



**WHATCOM COUNTY LAND DISTURBANCE AND CLEARING
APPLICATION INFORMATION**

THIS HANDOUT HAS IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS, ADDITIONAL PERMITTING, AND CONTACTS.



FLAGGING

SITE MUST BE FLAGGED! Fees will be imposed for additional site trips & inspections

- All proposed project areas must be located on site with clearly marked stakes and flagging.
- Site location must be visible from road by address, by name or by flagging.
- Call the Land Disturbance Clerk at (360) 676-6907 when site is flagged and ready to be inspected.
- Project review will be delayed if site is not properly staked and/or flagged.

WHATCOM COUNTY NATURAL RESOURCES OFFICE (360) 676-6907 or (360) 380-8100

Please be advised that staff have scheduled appointments and daily site inspections making their availability limited. Call the above telephone numbers for information related to the following:



CONTACT

- Land Disturbance - General inquiries for permit requirements, application in-take, permit review, status and issuance.
- Critical Areas – Wetlands, Streams, and Habitat Conservation Areas - review, inspection, mitigation, and monitoring.
- Critical Areas – Geology - Geological Hazards – review, inspection, mitigation, and monitoring.
- Critical Areas – Forestry/Wildlife - review, inspection, mitigation, and monitoring.
- Watersheds - Lake Whatcom, Lake Samish, Drayton Harbor, and Birch Bay – may require review and inspection.



FILL, GRADE & CLEARING

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- Any fill, grade, or clearing within 200 feet of critical areas requires review and approval from Whatcom County prior to commencing any project work.
- Any fill or grade in excess of 50 cubic yards (approx. 5 dump trucks) requires a Land Disturbance Permit.
- Any material moved off-site in excess of 50 cubic yards will require a separate Land Disturbance permit.
- Filling and grading cannot start before approval from Planning and Development Services.



FOREST PRACTICES

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- If your project involves the harvest of trees on forestland (forest practices as defined in Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 222-16-050) a Forest Practices Application/Notification is required.
- For questions related to permit requirements, or to obtain a Forest Practices Application, contact the Washington State Department of Natural Resources (DNR) at (360) 856-3500.
- Failure to obtain an approved Forest Practices Application/Notification from DNR prior to conducting forest practices is a violation of state law and may result in enforcement action and a six-year development moratorium on property.



RIGHT OF WAY

WORKING IN COUNTY/STATE ROAD RIGHTS-OF-WAY MAY REQUIRE ADDITIONAL PERMITTING!

- Any work that utilizes a new or existing access off of a public road right-of-way may require a Revocable Encroachment Permit, Trail Permit, and/or a possible drainage study from Whatcom County's Engineering Services Division (360) 676-6730.
- For any work in the State highway right-of-way, contact the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) at (360) 788-2500.



UTILITIES

BONNEVILLE POWER ADMINISTRATION EASEMENT

- Whatcom County requires a letter of approval from Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) authorizing any filling, excavation, or clearing in their easement. Contact BPA at (360) 568-2943 or (800) 836-6619.



DIGGING

CALL BEFORE YOU DIG – IT'S THE LAW

- For One Call Locates in Washington call 1-800-424-5555. For additional information go to Washington Utilities Coordinating Council at <http://www.wucc.org>.

SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR MORE INFORMATION

WHATCOM COUNTY LAND DISTURBANCE SUBMITTAL INFORMATION

THE INFORMATION BELOW IS REQUIRED FOR SUBMITTAL OF A WHATCOM COUNTY LAND DISTURBANCE APPLICATION.

(Note: submittal of an application does not vest the project to a submittal date or deem the application package complete)

- Completed Whatcom County Land Disturbance Application. **Required**
- Cash or check for payment. **Required**
- Site plan with a north arrow and a scale consistent across the site (see Land Disturbance application for site plan requirements). **Required**
- Written narrative describing the purpose of the proposed action and future plans. **Required**
- Whatcom County Health Department approved Septic Design (if applied for as part of Land Disturbance application).
- Zoning/Land Use consistency approval. **Required**
- Land Use Agreement (if proposed work is in an easement and/or on land owned by someone else).

