The coal-terminal debate: A view from Japan

The Longview Millennium project brings substantial benefits to Longview and the state of Washington — and it also offers Japan a sound solution to its pressing energy-security challenges.

By Shozo Kaneko
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IT has been more than six years since Japan suffered the devastating earthquake and tsunami that triggered a meltdown at the Fukushima Dai-ichi nuclear power plant. The world is well-aware of the massive destruction caused by this unprecedented

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A World-Class Project Video
Coal Export Terminal

PROJECT STATISTICS

STAGE 1

25M TONNES YEAR CAPACITY
2 DOCKS
1 SHIPLOADER
5 TRAIN PARKING SLOTS
750,000 TONNE STOCKPILE AREA
$400M CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

STAGE 2

44M TONNES YEAR CAPACITY
2 DOCKS
2 SHIPLOADER
8 TRAIN PARKING SLOTS
1.5M TONNE STOCKPILE AREA
$680M CAPITAL EXPENDITURE
Permitting Progress

- **Permit Submittal**
  - Submitted permit applications to agencies
  - February 2012

- **Public Scoping**
  - The EIS process began
  - September 2013

- **SEPA DEIS**
  - State/County Environmental Impact Statement is published
  - April 2016

- **Public Input**
  - Public comments on the Draft EIS
  - April-June 2016

- **Final EIS April 2017**
  - Agency uses public comment to finalize the EIS

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  - Federal Environmental Impact Statement is published
  - September 2016

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  - September-November 2016

- **Final EIS 2017**
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- **SEPA We are here**

- **County's decision**

- **State's decision**

- **USACE record of decision**

- **NEPA We are here**
Millennium gets permit after appeals deadline passes unchallenged

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Critical area permit one of many needed for coal terminal

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Losing a landmark

Hump's Restaurant closes its doors Sun Aug 23, 2017

The Daily News

Mostly cloudy 77°/58°

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SEPA FEIS Published

Extensive government study finds **no** significant adverse impacts to:

- Air quality
- Water quality
- Fish
- wildlife
- Land use
- Shorelines
- Soil
- Stormwater
- Wetlands
- Groundwater
- Plants
**FACT:** Ecology’s analysis shows zero additional CO₂ emissions from combustion of coal transported through Millennium.
BROAD COALITION OF SUPPORT

LONGVIEW COMMUNITY
“They care about the community. They care about their workers, and they care about bringing jobs to Cowlitz County.”
- REBECCA CHILDERS

UNION FAMILIES
“This community is in desperate need of these jobs, family-wage jobs, money of which are important for this community and this state.”
- JASON LUNDQUIST, PRESIDENT, ILWU 21

BUSINESS COMMUNITY
“We fully support Millennium Bulk’s efforts to improve the economy in our area, providing good paying jobs and a future to our youth for generations to come.”
- FOSS MARITIME

ELECTED LEADERS
“It’s time to move forward. It’s time to issue permits. It’s time to build.”
- MIKE WALLIN
LONGVIEW CITY COUNCIL
A PROJECT OF INTERNATIONAL IMPORTANCE

People from across the globe are watching as this project advances through the permitting process.

“This project can clearly meet Washington State’s regulatory framework and should be permitted so that Washington’s important trading partners can benefit from a stable supply of American coal, while furthering their commitment to implement carbon reduction technologies.”

KENJI USHIMARU, PRESIDENT, INFRA INNOVATIONS

“I support the Millennium Bulk Terminal project. It will create jobs and generate additional tax revenue for several states. Additionally, it will provide foreign countries access to a cleaner source for power generation than they currently use, which benefits everyone.”

MATT MEAD, GOVERNOR OF WYOMING
Trade Video
“Coal, a gift from the Earth.”
質問や議論

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