

## WPPA Spring Conference Vancouver, WA

## **Port of Walla Walla Overview**

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- Port District Background
- History of Progress/Accomplishments
- Port Properties/Assets
- On-Going Port Initiatives



## **Port District Background**



Founded in 1952, the Port of Walla Walla is a municipal corporation responsible for fostering economic development throughout Walla Walla County. The Port is also the Economic Development Council for Walla Walla County.

## Mission:

Working to enhance the economic vitality of Walla Walla County.

- Create and retain family wage jobs
- Expand the region's tax base
- Maintain multi-modal transportation linkages
- Provide leadership in enhancing Walla Walla County's overall economic vitality and quality of life





<u>Commissioner Peter Swant, District 1</u> - Commissioner Swant is serving his first term on the Port Commission. His District encompasses more than half of the City of Walla Walla and the stateline area. Peter is a real estate agent for Coldwell Banker First Realtors. He has consistently been one of the top selling agents in the Walla Walla Valley. He also worked 29 years in his family grocery store business, "Wade's Red Apple Market". Peter has also been an active volunteer in the community. Past President of W.W. Association of Realtors, Past Chair Levy for W.W. Public Schools, Past Chair of Realtor Food Drive and Board member of the Big Blue Boosters



<u>Commissioner Mike Fredrickson, District 2</u> - Commissioner Fredrickson is currently serving his third term on the Port of Walla Walla Commission and represents District 2, which includes the eastern third of the City of Walla Walla, Dixie, Waitsburg and Prescott areas. Commissioner Fredrickson is a 1988 graduate of Walla Walla High School and a 1992 graduate of Washington State University with a BS degree in Agri-Business. He served 8 years on the Walla Walla County Planning Commission (5 years as Chairman). Commissioner Fredrickson is a certified general real estate appraiser and works for Associated Appraisers located in Walla Walla and is Vice President of the Columbia Basin Chapter of the Appraisal Institute.



<u>Commissioner Ron Dunning, District 3</u> - Commissioner Dunning is currently serving his second term on the Port of Walla Walla Commission. He represents District #3 in the Western portion of Walla Walla County, which includes the communities of College Place, Touchet, Lowden, Burbank, Eureka and Clyde. Commissioner Dunning is owner of Dunning Irrigation in Touchet. He is also co-owner of Touchet Seed & Energy, an oil-seed crusher for biofuels. Commissioner Dunning is a member of the Touchet-Gardena Lions Club and a founder of the Touchet Education Foundation. He attended Columbia Basin College.



- Determine the overall direction of the Port district.
- Determine capital and administrative priorities.
- The Port Commission approves the yearly operating budget and all supplemental budgets.
- Approves all expenditures.
- Approves all major lease agreements.
- Approves policies of the Port district. (Airport Rate & Charge guidelines, Personnel Policy)
- Approves issuance of all debt obligations.
- Authorizes all real estate transactions regarding the acquisition and/or selling of property.
- Selection of the Executive Director and Legal Counsel.



- Avery Business Park 12.3 acres Walla Walla
- Burbank Business Park 137 acres Western WW County
- Burbank Industrial Park 120 acres Western WW County
- Dell Avenue Industrial Park 40 acres Walla Walla
- Dodd Road Industrial Park 182 acres Western WW County
- Isaacs Business Park 9 acres Walla Walla
- Melrose Business Park 37 acres Walla Walla
- Waitsburg Business Park 9 acres Waitsburg
- Wallula Gap Business Park 1,900 acres Western WW County
- Port manages over 2,500 acres of industrial zoned properties and over 540,000 SQ. FT. of industrial buildings.
- Port manages over 50 building and land lease with lease revenue over \$2 million annually.

## Port has \$150 Million in Assets to manage.



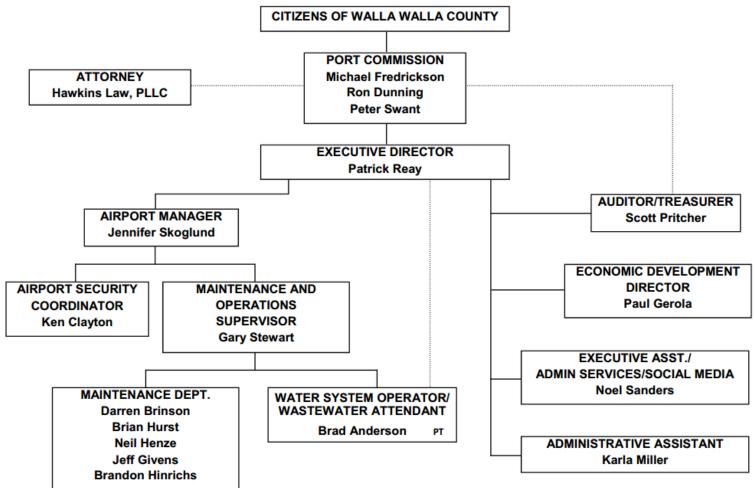
**Airport and Airport Industrial Park** 

## Walla Walla Regional Airport (3,700 total acres)

- Walla Walla Regional Airport Business Park +/- 832 Acres
   Industrial & Commercial Zoning
- Various Farms north of Airport (Clear Zone)
- Approximately 400 acres for Airport Business Park
- 124+ Buildings (Does not include hangars or anything on aviation side).
- 80 Business Tenants (does not include our monthly storage tenants or hangar tenants.)



