

2022 FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES – SUMMARY SHEET - DRAFT

- Support policies in WRDA and in the FY 2023 budget that guarantee the Columbia River ports' efforts to preserve our 43' shipping channel, including maintaining historic O&M needs and the efficient processing of federal environmental permits.
- Federal policies and funding programs must enable U.S. public ports to compete with the substantial levels of infrastructure investment at foreign ports or we risk further cargo diversion.
- Support the implementation and full funding of the IJA and appropriations for the substantial new federal resources that target the freight needs at public ports.
- Fully fund the new Bridge Investment Program and provide adequate federal resources to ensure the timely replacement of the I-5/Columbia River Bridge.
- Support policies, programs, and federal agencies that promote freight rail competitiveness.
- Enforce administrative rules and support legislative proposals for the safe shipment of goods, including energy products and hazardous materials, by road, rail, and water.
- Support revitalization of our Terminal 1 waterfront project, which must provide significant federal funding for the Maritime Dock Reconstruction Project.
- Continue federal tax policies that financially assist existing businesses and attract new tenants at public ports, including the New Market Tax Credits (NMTC) and federally designated Opportunity Zones.
- Ensure navigation on the Columbia River is protected as Columbia River Treaty negotiations continue.
- Support pro-export and pro-port national trade policies and practices.
- Provide adequate funding for federal agencies, including the Corps, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and NOAA Fisheries (NMFS), and improve current bureaucratic practices, which will help us efficiently process permits.
- Work with the Administration and Congress to address climate change.
- Support federal tax policies in the areas of energy and environment, including the Production Tax Credit (PTC).
- Ensure the Biological Opinion for the Columbia River continues to protect the environment and fish habitat while preserving regional economic vitality.

- Support our priority federal capital projects seeking grant funding or congressionally designated spending in areas of importance to the port.

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