Joint Announcement from the Port of Port Angeles and City of Port Angeles Revised Draft Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study submitted to Washington Department of Ecology

The Western Port Angeles Harbor Group (WPAHG), which includes the Port of Port Angeles (Port) and City of Port Angeles (City), Georgia-Pacific, Merrill & Ring, and Nippon, prepared a revised draft Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS) report that was submitted on March 20, 2019, to the Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology). This version incorporates responses to Ecology's comments that were transmitted to the WPAHG on the initial draft report that was submitted to Ecology on April 6, 2018.

## **Revisions to the Proposed Cleanup Plan**

A broad range of remedial alternatives were considered in the initial draft RI/FS. The revised draft clarifies and expands some of the initial remedial alternatives. A summary of key revisions to the draft RI/FS for Port Angeles Harbor are:

- Capping remedy extended to the sediments near Terminals 5 and 6 to protect ecological resources
- Overall estimated project cost increased from \$33.1 to \$34.4 million
- Framework added for the construction/post-construction monitoring program to assess progress in achieving cleanup goals
- Explanation added for the elements of the cleanup that will be determined or refined during the detailed design phase

## **Next Steps**

Ecology will endeavor to review and provide initial comments on the draft RI/FS within 60 days of receipt of the document. Ecology will then work with the WPAHG to issue a revised draft incorporating Ecology's comments. This public review draft will be available for review and comment by the public.

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