(Note: the application will not be accepted if it is incomplete)

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SECTION

FOR WHATCOM COUNTY USE ONLY

_____ If additional information is required, please list what is needed and return to applicant.

Submittal date _____
Application accepted by _____
Complete application date _____



LDP # _____

Answer all questions as completely and accurately as possible. Sign and date your application.
Provide an adequate site plan (see example). Application fee will apply upon submittal.

NAME, ADDRESS AND PHONE REQUIRED IN EACH SECTION BELOW					
Applicant / Contact Person		Property Owner		Contractor	
Name	Skip Sahlin for PIT, Inc.	Name	Skip Sahlin for PIT, Inc.	Name	
Address	1131 SW Klickitat Way	Address	1131 SW Klickitat Way	Address	
	Seattle, WA 98134		Seattle, WA 98134		
Phone	(206) 654-3525	Phone	(206) 654-3525	Phone	
Other	skip.sahlin@SSAMarine.com	Other	skip.sahlin@SSAMarine.com	License	Expires

Parcel Number: <u>Upland Parcels: 039011-7473110; 039011-7067334; 039011-7205467; 030911-7067334; 030911-7065466; 039011-8117050; 039011-9424335; 039011-9198377; 039011-7278062; Parcel 14: 390117278062</u> Tax parcels contiguous to DNR open water: <u>039512-4546546; 039011-9092500; 039011-9172456; 039011-9199451; 039011-9214451; 039011-9252449; 039011-9298423; 039011-9327425; 039011-9349425; 039011-9388424; 039011-9438360; 039011-9454299; 039011-9469346</u> Subdivision: <u>N/A</u>	Job Site Address <u>4750 Gulf Road</u> Division _____ Lot _____ Block _____
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Project Description

Include all proposed work for this application (Include full project concept – continue on additional page if needed).

The Gateway Pacific Terminal will be a multimodal, deep-water Terminal to provide storage and handling for the export and import of up to 54 million metric tons per year dry bulk commodities, including grain products, coal, potash, calcined petroleum coke, and other bulk commodities. The Terminal would initially manage export of calcined petroleum coke; potash; low-sulfur, low-ash coal; and other bulk products, though the type and quantity of dry bulk commodities would likely change over time depending upon customer and market demands. Commodities would be transferred to and from the Terminal by rail on the BNSF Railway's Custer Spur and by ship via a wharf. The Terminal would be developed on approximately 350 acres within a total project area of 1,200 acres (terminal plus railroad property). The project area is zoned for Heavy Impact Industrial use and is located in Whatcom County's Cherry Point Industrial Urban Growth Area. The Terminal would be designed to minimize impacts to associated resources while meeting the purpose and need for the project.

Future Development / Building Plans

State what your known development and building plans are for the next 6 years.
If unknown, please state so (continue on additional page if needed).

Terminal construction would proceed in two stages to reduce environmental effects associated with construction and optimize fiscal management (Section 4.4). Stage 1 construction activities are anticipated to begin in 2013, after all permits and approvals are obtained, and to take approximately two years to complete. All construction for the East Loop, Shared Services Area, access trestle and wharf would be completed during Stage 1. Remaining construction for the West Loop would be completed during Stage 2. No further earthwork would be needed within the Terminal to expand operations capacity beyond Stage 2 construction. Achieving full operational capacity following Stage 2 construction would involve installation of additional rail infrastructure, conveyors, stacker/reclaimers, and shiploaders to increase total freight-handling capacity. Because of the size of the in-water structures, it would take an estimated 18 months to complete the wharf and access trestle. The first commodities would be moved through the facility in early 2015 with the completion of the East Loop's initial rail infrastructure, and the wharf and trestle.

Physical Site Characteristics

Check all characteristics that apply on and within 200 feet of the entire parcel.

