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# QUICK FACTS

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## PORT OF VANCOUVER USA

Celebrating its 100th anniversary in 2012, the Port of Vancouver has earned a reputation in the global marketplace for efficient handling of niche cargo through modern facilities, excellent labor relations and quality logistics operations while performing a leadership role in the economic development of the South-west Washington region.

The port's location at the crossroads of ocean-bound and river shipping lanes, interstate highways, and national rail lines is one of its strongest attributes.

Annually, the port handles nearly 500 ocean-going vessels, as well as river barges, with a total cargo volume of approximately five million metric tons.

*Port of Vancouver USA, circa 1940.*



The Port of Vancouver is the third-largest port in the state of Washington, and the second largest on the Columbia River.

Home to two of North America's largest mobile harbor cranes, it is a leader in the import of wind energy components and specializes in heavy lift, bulk, break bulk and project cargoes.

The Port of Vancouver is also one of two West Coast ports of entry for Subaru of America, Inc., which means a significant percentage of all Subaru vehicles sold west of the Mississippi River are imported through Vancouver, Washington.



### QUICK FACTS

- Established in 1912
- Third-oldest port in Washington State
- One of 75 port districts in the state of Washington with publicly elected port commissioners
- 2,127 acres of property includes:
  - 800 acres of currently operating facilities
  - Over 500 acres for future development
  - Over 100 acres ready for development
  - 570 acres for mitigation
  - 157 acres wetland bank
- Four miles of waterfront
- 106 river miles from Pacific Ocean
- Channel depth of 43 feet
- Two 140-metric ton Liebherr mobile harbor cranes

## MISSION

The Port of Vancouver's mission is to provide economic benefit to our community through leadership, stewardship and partnership in marine and industrial development.

## PORT GOVERNANCE

Since 1912, 33 individuals have served as commissioners at the Port of Vancouver. Each made contributions that have collectively molded and shaped the port's role in our community today. Over the last 100 years, citizens of Clark County have selected port commissioners with a strong commitment towards making decisions in the vested interest of the people they represent.

Today, port commissioners Nancy Baker, Jerry Oliver and Brian Wolfe, represent the citizens of Clark County. They are each elected to six-year terms and are responsible for setting policy for the port as a public agency.

Larry Paulson, as port executive director through April 2012, and Todd Coleman, as port executive director beginning in May 2012, manage a staff of 100 people involved in day-to-day port operations. The executive director reports directly to the three elected commissioners.



*From left: Brian Wolfe, Nancy Baker, Jerry Oliver*

### **Commissioners**

Nancy Baker, *President*

Jerry Oliver, *Vice President*

Brian Wolfe, *Secretary*

### **Executive Directors**

Larry Paulson (*through April 2012*)

Todd Coleman (*beginning in May 2012*)

### **Directors**

Maggie Smith, *Chief Financial Officer; Director of Finance & Accounting*

Alastair Smith, *Senior Director of Marketing & Operations*

Patty Boyden, *Director of Environmental Services*

Addison Jacobs, *Director of Public Affairs*

Julianna Marler, *Director of Administrative Services*

Curtis Shuck, *Director of Economic Development & Facilities*

### **General Counsel**

Lisa Lowe, *Law Offices of Schwabe Williamson & Wyatt*



## A CENTURY OF POSSIBILITIES

### Jobs & A Vibrant Economy

The Port of Vancouver is the hub of industrial jobs in Southwest Washington.

- 100 people are employed directly by the port.
- More than 2,300 people are directly employed by businesses at the port.
- Port activities support nearly 17,000 jobs in the community.
- 80 percent of the employees who come to work at the port live in Clark County or within the city limits of Vancouver.
- Port of Vancouver activities generate \$1.6 billion in economic benefits to the region.
- Washington is the most trade-reliant state in the nation, with one in three jobs dependent on international trade, according to the Washington State Department of Commerce.

*Wind turbine tower section being loaded at the Port of Vancouver's Terminal 2, 2005.*



# THE PORT OF VANCOUVER USA



Columbia Gateway

Terminal 5

Terminal 4

Terminal 3

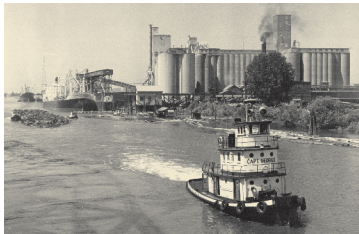
Terminal 2

Terminal 1

Mitigation Bank

Centennial Industrial Park

Captain George tug boat traveling upriver, 1960.