#### PORT OF WALLA WALLA ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



#### **14 FTE**



# History of Progress and Accomplishments



Packing Corporation of America (PCA)

Boise Cascade (1957)October 2017 Celebrated 60 Years

600+ Family Wage Jobs

\$3 million annually in property taxes Largest in WW County





<u>Nelson Irrigation – Headquarters (1972)</u> 100 + Family Wage Jobs





Key Technology – Corporate Headquarters (1989)

### \$8.8 Million Port Investment 320 Family Wage Jobs





### Walla Walla Regional Airport - \$10.5 million

#### **New Terminal dedicated December 2000**







January 1, 1989 Port assumes ownership of Airport Operation and Property





<u>Cliffstar/Cott Corporation</u> Juice Manufacturer (2002) \$1,600,000 Port Investment



<u>Cliffstar/Cott Corporation – Juice Manufacturer</u>

\$1,600,000 Port Investment \$4,000,000 Cliffstar Investment 70+ Family Wage Jobs AgriFrozen Facility – Dell Avenue





The Nations Largest Independent Private Label Juice Company



## Railex Project (Union Pacific Cold Connect) Walla Walla County, Washington "Streamlining Produce Distribution"







### Railex Wine Distribution Warehouse (Northwest Wine Services)









RAILEX WINE SERVICES DISTRIBUTION CENTER 500,000 S.F. TEMPERATURE CONTROLLED WALLULA, WASHINGTON







Walla Walla Regional Airport 2006 (3) Wine Incubator Buildings 2008 (2) Wine Incubator Buildings

Constructed five wine incubator buildings at a cost of \$1,962,723. State of Washington provided \$1,477,500 in funding and the Port provided \$485,223 in funding.





#### <u>Walla Walla Regional Airport</u> 2017 Reiff Manufacturing Building (4,800 sq. ft.)





#### Walla Walla Regional Airport 2017 Burwood Brewery Building (5,400 sq. ft.)





## **Port Properties/Assets**



# Port of Walla Walla Business Parks East Side of Walla Walla County

Melrose Business Park – 37 acres Isaac's Facility – 110K sq. ft. Waitsburg Business Park – 9.61 acres



### Melrose Industrial Park – 37 acres





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## Isaac's Facility 110,000 sq. ft.







## Waitsburg Business Park 9.6 acres

The Waitsburg Business Park consists of seven platted lots ranging in size from 1.074 acres to 1.822 acres. The property is located in the City of Waitsburg and is zoned industrial. The park is adjacent to U.S. Highway 12 and the Port of Columbia Railroad. The park has excellent truck and rail access and is ideal for light manufacturing or warehouse distribution. The park is site ready with all utilities in place. Lot sizes can be re-configured to accommodate specific business needs.









Walla Walla Regional Airport

## Snapshot of Activities at Walla Walla Regional Airport

### Port of Walla Walla

Walla Walla Regional Airport

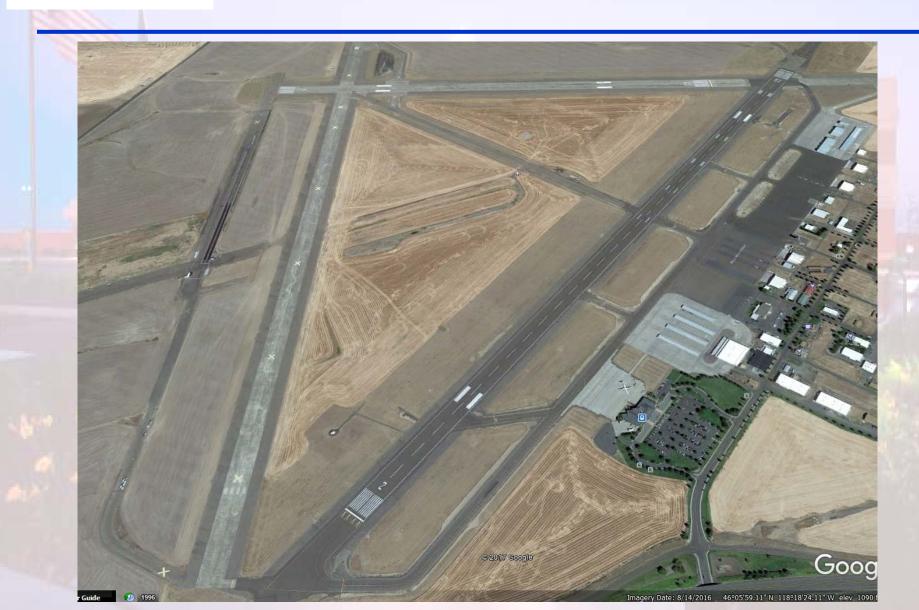


## Walla Walla Regional Airport





## Walla Walla Regional Airport





## Air Carrier

- Alaska Airlines
- Q400 Bombardier
- 76 Seats





### **Current Flight Schedule**

| Alaski      | 7. WALL      |          | EGIONAL AIF<br>- May 19, 2018 | <u>RPORT</u> | Alaska.    |
|-------------|--------------|----------|-------------------------------|--------------|------------|
| <u>Time</u> | Departing    | Time     | Arriving                      | Frequency    | Flight No. |
| 5:10 AM     | Walla Walla  | 6:14 AM  | Seattle                       | Daily        | 2123       |
| 9:55 AM     | Seattle      | 10:55 AM | Walla Walla                   | Daily        | 2198       |
| 11:39 AM    | Walla Walla  | 12:43 PM | Seattle                       | Daily        | 2197       |
| 5:25 PM     | Seattle      | 6:19 PM  | Walla Walla                   | Daily        | 2054       |
| 6:59 PM     | Walla Walla  | 8:07 PM  | Seattle                       | M,Th,F,Su    | 2145       |
| 9:25 PM     | Seattle      | 10:18 PM | Walla Walla                   | M,Th,F,Su    | 2186       |
|             |              |          |                               |              |            |
| -Alaski     | <u>RPORT</u> | Alaska.  |                               |              |            |

