



Around the Docks

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PGH Mission: To best utilize our resources to facilitate, enhance and stimulate international trade, economic development and tourism for the region.

Volunteer Needed

CERB seeks Board member to represent small business West of Puget Sound

Grants for economic development projects. Low interest loans to rural, local governments for infrastructure projects. Funds that increase rural telecommunications access and broadband. Strategic grants to serve as match for federal and state funding for projects that create jobs in rural areas. These are just a few of the tools in the CERB economic development tool chest.

The Washington State Community Economic Revitalization Board (CERB) has played an important role in local economic development in Washington communities since 1982 by providing funding to local governments and tribes for public infrastructure.

The CERB Board is currently seeking applications to fill Position #5 on its 12-member board. This position represents Small Business West of Puget Sound. Interested individuals employed by a small business (roughly 50 or less employees) that is physically located west of Puget Sound are invited to fill out an application.

For more information or to apply, visit CERB's website www.commerce.wa.gov/building-infrastructure/community-economic-revitalization-board/cerb-board-members/ or contact CERB Program Assistant Barbara Smith at 360-764-9820 or Barbara.Smith@commerce.wa.gov.

Economic Development

CERB awards PGH grant for East Terminal 4 Cargo Yard Expansion Plan



A plan to bring a 55-acre rail-served, industrial waterfront site back into productive economic use will soon be underway thanks to a \$50,000 grant from the Washington State Community Economic Revitalization Board (CERB).

The CERB Board awarded the grant for the East Terminal 4 Cargo Yard Expansion Plan at its July meeting. The Plan will consist of marketing and development options, along with a much-needed space utilization plan including how the site will be incorporated into the adjacent marine terminal complex.

The site was formerly used for the construction of pontoons for the 520-floating bridge. The Washington State Department of Transportation decommissioned the site in 2016 and the Port purchased the property at auction at the end of 2018.

"The Port and CERB have a demonstrated track record of successfully working together on projects throughout Grays Harbor. We look forward to partnering with them once again to put this site back into economic use for our community," shared Port Commission President Stan Pinnick.

Westport Fresh Catch connects you to fresh, local seafood



Through a recent grant award from Catch Together, the City of Westport and the Westport Marina have teamed up on a new project called *Westport's Fresh Catch* to educate the public on what seafood is available in Westport and connect consumers with the fishermen and businesses who provide it.

In the coming weeks, those visiting the Marina District will notice a new sign near Main Dock outlining what seafood is in season each month, as well as a listing of local seafood sellers and retail markets. Experiencewestport.com will also feature a new page dedicated to Westport's commercial fishing industry, along with the availability of seafood and contact information for Westport-based seafood sellers and retail shops. And last but not least, Experience Westport will be launching an 18-month social media campaign highlighting Westport's seafood industry, local seafood sellers, available fish, and tips and tricks for seafood preparation.

Calendar

- August 4 *Kmarin Oslo@ T2*
- August 6 *Oriental Angel @ T2*
- August 8 *Thassos@ T2*
- August 9 *Kapta Mathios @ T2*
- August 11 PGH Commission Meeting, Remotely, 9am
- August 19 TBA @ T2
- August 23 TBA @ T2
- August 27 TBA @ T2
- September 7 PGH Offices Closed, Labor Day

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Fishing for Energy Program to continue at Westport

Derelict fishing gear will continue to be recycled at Westport Marina with funds recently awarded for the continuation of the popular Fishing for Energy Program.

Fishing for Energy originally launched in Westport in 2016. A partnership between NOAA, Covanta, and Schnitzer Steel, the Program provides commercial fishermen with no-cost disposal of derelict and retired fishing gear. Since 2016, over 12 tons of derelict fishing gear have been recycled each year.

The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation recently funded the Program in Westport through 2023.

