



Quarterly Report #9

Multi-agency Permit (MAP) Team Gateway Pacific Terminal (GPT) Project

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This quarterly report for the GPT MAP Team covers work conducted during January, February, and March 2013. Project details are available on the GPT MAP Team website:

http://www.ezview.wa.gov/pr/site/alias_1357/22844/welcome.aspx

Much of the work on the GPT project during this past quarter was accomplished by the NEPA/SEPA (National Environmental Policy Act/State Environmental Policy Act) co-lead agencies: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Whatcom County, and Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology). These agencies conduct the NEPA/SEPA process independently of the GPT MAP Team process. However, milestones and other accomplishments that occurred under NEPA/SEPA are being reported here because they are relevant to the GPT project environmental review.

Accomplishments and Updates

- ▶ Major Milestones
 - NEPA/SEPA: The public scoping period closed. January 22, 2013.
 - NEPA/SEPA: Scoping letters were submitted by government agencies, tribal nations, organizations, and many individuals. September 24, 2012 to January 22, 2013.
 - NEPA/SEPA: The co-lead agencies released the scoping summary report. March 29, 2013.
- ▶ Communications
 - E-mail update #80 on project status and accomplishments was sent to the MAP Team and other contacts.
- ▶ Website Tools
 - No updates this quarter.
- ▶ Key Meetings
 - MAP Team agencies held a conference call to discuss marine environment issues. January 15, 2013.

Completed Milestones

The following provides status of milestones. This information is tracked using the 'Moving Forward' table in the last quarterly report and the completed milestones on the GPT MAP Team website

http://www.ezview.wa.gov/pr/site/alias_1357/27378/tools.aspx.



| Date | Milestone/Event | Explanation |
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| January 15, 2013 | Government agency meeting – marine environment | Agencies with expertise and jurisdiction regarding marine environment had a short update conference call. |
| January 22, 2013 | Close of scoping period | |
| January/March 2013 | Compile and review scoping comments | Co-leads third party consultant, under direction of co-leads, reviewed and compiled thousands of comment letters. |
| March 29, 2013 | Scoping summary report | Provided on third party consultant EIS website: http://www.eisgatewaypacificwa.gov/resources/project-library |

Moving Forward

These are known tasks for the next few months. The timeframes are estimates and are uncertain due to the complexity of the GPT project and environmental review process.

| Task | Estimated Timeframe |
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| NEPA and SEPA EIS process and formal scoping – Co-lead Agencies¹ | |
| • Establish scope of analysis for EIS | Spring 2013 |
| • Begin preparing draft EIS | Spring 2013 |
| Complete Applications – Applicants² | |
| • Submit JARPA to Ecology (401 Certification) – BNSF | To be determined (TBD) |
| • Submit project information and technical reports to MAP Team agencies – PIT and BNSF | Varies – refer to report schedule ³ |
| MAP Team Meetings – MAP Team Agencies | |
| • 2-3 MAP Team sub-committee meetings to discuss project issues and specialized topics | TBD ⁴ |
| • Executive Team meeting following end of scoping period. | TBD ⁴ |

- Notes:**
1. Schedule as determined by co-lead agencies.
 2. Schedule as determined by applicants.
 3. Some reports were made public in October 2013.
 4. Meetings will be called if needed and coordinated with co-lead agencies.