWA Chapter 4? We have several volunteer opportunities available for members who are interested in volunteering with the Chapter. We welcome all members who would like to volunteer with the Chapter. The following committees have volunteer positions available, but everyone is welcome to participate in whatever capacity they prefer:

- Nominations, Election, & Special Awards (NESA)
- Communications-Outreach
- Education
- Young Professionals

Thank you,

Jesse Ray, SR/WA

President, IRWA Chapter 4