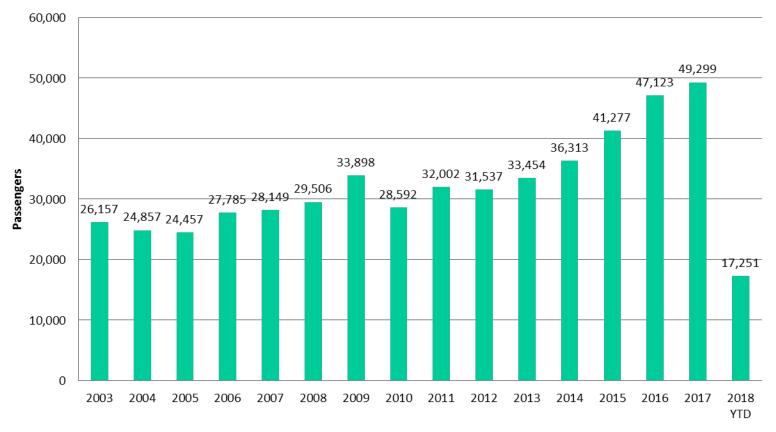
Begins May 20

Current

| <u>Time</u> | Departing   | <u>Time</u> | Arriving    | Frequency | Flight No. |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|------------|
| 5:00 AM     | Walla Walla | 6:14 AM     | Seattle     | Daily     | 2087       |
| 9:55 AM     | Seattle     | 11:13 AM    | Walla Walla | Daily     | 2096       |
| 11:51 AM    | Walla Walla | 12:43 PM    | Seattle     | Daily     | 2079       |
| 5:25 PM     | Seattle     | 6:21 PM     | Walla Walla | M,Th,F,Su | 2020       |
| 6:59 PM     | Walla Walla | 8:07 PM     | Seattle     | M,Th,F,Su | 2021       |
| 9:25 PM     | Seattle     | 10:24 PM    | Walla Walla | Daily     | 2086       |



Walla Walla Regional Airport Inbound Passengers: 2003 - 2018 YTD Thru April

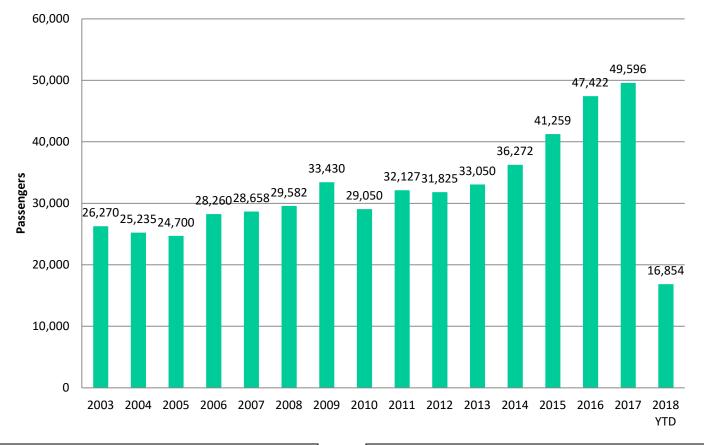


2017 YE vs. 2003 YE: = 88% Increase

2018 YTD vs. 2017 YTD = 5.5% Increase



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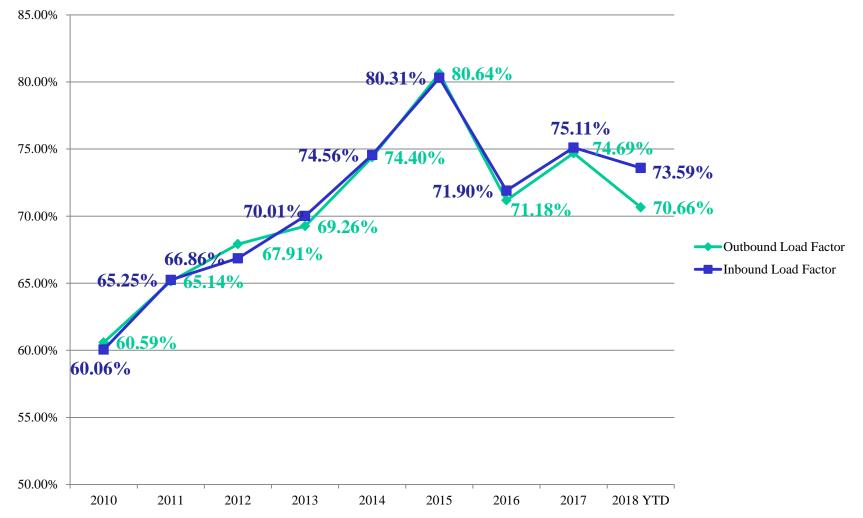


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2018 YTD vs. 2017 YTD = 4.7% Increase



#### Walla Walla Regional Airport Out & In Load Factors: 2010 - 2018 YTD



### **Tourism in Walla Walla, WA**

### National Recognition for its:

WINE, FOOD, FUNKINESS, FRIENDLIEST SMALL TOWN, HISTORY

- Seattle Times
- USA Today
- Forbes Life
- Northwest Travel
- Yahoo! Travel

- Atlanta Journal-Constitution
- Sunset Magazine
- Rand-McNally
- VOGUE Magazine
- CNN Money and many, many more!

