THE NORTHWEST SEAPORT ALLIANCE
Gateway to Solutions

2023 State Government Affairs Agenda

Port decarbonization

The NWSA is committed to de-carbonizing its marine cargo operations by 2050 through its Northwest Ports Clean Air Strategy. Its success is contingent upon state investments in this effort through the use of Climate Commitment Act and other funds. Specifically, this biennium the NWSA is seeking:

- $14 funding for the installation of shorepower infrastructure at **Terminal 18** in Seattle;
- $4.4 million to support the purchase of **zero emission cargo handling equipment**; and
- Incentives to support the purchase of zero emission trucks by **drayage truck** drivers serving the gateway, including the funding of demonstration projects.

Quiet Sound funding

The NWSA supports continued funding of the Quiet Sound program managed by Maritime Blue to reduce the noise impacts of vessels on Southern Resident Orcas.

Transportation

The NWSA encourages the state to "finish what we started" by completing critical freight projects included in the *Connecting Washington* and *Move Ahead WA* transportation packages. Specifically:

- the on-time completion of the **Puget Sound Gateway**—which includes state routes 167 and 509; and
- the appropriation in the 2023/25 biennium of the $35 million in state funding included in *Move Ahead WA* for the City of Fife's **Interstate 5/Port of Tacoma Road Interchange** project.

Competitiveness

Support tax policies that result in the increased movement of goods through the Puget Sound gateway, with particular attention paid to exports.

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