

Happy Holidays and Best Wishes for a Prosperous 2018!



South Puget Sound's Premier Seaport

Strong finish to 2017; Optimism for 2018

With continuing strength in 2017 in shipping of logs and agricultural products, the Port of Olympia Seaport is well positioned to take advantage of 2018 market opportunities, according to Len Faucher, Port of Olympia Marine Terminal Director.



"Industry officials and analysts expressed cautious optimism about the 2018 breakbulk and project cargo market at the Breakbulk Americas conference in Houston this year," Faucher reported. "The message was that businesses should focus on their competitive niche and service that sector extraordinarily well. That's what we do, thanks to our relationship with our local longshore who work with Port management and customers to continually seek ways to achieve efficiencies leading to lower costs."

"Breakbulk/project cargo market poised for recovery" was the headline of a recent Journal of Commerce article. "2017 may not be as dreadful as near-disaster 2016, but I'm afraid it will be difficult to write black figures for most

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operators by the end of this year," said Dirk Visser of Dynamar in the JOC story. "That said, a worldwide, albeit still weak, recovery can definitely be noticed, which gives hope for a better 2018."

For 2017, Faucher expects the Port to handle 113,843,310 board feet of logs, 2,045.58 metric tons of livestock, 6,402.57 metric tons of bulk organic grain, and 14,924.86 metric tons of bulk gold ore.

"With a 140-metric ton lifting capacity mobile harbor crane, a modern 76,000 square foot warehouse sitting just 175 feet from the dock, and 39 feet of depth at the dock at mean low low water, the Port has the assets needed to move a variety of cargoes in 2018," Faucher concluded.

Below: Len Faucher, ILWU 47 President Rob Rose, Commissioner Joe Downing, and Kim Kawada staff the Port booth at the Breakbulk Americas conference in Houston.



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The Mount Seymour, a Weyerhaeuser

Port of Olympia's Seaport: Your Competitive Edge

When it comes to special handling needs, the Port of Olympia has the equipment, experience, and know-how to get the job done right.

When you make the move with us, you can expect customized, efficient shipping services that enhance your bottom line.

Owned and operated by the Port of Olympia, our 66-acre terminal is situated on Budd Inlet at the head of Puget Sound.

We are centrally located to serve Puget Sound and the Columbia River Basin, providing ready access to local, regional and international markets.

+ A complete cargo facility focused on breakbulk, bulk and ro-ro goods.

+ Rail service provided by Union Pacific and BNSF with an on-dock rail loop. Switching provided by the Olympia and Belmore Railroad.

+ Three modern, deepwater berths.

+ Strong working relationship with the ILWU to efficiently and safely expedite your cargo.

+ Heavy machinery, conveyor system, a heavy-lift mobile harbor crane, and truck scales.

+ A U.S. Customs bonded warehouse.

+ Easy access to Interstate 5.

+ Midway between Vancouver, Canada and Portland, Oregon.

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