Walla Walla County wine industry impact estimated at over \$500 million annually



# Marketing Campaigns in Partnership with Visit Walla Walla and Port of Seattle

- \$55,000 / yr. in 2015 2018
  - Digital Marketing in Bay Area & Los Angeles
- \$16,000 2016; \$20,000 2017; \$9,000 2018 (Port of Seattle Grant)
  - Digital Marketing in Sacramento, Denver, and Phoenix







### **Local Marketing Campaigns**



**Free Parking** 

DAILY FLIGHTS TO AND FROM SEATTLE

> WALLA WALLA REGIONAL IRPORT



**Print Ads in: Union-Bulletin** Lifestyle's **Business Monthly** 

\$12,000 Annual Investment





## **Local Marketing Campaigns**

**RADIO.** \$14,600 Annual Investment.

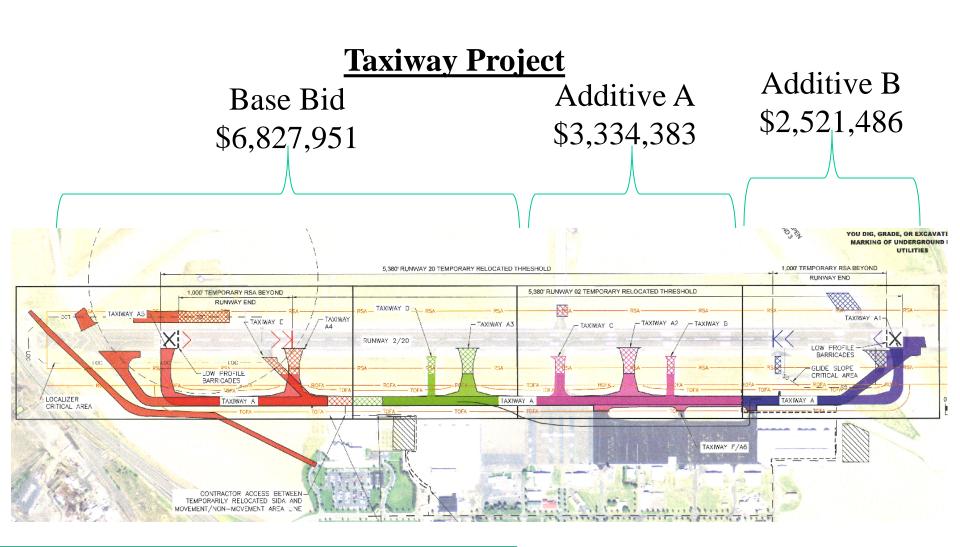
- Mariners & Cougars Radio on KGDC AM & FM
- Alexandra Radio
  - KUJ, Hank, Hank (LaGrande, Oregon)
- CAPPS Radio
  - 490 ESPN, 1290 KUMA, 103.5 K-Wheat, 107.7 Hot FM, 92.1 PartyFM.



### **Major Airport Investments**

### Taxiway Reconstruction = \$15+ Million





Total, Low Bid = \$12,683,821 Total Project w/ Admin & Engineering = \$13,881,179 Total w/ 10% Contingency = \$15,269,296 FAA Grant (In Bank) = \$6,329,350 Sponsor = \$559,363 Total = \$6,888,713



### **Airport Investments**

### Taxiway Reconstruction = \$15+ Million







### **Airport Investments**

### Taxiway Reconstruction = \$15+ Million









### **Other Airport Investments**

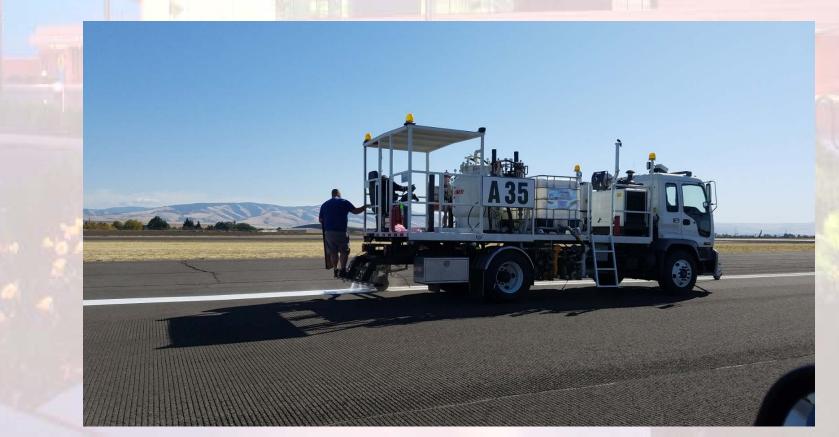
### New Parking Lot = \$770,000 / 200 new stalls





## **Other Airport Investments**

### Runway Painting = \$20,000 (Partnership between Port of Moses Lake & Port of Walla Walla)



### **Pavement Maintenance**

**Longitudinal Cracks on Rwy 2/20** 

- Router the cracks (Approximately 1" deep by 1/2" wide)
  - Fill to within 1/8" of top with sealant





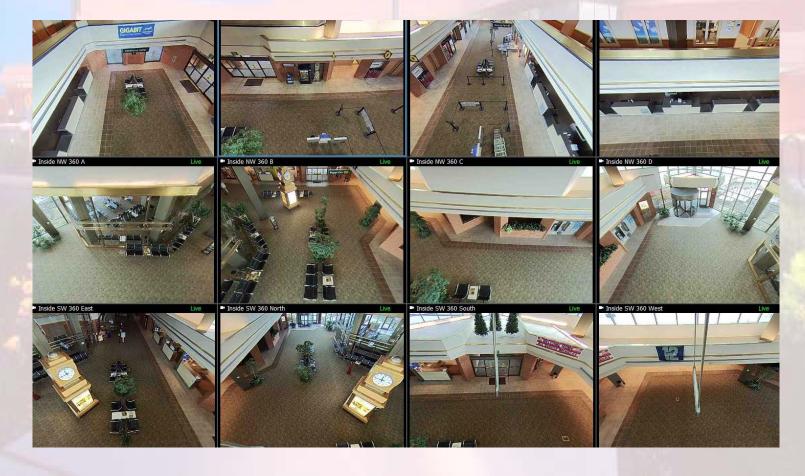
### **Other Airport Investments**

### Rwy 2/20 Crack Repair (Routering & Crack Seal) = \$30,000



### **Other Airport Investments**

### Terminal Security Cameras = \$60,000





## **Port of Walla Walla**

**Airport Master Plan** 

<u>FAA</u> \$390,689

> WALLA WALLA REGIONAL

<u>WSDOT</u> \$17,264 <u>Airport</u> <u>Total</u> \$17,264 \$425,217



- FAA Approved FORECAST
  - Finalize CIP
- (Capital Improvement Program)
  - Complete ALP

(Airport Layout Plan)



GG The Walla Walla Master Plan Update website is your "go-to" source for information about what an airport master plan is and the Port's progress. Use the drop down menu at the top of the page to find information including project-related documents (draft Master Plan chapters), meeting announcements, project-related links, etc.

