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Gateway Pacific Project
for November 19-25, 2011

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CC: <NHanson@co.whatcom.wa.us>
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Subject: Fwd: CO2 Based Oil Recovery: Carbon Capture, Utilization and Storage at Work:...

FYI from Brenner

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To: bbgun1010@aol.com
Sent: 11/19/2011 1:14:55 P.M. Pacific Standard Time
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Part Two

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"With 'next generation' CO2 storage technology, and a value for storing CO2, the oil produced by EOR could be 100+% 'carbon free' Imported oil is 0% 'carbon free' (and results in additional CO2 emissions from ocean transportation)" NETL

Coal is the cornerstone of America's power, producing 45% of our electricity from about 315,000 MW of generating capacity. As shown below, research at the National Energy Technology Laboratory indicates that CO2 /EOR can store significant amounts of carbon dioxide emissions from tens of thousands of megawatts over 30 years:

Another Reality of Green Coal: Using CO2 from Power Plants to Produce Oil

Next generation CO2 /EOR alone would store the emissions from over 185 coal power plants--accounting for about 350 million tons of coal--or about 35% of U.S. coal consumption for electricity.

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References: See USDOE (<http://energy.gov/>) and NETL (<http://www.netl.doe.gov/>) websites for a significant body of state of the art research on CO2 /EOR . Detailed references available from author.

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Date: 11/21/2011 12:03 AM
Subject: Scoping and the EIS for the GPT project

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From: "Scott Boettcher" <ScottB@sbgh-partners.com>
To: <Ari.Steinberg@SSAMarine.com>, <kristie.dunkin@AMEC.com>, <al.jeroue@ssa...>
CC: <Cliff.Strong@amec.com>, <mark.knudsen@ssamarine.com>, <skip.sahlin@ssam...>
Date: 11/21/2011 9:10 AM
Subject: GPT MAP Team Weekly Update #46

Hi All.

This week's Weekly Update (#46) has now been posted to
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Highlights include:

. New posting in Correspondence.

Please contact either Jane or Scott with any questions or issues.

Also, the GPT MAP Team website is now more easily accessible and involves only one step to sign-up. Please share this link with anyone who's interested: <http://iprmt.ora.wa.gov>.

Thanks!

Jane and Scott

Scott Boettcher

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360/480-6600

From: Stephanie Drake
To: Tyler Schroeder
Date: 11/21/2011 10:44 AM
Subject: Fwd: RE: Pre-announcement of RFP

Tyler,
See the email below regarding the options to publish that announcement in the DJC.

Call or stop by if you want to discuss

Stephanie

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>>> Phil Brown <phil.brown@djc.com> 11/21/2011 9:59 AM >>>
Stephanie,

If you do not require this to be an official legal notice, you can send it to Maude and she will publish it at her discretion, deciding whether or not it is newsworthy for our readers. If it is a relatively large construction project it is likely we can get something, typically an edited version, in the paper.

If you would like it to run exactly how and when you want, you can purchase a display advertisement from Matt Brown, matt.brown@djc.com

Thank you for contacting us; we are happy to help you get the best exposure for your project.

-Phil Brown, Publisher

-----Original Message-----

From: Maude Scott
Sent: Monday, November 21, 2011 9:46 AM
To: Phil Brown
Subject: FW: Pre-announcement of RFP

-----Original Message-----

From: Stephanie Drake [<mailto:SDrake@co.whatcom.wa.us>]
Sent: Friday, November 18, 2011 3:47 PM
To: Maude Scott
Subject: Pre-announcement of RFP

Maude,

The first week of December, we are hoping to publish in the DJC a notice that the official RFP will be announced in early January 2012 for the Gateway Pacific Terminal/BNSF Custer Spur Combined NEPA/SEPA EIS. We have a basic announcement drafted, but wondered in what capacity these typically are published (ie: in article form, or as a press release).

Please let me know if you are the best person to ask, or if there is someone else at the DJC who can help. I am available by phone as well if you need any further explanation of my question.

Thank you for your assistance!

Stephanie Drake

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Subject: RE: Scoping and the EIS for the GPT project

I've forwarded your email to Alice Kelly and Brendan McFarland of our Bellevue and Olympia offices respectfully for a response. They are Ecology's lead staff on the SEPA EIS process.

Regards,

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To: Randel J NWS Perry <Randel.J.Perry@usace.army.mil>, Tyler Schroeder <Tsc...>
CC: "McFarland, Brenden (ECY)" <bmcf461@ECY.WA.GOV>
Date: 11/21/2011 11:04 AM
Subject: FW: Scoping and the EIS for the GPT project

Hi Tyler and Randel,

I will draft a response and run by you before I respond, how's that.

