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## **Port of Camas-Washougal Seeks Public Input on Comprehensive Plan**

Washougal, Wash. — September 1, 2009 — The Port of Camas-Washougal today announced the beginning of the process to update the port's Comprehensive Plan and the immediate availability of an online survey to encourage public participation. The electronic survey and information about the public input process can be found on the port Web site at: <http://www.portcw.com/compPlan.htm>.

"Although it has been continually amended by board resolutions over the years, we believe that because of changes in our community and the economy, now is the time to facilitate the public process to update the plan," said Executive Director David Ripp.

Ripp also noted that the real benefit of the strategic planning process is the process, not the plan document. A comprehensive plan provides a broad, general statement of policy and serves as a long range road map for decisions relating to the development and use of a port's resources in the improvement of its community. The plan sets forth policies that reflect the vision and values of the community and can be a more effective guide for the port commissioners and staff in establishing clear priorities with actions to achieve them.

### **About the Port of Camas-Washougal**

Formed in 1935 by a vote of the local community, the Port of Camas-Washougal features a 400-acre industrial park, a 79-hangar general aviation airport, and a 350-slip pleasure marina. Popular with recreational and general aviation pilots, Grove Field airport also has a state-of-the-art fueling station and 14 tie-downs. The Port of Camas-Washougal marina, largest publicly owned marina on the Washington side of the Columbia River, is adjacent to two restaurants, a launch ramp, hotel, a marina park, fueling station, guest docks, and homeport to the Dolphin Yacht Club. The Port also manages the Parkersville National Historic site and Captain William Clark Park at Cottonwood Beach on the Columbia River. More information about the Port of Camas-Washougal and its ongoing projects can be found at [www.portcw.com](http://www.portcw.com).

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