If you don't find what you're looking for, let us know using the contact page. You can also contact us to share your opinion, a question or a comment.

#### LATEST NEWS & INFORMATION

#### MASTER PLAN PUBLIC MEETING (NOVEMBER 2016)

Port of Walla Walla to Present Airport Master Plan

The Port of Walla Walla will hold a public meeting in the Rotunda at the Water &

#### MASTER PLAN PUBLIC MEETING

Airport to Present Master Plan Concepts. The Port of Walla Walla will hold a public meeting in the Walla Walla Regional Airport Terminal Conference Room on April 11, 2016, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., to discuss its forthcoming Airport

#### THE THIRD PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

The third Planning Advisory Committee (PAC) meeting for the Airport Master Plan is scheduled for Monday, April 11, from 1 PM to 3 PM.



### **Other Airport Investments**

### Hangar Gutters & Roofing Repairs = \$30,000



### **T-Hangars (Backside of Hangar 118)**

- New Gutters (completed)
- Re-screw roof





**Port of Walla Walla** 

### **OTHER CAPITAL PROJECTS** Shelter Hangar Door Rollers



## FLY WALLA WALLA FIRST!







**Port of Walla Walla** 

# Avery Industrial Park Phases 2 – 12.3 Acres

**Property located in City of Walla Walla** 



## **Avery Industrial Park – Phase 1**





## Avery Industrial Park – Phase 2 12.3 acres





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# Burbank Industrial Park & Burbank Business Park

## All Properties located in Unincorporated Walla Walla County



## **Burbank Industrial Park**



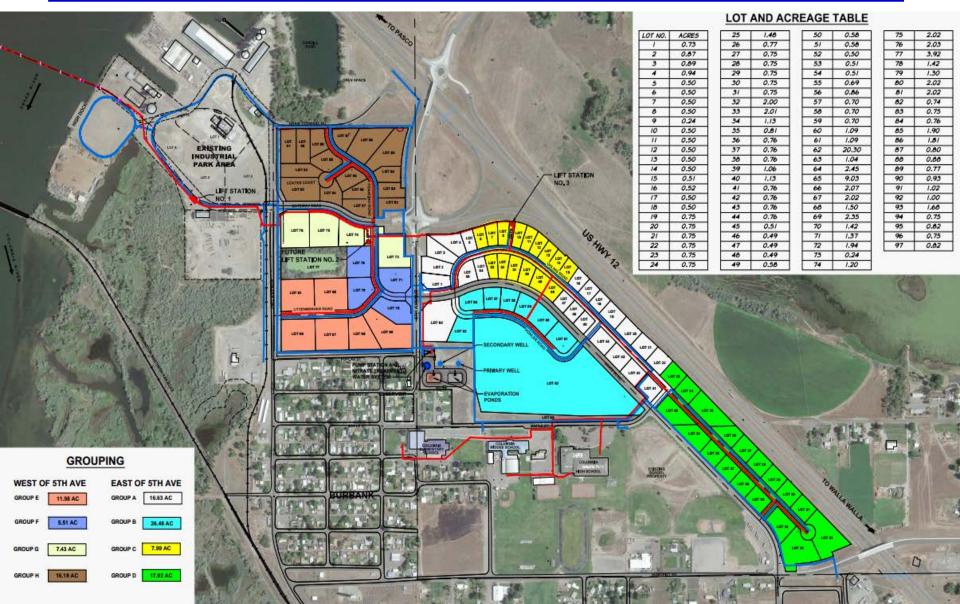


## **Burbank Business Park**





## Burbank Business Park 137 acres





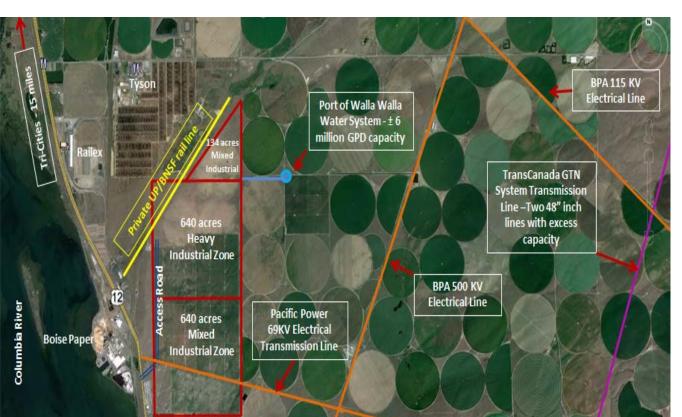
**Port of Walla Walla** 

# Wallula Gap Business Park

## Property located in Unincorporated Walla Walla County



## Wallula Gap Business Park



- 15 miles from Tri-City MSA 250K population, 15 miles from I-395 and 25 miles from I-84.
- Excellent truck and rail access, potable and fire suppression water, electrical, and natural gas services and is ideal for heavy manufacturing or large warehouse distribution.
- Port has also completed a formal site due diligence program for the site which includes survey maps; utility
  information; archaeological, geotechnical, biological and environmental studies to expedite the
  development review process. This abovementioned information is all available for review or download on a
  FTP (File Transfer Protocol) site. http://goldrush.andersonperry.com/

#### **Property Description**

- 1,900 acres
- 4,761 acre feet per year water right
- Zoning Industrial
- Purchase price \$4M

#### Water Lease Agreement

- Ten year lease term with WA Dept. of Ecology.
- DOE Payment to Port = \$105.00 per acre foot per year (\$499,905 per year)
- Port can withdraw water for economic development need anytime with 9 month notice.



