



## FEBRUARY

- **Jan. 29 - Feb. 5:** Crane Lighting Demo
- **Feb. 4/11:** Port Commission Meetings
- **Feb. 8:** FREE Vessel Safety Checks



## EXECUTIVE

Last month, Port Commissioner Glen Bachman took office for his second term of service to continue representing the citizens of Port District 3. Bachman, who ran uncontested in the November general election, was re-elected to serve a six-year term.



## SEAPORT

On January 13, the Port of Everett Seaport welcomed the G2 Ocean *Weaver Arrow* — the first vessel to call the Port's newly strengthened South Terminal Wharf. The Port anticipates relocating its two, 100-foot-gauge container cranes to the dock by mid-year to bring the \$57 million modernization project to the finish line.



## MARINA

Late last month, as part of the Port's Central Marina Improvements Phase 4, Port contractor American Construction began relocating boathouses in the Northeast corner of the Central Marina. All in-water work is expected to be complete by the close of the in-water work window of February 15, 2020. Upland work, including dock utility connections, is expected to conclude by spring 2020.



## REAL ESTATE

SeaLevel Properties + Gracorp, builders of the first waterfront housing in the Port's history, are making headway. In late-January, crews completed a major concrete pour for the foundation of the first of two buildings.



## Port of Everett, Cities of Arlington and Marysville Memorialize Historic Partnership to Advance Economic Development in Cascade Industrial Center

On January 8, 2020, at a joint special meeting, legislative bodies of the Port of Everett and the Cities of Arlington and Marysville gathered to recognize their collaboration to develop the Cascade Industrial Center (CIC) and bring new economic opportunity, jobs and expanded tax base to greater Snohomish County and the region. At the meeting, agency officials and community partners joined in a ceremonial signing of joint Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs), memorializing the historic multi-agency partnership.

"It's an honor to bring the Port's specialized economic tools and expertise to the planning and tax relief provided by Arlington and Marysville to further benefit a project of such significance to our County's economic future," Port Commission President Glen Bachman said. "Snohomish County is one of only a few in the state that lack a county-wide port district, inadvertently putting the unique economic tools specific to ports out of reach. Our partnership bridges that gap and provides the Port and our communities to the north opportunity to discuss possible Port expansion to better serve them into the future."

Strategically located between Seattle and the Canadian border along the Interstate 5 corridor, the CIC represents the second largest Manufacturing Industrial Center (MIC) in Snohomish County with just over 4,000 acres; 57% in Arlington and 43% in Marysville. The area includes more than 1,700 available acres offering manufacturing and light industrial use potential, including a mix of partially developed, redevelopable and vacant sites. The bulk of property and proximity to



key transportation assets like I-5, state highways, Arlington Municipal Airport, BNSF Railways, and the Port of Everett Seaport make this area an attractive business opportunity.

The Port has been working with both Cities since 2018 and has found that a more official partnership could lend itself to greater participation and support of their local projects. Other partner agencies, including Snohomish County, Greater Seattle Partners and Economic Alliance Snohomish County, have also been major supporters, helping the CIC earn official recognition as a Regional MIC by the Puget Sound Regional Council — one of only 10 recognized state-wide.

The MIC designation provides federal, state and local infrastructure funding preference to the area. This, coupled with the major tax advantages from State-approved property tax exemptions, expedited permitting, and the federal Opportunity Zone designation, has businesses highly motivated to locate in the CIC as evidenced by significant deal making on available lands over the last year.

With the MOUs in place, the Port brings additional economic tools into the fold including its industrial development authority, the ability to pursue revenue bonds for economic development purposes and the potential to expand its Foreign Trade Zone #85 into the CIC. Furthermore, the Port is now able to enhance its support for developer and business recruitment, financial analysis, grant writing, marketing, planning, and environmental regulatory strategy.

## WE NEED YOUR FEEDBACK! Crane Lighting Demonstration

The Port of Everett invites community members to participate in the crane lighting demonstration taking place at the Seaport Wednesday, January 29 thru Wednesday, February 5, 2020. The purpose of the demonstration is to gather feedback on two Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) airspace navigation compliance options being considered by the Port as part of the installation of its recently acquired container cranes at South Terminal.

**WHAT ARE THE FAA REQUIREMENTS?** FAA regulations require any structure exceeding 200 feet in height and located within applicable flight zones be marked and/or lighted in accordance with FAA Obstruction Marking and Lighting Requirements. Because the South Terminal cranes are 215 feet tall, and the Seaport is in proximity to the flight paths for both Naval Station Everett and Providence Hospital, the cranes must remain in compliance with these regulations to support the safe and efficient use of navigable airspace.

### The two options up for consideration are:

**1.** Keep the cranes as they are, with the white and orange hash markings on the top portion of the cranes that exceed 200 feet in height,

OR

**2.** Paint the cranes to match the Port's shorter, 197-foot tall cranes at Pacific Terminal, and install red and white pulsating lights on the top portion of the cranes that exceed 200 feet in height, to be illuminated 24/7/365.



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