Unloading Volkswagen Beetles, 1974.



Longshoremen loading cargo, circa 1940s.



## Marine Terminals

### Terminal Facilities

- The Port of Vancouver has five marine terminals that provide 13 shipping berths.
- The port has more than 1.2 million square feet of waterfront warehousing.
- More than 12 shipping lines call on the Port of Vancouver.

### Annual Tonnage

- 5.6 million metric tons in 2011
- Approximately 15 percent imports and 85 percent exports
- 456 vessel calls in 2011

### Top Imports

- Steel
- Wind turbines
- Pulp
- Liquid bulk
- Automobiles
- Project cargo

### Top Exports

- Wheat
- Scrap steel
- Bulk minerals
- Pulp

### Top Trading Partners

- Japan
- Australia
- China
- Europe
- South Korea
- South America



*The Port of Vancouver's two 140-metric ton Liebherr mobile harbor cranes offering customers double the lifting capacity, 2009.*

## Industrial Facilities

- The port has more than 50 industrial and marine tenants.
- There are more than two million square feet in warehouses for industrial and marine activities at the port.
- The port has more than 800 acres of developed property for industrial and maritime activities.

## Centennial Industrial Park

- The Port of Vancouver is currently preparing nearly 108 acres for development at the port's Centennial Industrial Park. To date, close to 58 acres of light industrial property is ready for development, with the remaining 50 acres soon to follow.

## Some of the port's tenants are:

- Boise Cascade
- Cadet Manufacturing Co.
- CalPortland Co.
- Commodities Plus, Inc.
- Food Express, Inc.
- Great Western Malting Co.
- IMS Electronics Recycling
- Keyera Energy
- Northwest Packing Co.
- NuStar Energy LP
- Red Lion Hotel Vancouver at the Quay
- Sapa Profiles
- Subaru of America, Inc.
- Tristar Transload PNW, Inc.
- United Grain Corp.
- Vancouver CFS, Inc.
- Vanport Trucking

*The Port of Vancouver's first harbor "whirley" crane, loading manufactured homes, 1960.*







## Celebrating 100 Years

In 2012, the port is celebrating 100 years of service as an engine of economic growth for Vancouver, Clark County and Southwest Washington. Established in 1912, the port serves as a key transportation hub of the Pacific Northwest shipping approximately five million tons of cargo annually while employing 2,300 people. The Port of Vancouver is your Port of Possibility, and we're happy to share this Centennial Celebration with you.

### Highlights of the past 100 years include:

- 1912 - Port established to ensure public access to trade docks on the Columbia River
- 1925 - Port acquires Terminal 1, current home of port tenant Red Lion Hotel Vancouver at the Quay
- 1934 - Port leases property to Great Western Malting Co., now the one of the port's longest standing tenants

*Motorship Construction Company, 1918.*

- 1942 - Kaiser Shipbuilding Company leases property to produce U.S. Navy ships for World War II
- 1959 - Port purchases first harbor "whirley" crane, capable of lifting 50 tons
- 1972 - Riviera Motors imports Volkswagens, Porches and Audis from Germany. Today, Subaru of America, Inc. offloads close to 60,000 autos annually
- 1986 - Panasonic leases space and goes on to supply one million TVs and VCRs annually by decade's end
- 2001 - Port handles its first shipment of wind energy components
- 2010 - Port completes rail loop track at Terminal 5, adding nearly 7 miles of new rail capacity
- 2012 - The Port of Vancouver celebrates its 100th anniversary



## A CENTURY OF POSSIBILITIES

### See it!

The Port of Vancouver offers free public tours and presentations to inform the community on the role of ports in international trade, and how Vancouver's own port fits into the global and regional picture.

- Interested individuals may sign up for public tours, which are held most months throughout the year.
- Groups of 20 or more with their own transportation may call to schedule a guided tour.
- Port speakers are also available to make presentations to your classroom, business, civic group, or neighborhood association.

Contact the port at 360-693-3611 or at [info@portvanusa.com](mailto:info@portvanusa.com) for more information.



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