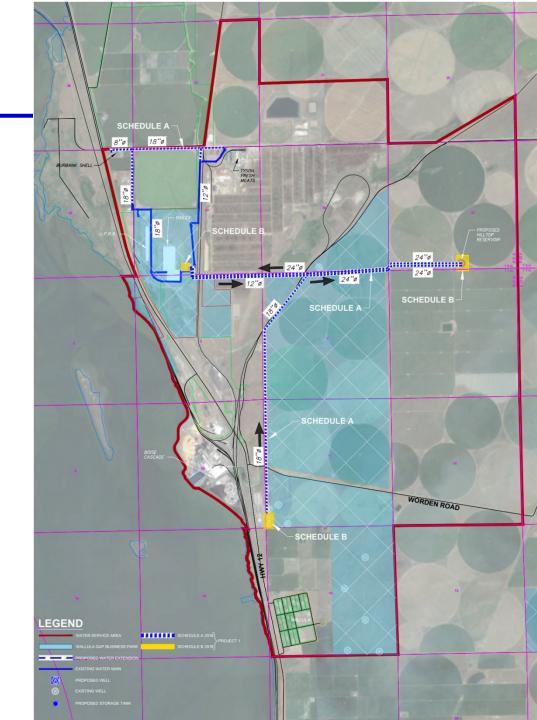
## Wallula Gap Business Park

Water Purveyor

**Utility Coordinator** 

Land Use Support

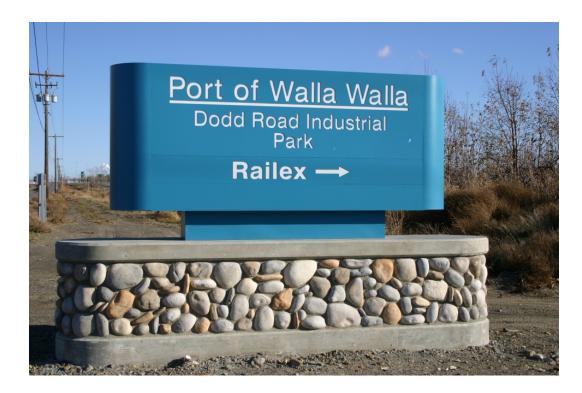
Infrastructure Developer





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## **Dodd Road Industrial Park**





## **Dodd Road Industrial Park**









## **Railex Produce**

## <u>(Union Pacific Cold Connect)</u> Walla Walla County, Washington "Streamlining Produce Distribution"







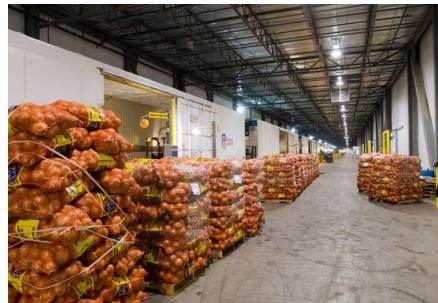




### **SHIPPING VOLUMES**

# Approximately 1.0 billion pounds of produce and wine is shipped to the East Coast annually.







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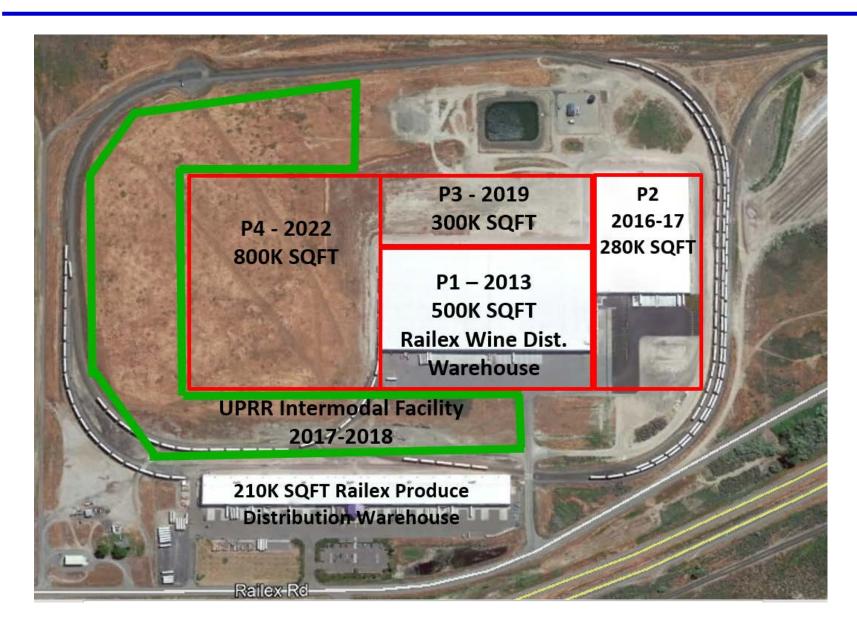
| Apples           | 250 million pounds     |
|------------------|------------------------|
| Onions           | 275 million pounds     |
| Other Tree Fruit | 65 million pounds      |
| Potatoes         | 60 million pounds      |
| Wine             | Over 1.5 million cases |

**Other items** 

125 million pounds



Railex Wine Distribution Warehouse (Northwest Wine Services)





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RAILEX WINE SERVICES DISTRIBUTION CENTER 500,000 S.F. TEMPERATURE CONTROLLED WALLULA, WASHINGTON







### Railex Wine Distribution Warehouse (Northwest Wine Services)







#### Northwest Wine Services Warehouse is capable of storing 7 million cases of wine.







PACIFIC NORTHWEST WINES

Anew

1.

3.

4.

6.

