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Port of Grays Harbor awarded \$50,000 grant for East Terminal 4 Cargo Yard Expansion Plan

Aberdeen, WA – On Thursday, the Washington State Community Economic Revitalization Board (CERB) awarded the Port of Grays Harbor a \$50,000 planning grant to complete the East Terminal 4 Cargo Yard Expansion Plan. The grant will be matched by \$20,000 in Port funds.

The Port acquired the 55-acre former Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) pontoon construction site at auction at the end of 2018. A natural addition to the Port's cargo operations, the rail served, waterfront site is adjacent to the Port's marine terminal complex and the Port's largest terminal with two berths.

The Plan is aimed at bringing the site back into productive economic use for the Grays Harbor community. It will bring together market and development options with a much-needed space utilization plan to include how the site will be incorporated into the existing marine terminal complex. The final product will provide phased development alternatives with permitting matrices and infrastructure costs associated with each phase so the site can be developed and used as demand for space increases. This much-needed information will provide the flexibility to respond to private development opportunities wanting to partner, invest in, and utilize the site.

"We thank CERB for again choosing to partner with the Port of Grays Harbor to foster economic opportunities for our community," stated Port of Grays Harbor Commission President Stan Pinnick.

"Marine shipping through Grays Harbor has grown over the past 10 years bringing new companies

and steady jobs to our community. We look forward to applying our business model of utilizing our public infrastructure to attract private investment to create jobs and opportunities for Grays Harbor to this site. Completing the East Terminal 4 Cargo Yard Plan is a critical step in putting this site back into economic use for the community.”

Founded in 1911, the Port of Grays Harbor is one of Washington State’s oldest port districts and Washington’s only deep-water port located directly on the Pacific Ocean. The Port of Grays Harbor operates 4 deep-water marine terminals, the Westport Marina, Bowerman Airport, Grays Harbor ship assist services, numerous public waterfront access facilities, in addition to industrial and business parks throughout the County. Strategically located midway between Seattle and Portland and only 1 ½ hours from open sea, the Port of Grays Harbor provides businesses a diverse portfolio of facilities. More information on the Port of Grays Harbor’s facilities and operations is available at portofgraysharbor.com.



CERB awarded the Port of Grays Harbor a \$50,000 planning grant to complete the East Terminal 4 Cargo Yard Expansion Plan. The Plan will address options for incorporating the 55-acre former WSDOT pontoon construction site into the Port’s existing marine terminal complex.