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Streams | <input type="checkbox"/> Ponds and lakes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Forested areas |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fish bearing | <input type="checkbox"/> Topographically low areas | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brush / scrub |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-fish bearing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Steep slopes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pasture, lawn, landscaping |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Greater than 35% | <input type="checkbox"/> Existing developed areas |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Drainage ditches | <input type="checkbox"/> Greater than 80% | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wildlife features (e.g., raptor nests, beaver dams, large snags, etc.) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Frequently flooded areas | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Leaning trees | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wetlands/seasonally wet/soggy areas | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Landslide areas | |

SITE MUST BE FLAGGED PRIOR TO INSPECTION
(otherwise additional site inspection fees will be assessed - e.g. \$200)

FILL		The deposit of earth material by artificial means.				
BY FEET	Length (ft)	Width (ft)	Depth (ft)	Volume (ft ³)	Divided By 27	= Cubic Yard
Septic	x	x	=		/ 27 =	CY
Driveway/Road/Parking	x	x	=		/ 27 =	CY
Building site	x	x	=		/ 27 =	CY
Foundation	x	x	=		/ 27 =	CY
Other	x	x	=		/ 27 =	CY
MATERIAL SOURCE:	Unknown at this time			TOTAL VOLUME:	Unknown at this time CY	

EXCAVATION		The mechanical removal of earth materials. Grading is any excavation, filling, or combination thereof. Earth material is any rock, natural soil, fill, or any combination thereof.				
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Driveway/Road/Parking	x	x	=		/ 27 =	CY
Building site	x	x	=		/ 27 =	CY
Foundation	x	x	=		/ 27 =	CY
Other	x	x	=		/ 27 =	CY
MATERIAL SOURCE:	Unknown at this time			TOTAL VOLUME:	Unknown at this time CY	

CLEARING / CONVERSION	Defined as, "the destruction of vegetation by manual, mechanical, or chemical methods resulting in exposed soils." WCC 20.97.053
Required TOTAL AREA TO BE CLEARED and/or GRUBBED, IN ACRES <u>Unknown at this time</u>	
AREA OF TREE CLEARING, IN ACRES <u>Unknown at this time</u>	
TIMBER USE: Personal Use _____ % Sell _____ % Burn _____ % Give Away _____ %	
If your project includes any tree cutting, a Forest Practices Application / Notification may be required. For questions related to permit requirements, contact the Washington Department of Natural Resources (DNR) at 360-856-3500.	

SITE PLAN (required)

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION MUST BE PUT ON THE SITE PLAN
SITE PLAN SCALE REQUIRED: (example) 1 inch = 20 feet
(scale must be consistent across the site plan - see attached example)
North Arrow
Incomplete or inadequate site plan can significantly delay processing!

LOT INFORMATION	SITE CHARACTERISTICS	PROPOSED WORK
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Property boundaries and dimensions <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Buffer and setback lines <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Existing / proposed access roads and driveways <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Existing / proposed easements and right-of-ways <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Existing / proposed buildings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Slopes Streams Wetlands Ponds <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Forested or treed areas <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ditches, culverts and flow directions <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wetland areas and flow directions <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ordinary high water mark <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Critical area boundaries	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Topography <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Outline of disturbed areas - excavation and fill <input type="checkbox"/> Fill / Excavation cross sections <p style="text-align: center;"><u>EROSION CONTROL MEASURES</u></p> <input type="checkbox"/> Silt Fences <input type="checkbox"/> Mulching / seeding <input type="checkbox"/> Straw bales <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetated buffers

VENUE AND JURISDICTION: The parties hereto recognize and agree that the venue of any action involving their rights or obligations related to this application shall be in Whatcom County, and the parties' rights and obligations hereunder shall be determined in accordance with the laws of the State of Washington.

FEE GUARANTY: Notwithstanding that this application has been submitted in the name of a company, I personally guarantee payment of the fees accrued according to the terms listed in the Whatcom County Unified Fee Schedule and agree to be bound personally as a principal and not as a surety. I recognize that my personal guarantee is part of the consideration for review of the application.

I understand that this application does not grant authorization to begin work, and that no work will begin until a permit/authorization is issued. The above information and statements are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant Signature <u> Skip Sahlin </u>	Property Owner Signature <u> Skip Sahlin </u>
Applicant Printed Name <u> Skip Sahlin </u>	Property Owner Printed Name <u> Skip Sahlin </u>
Date <u> 6-6-2011 </u>	Date <u> 6-6-2011 </u>