- 2. Chateau Ste. Michelle
  - Col Solare
  - Columbia Crest
- 5. Erath
  - Michelle
- 7. Northstar
- 8. O Wines
- 9. Red Diamond
- 10. Seven Falls
- 11. Snoqualmie
- 12. Spring Valley
- 13. Stimson Estate Cellars
- 14. Two Vines
- 15. 14 Hands







### <u>California</u>

- 1. Conn Creek
- 2. Hawk Crest
- 3. Stag's Leap Wine Cellars
- 4. Villa Mt. Eden



### **Partnerships**

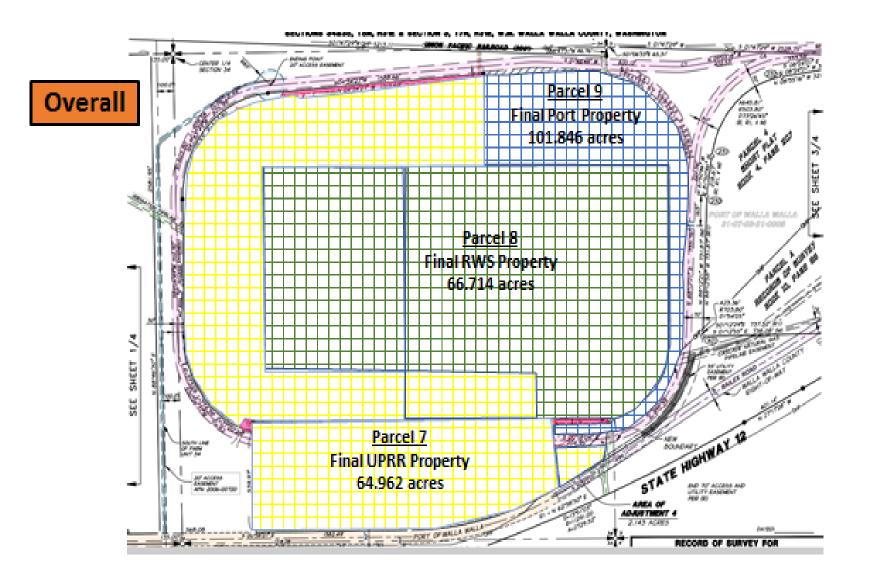
- 1. Antica Napa Valley
- 2. Antinori
- 3. Eroica
- 4. Esk Valley
- 5. Haras
- 6. Jean Leon
- 7. La Braccesca
- 8. Miguel Torres Chile
- 9. Montenisa

- 10. Champagne Nicolas Feuillatte
- 11. Palmes D'or
- 12. Prunotto
- 13. Santa Cristina
- 14. Tormaresca
- 15. Torres Spain
- 16. Torres Brandy
- 17. Villa Maria New Zealand



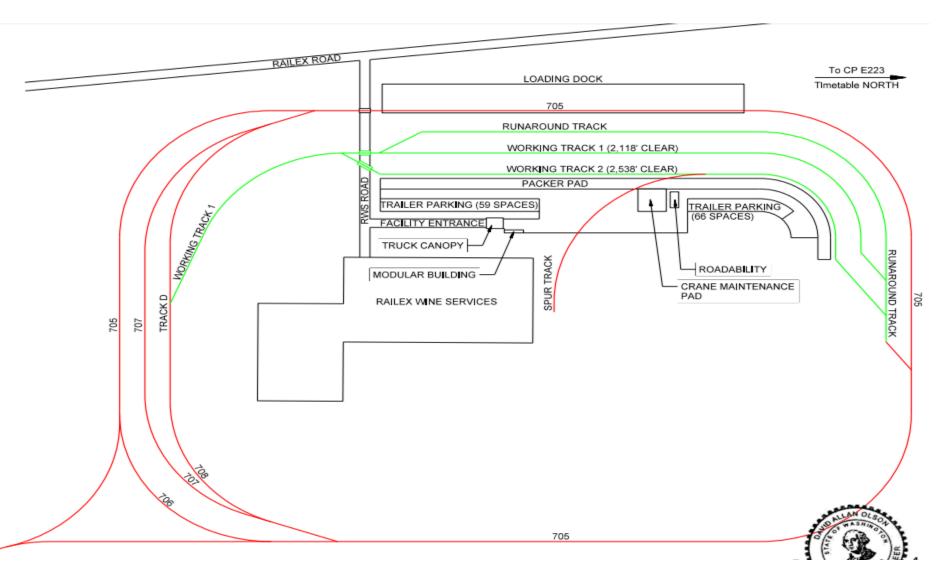


### Union Pacific Rail Road (Intermodal Facility)





### Union Pacific Rail Road (Intermodal Facility - \$15M)





**Port of Walla Walla** 

# **Dell Avenue Warehouse District**

### **Property Located in City of Walla Walla**



### Dell Avenue Warehouse District Over 125,000 sq. ft.





### **Dell Avenue Warehouse District**







### **Dell Avenue Warehouse District**

#### Warehouse District Master Plan





### **Dell Avenue Warehouse District**





## **On-Going Port Initiatives**

- Technology cluster for Downtown Walla Walla area.
- Large heavy industrial business leads in the western portion of Walla Walla County.
- Agriculture and Wine Distribution
- Transportation Improvements (Freight Mobility)
- Commercial Air and General Air Service
- Industrial Park Development
- Capital Infrastructure Investment
  - Wallula Dodd Water System \$25M
  - US 12 Phase 7 Construction \$140M Funded (Construction 2020-2021)
  - US 12 Phase 8 Construction \$161M Unfunded Construction
- Walla Walla Trends (Maintaining Demographics about region for site selection)

