



Port of Camas–Washougal Inks Contract for Cleanup of Former Lumber Mill

Washougal WA – August 6, 2014 – The Port of Camas–Washougal today announced award of a contract to local company McDonald Excavating, Inc. for environmental cleanup of the former Hambleton Lumber Mill property which was purchased in 2012 by Killian Pacific who then sold 13.25 acres of waterfront to the Port of Camas–Washougal.

"We are very pleased to reach this initial phase in efforts to bring valuable waterfront property to a higher and better use," stated David Ripp, Port Executive Director. "It's an exciting time for both the Port and our community."

The Port has worked closely with the Department of Ecology (DOE) beginning in 2011 under an Integrated Planning Grant to evaluate the environmental condition of the site prior to purchase. In August 2013, Director Ripp was notified that the project will receive an infusion of additional grant monies from DOE in the form of 90% reimbursement of cleanup costs.

Throughout, the Port has sought public input via open houses, interviews, and surveys regarding future use of the waterfront property and will continue this very public process as work on the site moves forward.

About the Port of Camas–Washougal

The port brings jobs and recreational opportunities through a 400–acre industrial park, a 79–hangar general aviation airport and 350–slip pleasure boat marina. Grove Field is a small, general aviation airport with a state–of–the–art fueling station and 14 tie–downs in addition to the 79 hangars. The marina is the largest publicly owned marina on the Washington side of the Columbia River and has a floating restaurant, launch ramp, nearby hotel, fueling station, electricity on the breakwater/guest dock, and is homeport to the Dolphin Yacht Club. Recently acquired and in the planning stages, are 13.25 acres of Waterfront Property which connects to a 14–acre parcel of port–owned land to the east. The industrial park boasts a 90+ percent occupancy rate of more than 40 businesses with an annual payroll of \$8.9 million and is adjacent to Steigerwald Commerce Center, 120+ acres of property currently under development. The port also manages Captain William Clark Park at Cottonwood

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Beach, the adjacent protective levee and Parkersville National Historic site.

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