Alice Kelly
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From: Wenger, Barry (ECY)
Sent: Monday, November 21, 2011 11:02 AM
To: Kelly, Alice (ECY); McFarland, Brenden (ECY)
Subject: FW: Scoping and the EIS for the GPT project

I'm forwarding this persons questions to you two to respond since I'm not in the loop on this issue.
Thanks! BW

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From: Lyn Morgan-Hill
To: Kristie A Dunkin; Randel J NWS Perry; Susan (ECY) Meyer; Wayne Fitch
CC: Tyler Schroeder
Date: 11/21/2011 11:54 AM
Subject: RE: GPT- Site visit to parcel 14 and other key areas (UNCLASSIFIED)

We are all available January 17.
Lyn

Lyn Morgan-Hill, PWS
Senior Planner
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>>> "Perry, Randel J NWS" <Randel.J.Perry@usace.army.mil> 11/18/2011 10:26 AM >>>
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I'm available starting January 9. All dates after that are currently open

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From: Meyer, Susan (ECY) [<mailto:sume461@ECY.WA.GOV>]
Sent: Thursday, November 17, 2011 3:44 PM
To: Perry, Randel J NWS; Lyn Morgan-Hill; Wayne Fitch; Dunkin, Kristie A
Subject: GPT- Site visit to parcel 14 and other key areas

Hello all, I would like to set up a site visit to look at the delineation and overall habitat on Parcel 14 and to look at soils and hydrology on some other key areas that Lyn and Wayne identified as potential wetlands last spring. Lyn agreed to develop a strategy for how to efficiently look at the potential wetland areas, and hopefully Kristie will make sure that Parcel 14 is flagged. I am looking at early January, which is pretty open for me at this point. Please propose two days that work for you, and we can get them on our calendars before the main onslaught of the holidays. Thanks so much!

Susan Meyer

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From: Melissa Roberts
To: Schroeder, Tyler
Date: 11/21/2011 2:04 PM
Subject: MRC mtg. - scoping process

Tyler,

The Whatcom Marine Resources Committee (MRC) is interested in having a presentation on the scoping process for development of the Gateway Pacific terminal EIS. Would you be available to speak at the January 5 MRC meeting on this topic? MRC meetings are held from 6:00 - 8:00 pm.

Thank you,
Melissa

Melissa Roberts
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I am in the office Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday.

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Subject: Ecology response to Senators' letter
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RE: Gateway Pacific Terminal Project

Dear Honorable Ladies and Gentlemen:

Thank you for your letter of November 3, 2011, regarding the proposed Gateway Pacific Terminal at Cherry Point. I understand the widespread and high level of public interest and concern about the extent of the environmental analysis and review for this project.

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) and Whatcom County are preparing to conduct a thorough analysis of the proposal and related environmental impacts under the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA). SEPA requires identification and study of significant impacts: direct, indirect and cumulative. In analyzing impacts under SEPA, agencies do not limit their consideration to only those impacts within the project's immediate vicinity or within each agency's respective jurisdiction. Rather, SEPA requires consideration of impacts caused by a proposal regardless of where those impacts occur. As Ecology previously stated in our response to Whatcom County's request to be SEPA co-lead, we believe there are regional and statewide issues that should be disclosed and addressed in the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

Although we do not consider the statewide rail traffic to be part of the 'proposal' itself, increased rail traffic will be a likely impact caused by the proposal. Thus, we expect that the environmental review will include an analysis of increased rail transportation to determine the effects on many of the environmental elements specified in SEPA, such as air quality, noise, transportation systems, vehicular traffic, rail traffic, public safety, traffic hazards, and more.

The full scope of any rail impacts analysis, including geographic scope, will be determined through the public scoping process, which is the first step in SEPA review. Public scoping will involve public meetings to obtain comments and input from citizens, community groups, other agencies, affected jurisdictions, and tribes on what topics and potential impacts to include in the environmental studies for the project. Public involvement is an important part of the process, and the public's comments will help to guide the agencies in making scoping decisions. A consultant team will be assisting us to organize public meetings and amass and compile what we expect will be a large volume of comments. Then the scope of the environmental review will be determined after taking into consideration the public comment and consulting with other state agencies with expertise in the various subject areas.



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If you have any questions about the project or the SEPA process, please do not hesitate to contact Jeannie Summerhays, Director, Northwest Regional Office, at jeannie.summerhays@ecy.wa.gov / 425-649-7010.

Sincerely,

Ted Sturdevant by Polly Zehn

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cc: Pete Kremen, County Executive, Whatcom County

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Date: 11/22/2011 12:35 PM
Subject: DRAFT AGENDA - GPT Exec Briefing - 12/8 (1:30-3)
Attachments: Agenda GPT Exe 120811.docx

In doing the final planning for the Exec briefing, we'd like to have you three (or your supervisors) provide short descriptions of the NEPA/SEPA process for the group. This is similar to what I asked of you for 12/13 - only earlier, less time, and different audience. Total time is 15 min, so a 3 min synopsis each with time for questions is what I envision.

