



# Nor'wester newsletter

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### Westport, Wash., named Coast Guard City

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The U.S. Coast Guard [has designated the city of Westport, Wash.](#), as a Coast Guard City through 2024.

The designation highlights an enduring relationship a community has with its local Coast Guard facility and personnel. The Coast Guard values these connections and is proud to highlight the efforts these communities make to support the service members and their families.

Westport's relationship with the Coast Guard goes back to 1897, when the U.S. Lifesaving Service and the U.S. Lighthouse Establishment were there. Both entities were critical components to the region as local lumber shipping and fishing industries grew. When the U.S. Lifesaving Service became the Coast Guard in 1915, Westport had already enjoyed making the service a core fixture of the local community for almost 20 years.

[Westport Marina](#) is part of PNWA member the Port of Grays Harbor. Congratulations to the Port and the Westport community!

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### Port of Toledo awarded Small Shipyard Grant

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The U.S. Department of Transportation's Maritime Administration [awarded \\$19.6 million in grants to support capital improvements at 28 U.S. small shipyards](#) in 2019 as a part of its Small Shipyard Grant program. The funding supports employee training and related improvements that foster increased efficiency and

economic growth.

The Port of Toledo will receive \$261,285 in grants. This funding will be used to provide welding career training in a credited college program.



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## Reminder: Columbia Basin Restoration grant applications due

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EPA is requesting applications for [Columbia River Basin Restoration Funding Assistance](#) through December 20. The grant program offers funding assistance to eligible entities on a competitive basis. EPA hosted informational webinars on RFA on November 7 and 25. A recording of the Nov. 7 webinar and the presentation slides are available [here](#). Commonly asked questions, including the questions asked and answered on the November

7 webinar, can be found [here](#).

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## Mark your calendar!

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### **Columbia River and Coast Regional Meeting**

**REMINDER - DATE CHANGE**

**Tuesday, Feb. 11**

9-11:30 a.m.

Port of Kalama

[RSVP here](#)

### **Western Washington Regional Meeting**

Wednesday, Feb. 19

1-3:30 p.m.

Port of Seattle

[RSVP here](#)

### **Inland Empire Regional Meeting**

Monday, Feb. 24

1-3:30 p.m.

Port of Benton

[RSVP here](#)

### **PNWA Mission to Washington, D.C.**

**REMINDER - DATE CHANGE**

**Sunday-Thursday, Mar. 1-5**

The Madison Washington DC

Registration opens Monday, Dec. 16

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