



# Water Resources Development Act

## PNWA strongly supports the passage of a Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) in 2007

Our water resources system contributes mightily to our nation's well-being. Ports and waterways are the backbone of our transportation system - ensuring domestic and international trade opportunities and safe, relatively inexpensive and eco-friendly transportation.

The following PNWA-supported provisions have been included in the final, conference 2007 WRDA bill approved on July 30, 2007. The measure will now be passed by the House and Senate, and sent to the President's desk to be signed into law.

### West Coast federal hopper dredges *Essayons* and *Yaquina*

- Restrictions on annual working days lifted

### Section 214 regulatory funding authority

- Extended to December 31, 2009

### Lands formerly owned by the Corps at the Ports of Lewiston, Clarkston, and Whitman County

- Deed restrictions extinguished

### Lands formerly owned by the Corps at the Port of Pasco

- Flowage easement restrictions extinguished

### Siltation at Baker Bay and Ilwaco Harbor (Ports of Ilwaco & Chinook, WA)

- Study authorized to determine if the siltation is the result of a federal navigation project, and potentially mitigate the siltation as part of LCR O&M

### Port of Sunnyside aquatic ecosystem restoration project

- Port's work on aquatic ecosystem restoration project in Yakima River will be credited

### Elliott Bay Seawall in Seattle

- Corps may accept non-federal contributions for the Elliott Bay Seawall study, and count those contributions toward the non-federal share of any projects that become authorized as a result of the study; Corps is also directed to consider seismic activity in the study

### Erosion control project for Puget Island (Wahkiakum Co., WA) and Westport Beach (Clatsop Co., OR)

- One-time placement of dredged material is authorized at Puget Island and Westport Beach areas on the LCR, at a fully-funded federal cost of \$1M