Here is the Exec agenda that I'd like to finalize next week (attachment). Please let me know if I should coordinate with Muffy or Jeannie or Sam.

Sorry for the short notice. Let me know if questions/issues. Thanks.

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DRAFT AGENDA

Executive Briefing: Gateway Pacific Terminal December 8, 2011, 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.

Meeting Locations	<p>Ecology Offices, link via video conference:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bellingham - Field Office (Groucho Room) 1440 - 10th Street, Suite 102, Bellingham, WA 98225 • Bellevue - Northwest Regional Office (Room 1A) 3190 - 160th Ave. SE, Bellevue, WA 98008 • Lacey - Headquarters/Southwest Regional Office (Room R3A-19) 300 Desmond Drive SE, Lacey, WA 98503
Meeting Purpose	Brief Agency Leadership on Status of Gateway Pacific Terminal Project and Multi-agency Permit Team
Attendance	Local, State & Federal Regulatory Agencies Senior Executives, Tribal Leadership and Project Proponents invited.

Time	Topic	Presenter/Facilitator
1:30 – 1:45 pm	Introductions and Meeting Purpose	Faith Lumsden, Director, Office of Regulatory Assistance (ORA)
1:45 – 2:00 pm	Project Status (Handout) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project Milestones and Schedule • Settlement Agreement 	Jane Dewell, ORA Lead Staff
2:00 – 2:15 pm	NEPA/SEPA EIS Process and Status	US Army Corps, Whatcom County, Ecology
2:15 – 2:45 pm	Discussion – Moving Forward <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agencies Priorities and Needs • Applicant’s Priorities and Needs 	Faith Lumsden
2:45 – 3:00 pm	Wrap-Up, Comments, Action Items	All
3:00 pm	Adjourn	

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Thanks,

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Call or stop by if you want to discuss

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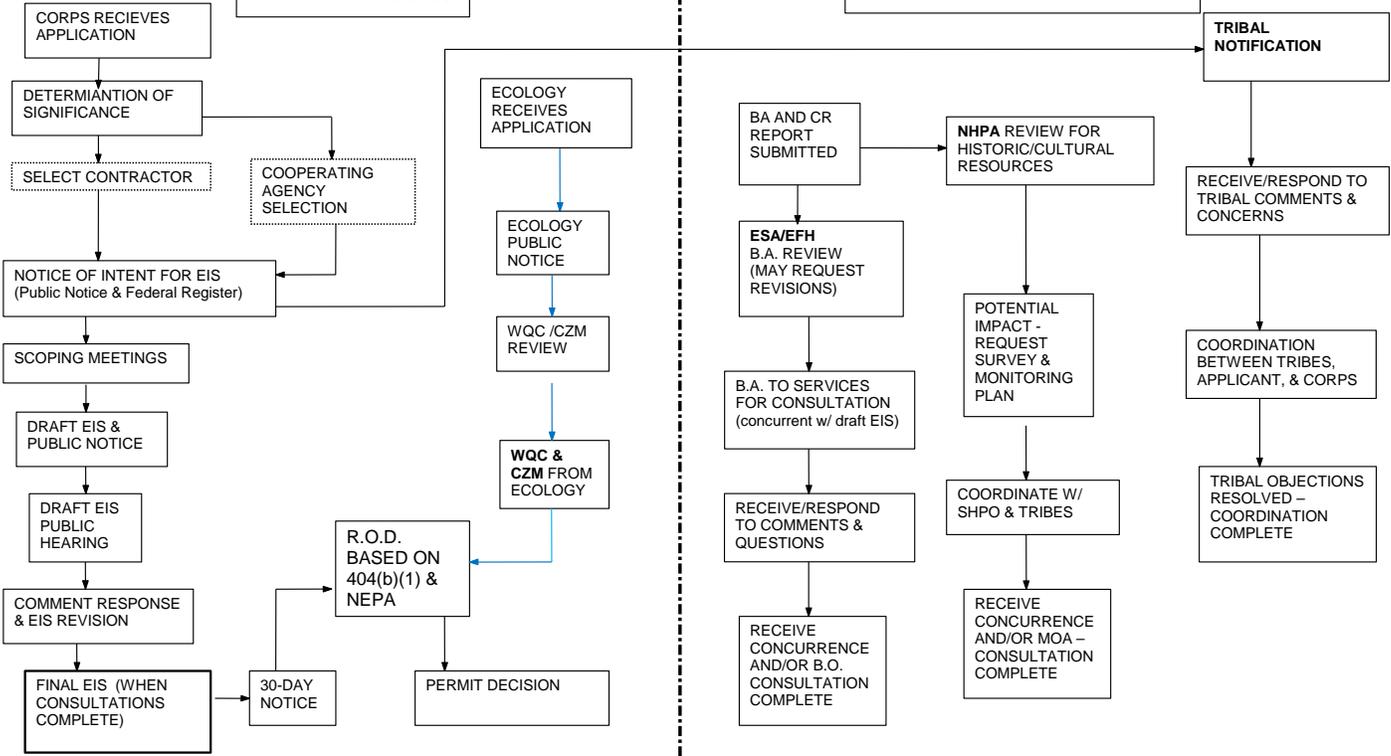
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Subject: FW: RE: GPT SEPA/NEPA FLOW Chart (UNCLASSIFIED)

Thanks Tyler.

