

## Time Extension Request 3/12/25

Per our phone conversation today; the port of Illahee has previously requested extension of all three grants for an additional 9 months (Through March 2026). We anticipate construction will be concluded by the end of 2025 but felt it would be prudent to have the three month buffer in 2026. The project status and reason for delays is as follows.

The Port encountered delays in regulatory approvals on this project that were more significant than typical. The USACE permit was delayed due to an objection by the Suquamish Tribe which required over a year to negotiate terms with the Tribe prior to proceeding with the normal USACE timeline. Further, due to certain physical site constraints, the Port was forced to spend considerable additional time working with Kitsap County on approvals of the shoreline and site development permits. The DNR and Ecology also had additional requirements beyond typical which presented additional delays. A variety of adjustments to the design had to be made to accommodate the various non-standard requirements and receive all necessary approvals. At this time, all necessary approvals from these agencies have been obtained and these permits are in-hand. The Port put this construction project out to bid in October of 2024 and subsequently awarded a construction contract to the low bidder in December of 2024. The construction contractor has been working on procurement of materials and construction planning and anticipates beginning site construction in the coming weeks.