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In its work, the BPRI is especially dedicated to fostering creative thinking about the border and the complex relationships and infrastructure that connect the northern I-5 corridor with Canada. The Institute will work closely with cognate programs at Western such as the Center for Canadian-American Studies, the Center for Economic and Business Research and Huxley College of Environmental Studies. The Institute is especially interested in conducting its work in collaboration with the numerous transportation-oriented public and private entities within the Pacific Northwest region and in Canada.