



Around the Docks

Satsop Business Park Westport Marina Coastal Innovation Zone Bowerman Airport PGH Pilotage Services Friends Landing & Sterling Landing

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

Improving Waterfront Access **28th Street Landing & Boat Launch to close for improvements**

Long awaited improvements at the popular 28th Street Landing and Boat Launch will kick-off next week, closing the facility from May 1, 2018 through mid-September, 2018.

The project will include demolition of the existing boat ramp, construction of a new, wider ramp, a permanent restroom, a second boarding float, improved lighting, and paving and striping of the parking lot. In-water work will take place after the fish window opens in mid-July.

"We are excited to see this important waterfront access improvement project get underway and are confident it will be completed in time for the beginning of fall fishing season for the community to enjoy," shared Port Commissioner Stan Pinnick.

Local contractor Rognlin's, Inc. was awarded the contract in February and will begin work on May 1st. The project was awarded grant funding through the Recreation Conservation Office Boating Facilities Program.



Partnerships for a Stronger Economy

Gary Nelson participates in Congressional waterways roundtable



Port of Grays Harbor Executive Director Gary Nelson (second from right) addresses the importance of maintaining our nation's waterways at the U.S. House Subcommittee on Water Resources roundtable discussion in Coos Bay, OR.

The maintenance of our nation's waterways, including the Grays Harbor Navigation Channel and its aids to navigation, is critical to ensuring US grown and manufactured goods reach their markets throughout the globe.

On April 20th, at the U.S. House Subcommittee on Water Resources roundtable discussion in Coos Bay, Oregon, Port of Grays Harbor Executive Director Gary Nelson addressed the importance of maintaining our nation's waterways and how a unified industry agreement for full-use of the Harbor Maintenance Tax revenues could help achieve this.

"At the Port of Grays Harbor, we depend on the maintenance of our

federal navigation channel to ensure our customer's products, which are grown and manufactured in the U.S. Midwest and Intermountain Region, can safely and efficiently reach their markets throughout the Pacific Rim," stated Mr. Nelson. "Our customers recognize the strategic advantage of our Port and have invested millions of dollars in their facilities to take advantage of our location and proximity to Pacific Rim markets."

The Port of Grays Harbor ranks 37th in the nation for export cargo volumes. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers conducts annual maintenance of the Grays Harbor navigation channel to support this nationally significant trade infrastructure.

PGH welcomes new Director of Finance and Administration

Earlier this month the Port welcomed Mike Folkers to the senior management team as the new Director of Finance and Administration.

Mr. Folkers brings a solid background of effectively leading municipal finance departments throughout Grays Harbor County over the past two decades. He holds an MBA from Washington State University and a BA in Aeronautics and Astronautics Engineering from the University of Washington.

Mike will replace Mary Nelson when she retires this June after 23 years with the Port.



Elma Transit Center	Satsop Business Park	Elma Transit Center
6:40 EW	6:55	7:10 W
7:15	7:30	7:45 S
10 Min Break and Shuttle Dial-A-Ride		
8:10 EN	8:25	8:40 W
8:40 W	8:55	9:10
9:30	9:45	10:00 EWS
10:20 EWN	10:35	10:50 W
3:15 E	3:30	3:45 W
3:45 W	4:00	4:15 W
4:15 E	4:30	4:45
4:45	5:00	5:15 E
10 Min Break and Shuttle Dial-A-Ride		
5:40	5:55	6:10 EW
6:10-7:25 Shuttle Dial-A-Ride		
7:25	7:40	8:05 EW

GH Transit to service Satsop Business Park beginning May 7th

With nearly 400 employees reporting to work daily at the Satsop Business Park, Grays Harbor Transit has announced it will begin shuttle service to the Park from the Elma Transit Center beginning May 7th.

“As businesses continue to locate and expand at the Park, we are so pleased Grays Harbor Transit is able to offer this important transportation option so that residents throughout Grays Harbor County may consider employment options here,” noted Satsop Business Park Business Development Manager Alissa Shay.

The service fare will be \$1 each way and transfers are free. Grays Harbor Transit offers hundreds of routes throughout Grays Harbor County.

For more information and the complete shuttle schedule, visit www.ghtransit.com

Calendar

- April 27-29 GH Shorebird Festival
- April 30 *Siem Plato @ T4*
- May 3 *Gemini Leader @ T4*
- May 5 *New Legacy @ T2*
- May 7 PGH Commission Meeting, PGH Offices @ 9am
Imperial Fortune @ T2
- May 8 *Metis Leader @ T4*
- May 11 *CSAV Rio Grande @ T4*
- May 17 *Sunny Hope @ T2*
- May 21 *Hojin @ T4*
- May 24 Satsop Walking Tour, SBP @ 3pm
Siem Socrates @ T4

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23rd Annual GH Shorebird Festival this weekend

Each spring hundreds of thousands of shorebirds stop to rest and feed in the Grays Harbor estuary, some coming from as far south as Argentina. And for the 23rd year in a row, the Grays Harbor Shorebird Festival will offer a weekend full of shorebird viewing and education for the whole family.

The Grays Harbor National Wildlife Refuge, adjacent to and accessible from the Port of Grays Harbor's Bowerman Airport, is a prime viewing location to see these spectacular migrating birds.

For more information on this year's Shorebird Festival events, visit www.shorebirdfestival.com



Pictured above is the 2018 Best of Show from the grade school shorebird poster contest entitled "I'm youth I'm joy, I'm a little bird that has broken out of its egg" by Ezri Carroll, Grade 5, St. Mary School