Randel - you were also going to send the NEPA process flowchart that you'd provided to Scott long ago, right?

Thanks, Jane

-----Original Message-----

From: Tyler Schroeder [mailto:Tschroed@co.whatcom.wa.us]
Sent: Wednesday, November 23, 2011 10:40 AM
To: Dewell, Jane (ORA)
Cc: Randel J NWS Perry
Subject: Fwd: RE: GPT SEPA/NEPA FLOW Chart (UNCLASSIFIED)

Jane,

Attached is a flow chart that could be presented at the upcoming MAP team meetings.

Thanks,

Tyler

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Caveats: NONE

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Date: 11/23/2011 2:13 PM
Subject: Questions about scoping for GPT

Amy,

Re: Gateway Pacific Terminal, Cherry Point

Here are answers to your questions about scoping. Let me know if you have any more questions.

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1. How much notice will the public get before the hearings begin?

The public meetings for scoping will be well publicized. Notice will be provided prior to the start of the 30-day comment period, and the meetings are usually held in the middle or toward the end of the comment period.

The co-lead agencies will place ads in local newspapers and post the information on our websites. Whatcom County's website is <http://www.co.whatcom.wa.us/pds/plan/current/gpt-ssa/index.jsp>
Ecology's website is: <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/geographic/gatewaypacific/> .

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3. Once we submit our testimony, who decides what will be included in the EIS? I am concerned that the EIS will not include the train route and the cities along the route, which are certainly affected by the project. And of which most lawsuits will be file on behalf of those people, should health or safety be compromised and severely affected.

The co-lead agencies will decide the scope of the EIS as outlined in each of our respective statutes and regulations.

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After scoping, the consultant will produce a Draft EIS under the direction of the 3 co-lead agencies. There will be public hearings after the Draft EIS is released, and the public can submit comments at that time.

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From: Amy Glasser <amyglassersw@yahoo.com>
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Date: 11/24/2011 10:17 PM
Subject: Re: Questions about scoping for GPT

Good day Ms. Kelly,

I am a bit confused about some of the responses you gave me. Please see my comments after each item you addressed. I appreciate your time in getting these responses but it sounds like the committees in charge can disregard everything we (the citizens affected) are concerned about and there is nothing we can do if the EIS scope is limited to the terminal area. How can we be assured that the train route and the human health consequences of transporting coal through our community will be addressed in the EIS? The mercury rate went down for the 3 weeks China shut down their coal powered factories when the Olympics was held there. Once the event was over and factories reopened, the level went back up. That mercury rate was in Vancouver BC, not China. I think we can assume that mercury in BC has similar rates to Whatcom County and we want to send coal to China. Thank you in advance for clarifying your comments for me.
Amy Glasser

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In that 30 day period, who is involved in comments before the public makes their comments? Is there a specific amount of time (days or hours) that is public comment period and will it be extended if more people want to comment publically?

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I am very confused. I was under the impression that the Scoping is about getting public comments about what is relevant to the EIS and for us (the public) to bring up issues that we believe need to be addressed in the EIS. If the agencies have already determined (either by statute or by their own knowledge) what will be in the EIS, then the meeting sounds more like the agencies telling us (the public) what they will be including in the EIS. Also, if everyone who wants to speak cannot due to time constraints, then how can we be certain submitted letters and emails will be read and considered for the EIS? Will they all be posted

on the MAP website?

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I was under the impression that because of statutes, the actual train route (traffic, dust, noise, emergency responder concerns, etc) was not going to be part of the EIS, nor will the communities in WA along the route. Can the agency leaders make the decision to include those issues and a health impact study even if statutes do not require it?

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Again, how can submitted comments be documented as being heard and read by the members of the team if we cannot say them publically?

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From: Tyler Schroeder
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Date: 11/23/2011 3:29 PM
Subject: Re: Request for Party of Record Status - Shoreline & SEPA notices

Hal,

I will add you to the distribution list for the GPT project.

Regards,

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REQUEST: Please include me as a party of record for all notices in regards the Gateway Pacific Terminal project. If you do not maintain a notice list by project please include me in the general list. I am interested in any new permit applications or revisions to any applications and in any SEPA notices.

Notice by email only is all I require.

Thank You

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