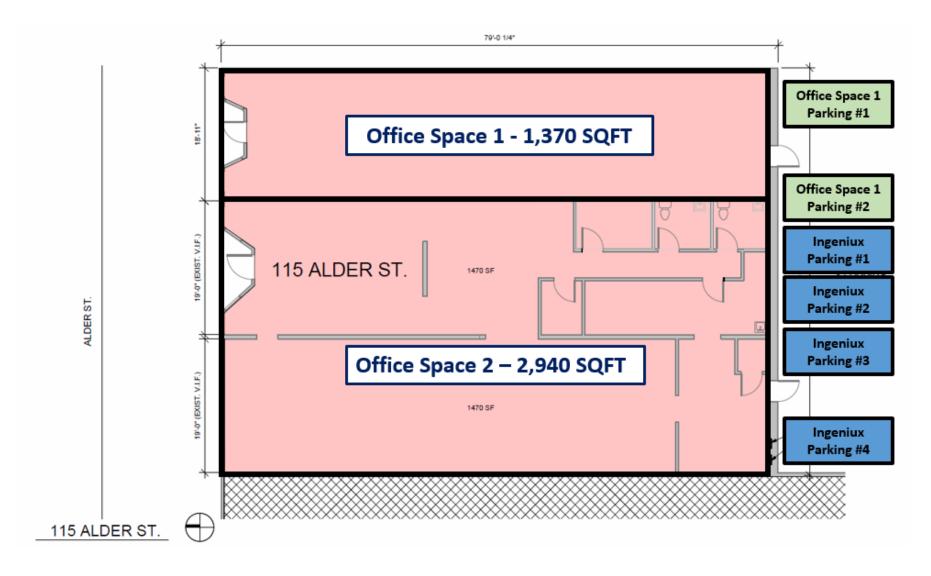


**Alder Street Technology Office** 





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# Port of Walla Walla





### U.S. Highway 12 Coalition

#### **PROGRESS ALONG US HIGHWAY 12**

| Phase 1 - COMPLETED - July 2004<br>Four-laning McNary Pool to Attalia |  |
|---|--|
| Total Project Cost  |  |

Total Project Cost ..... \$12.1 million

Phase 5 - COMPLETED - February 2010 Attalia Vicinity to US 730 - Preliminary Design Only Total Project Cost \$0.8 million

#### FINISH WHAT WE STARTED

#### Phase 7 - FUNDED

#### Nine Mile Hill to Frenchtown Vicinity

| Project Cost.<br>(Funded by 2015 Connecting Washington Transporta | \$ 134.8 million<br>ition Funding Package) |
|---|--|
| Pre-existing Funds  | \$5.3 million                              |
| Estimated Total Project Cost                                      | \$140.1 million                            |

#### Phase 8 – Design and Right-of-Way FUNDED Wallula to Nine Mile Hill

Design and Right-of-Way - Funded......\$ 34.0 million (Funded by 2015 Connecting Washington Transportation Funding Package) Construction - Unfunded ......\$161.0 million Estimated Total Project Cost.....\$195.0 million



Proposed US 12 Highway near Nine Mile Hill Canyon, looking east to Touchet



### **Port of Walla Walla** U.S. Highway 12 Coalition

#### **US 12 – Wallula to Frenchtown Vicinity – Add Lanes**

Four-laning US Highway 12 (Phases 7 and 8)

July 2017

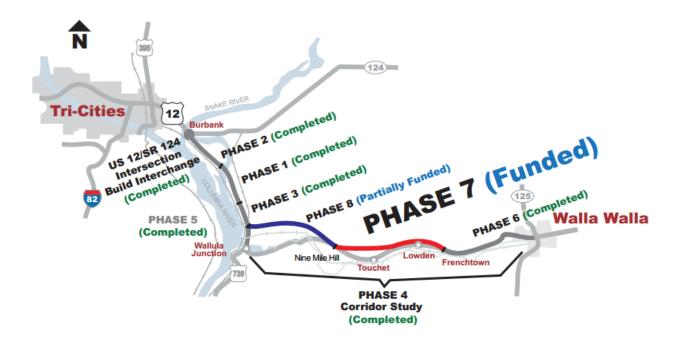


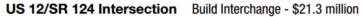
#### US Highway 12 - Phase 7 – Draft Schedule

| Phases                         | Schedule           |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|
| Design                         | Currently underway |
| Begin Right of Way Acquisition | Winter 2016        |
| Project out for Bids           | Spring 2019        |
| Begin Construction             | Summer 2019        |
| Complete Project               | Summer 2021        |



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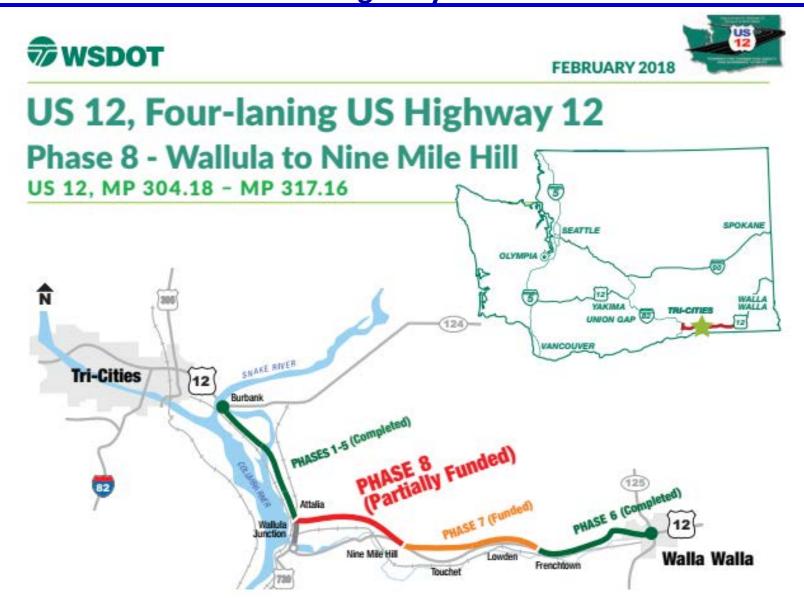
- PHASE 1 McNary Pool to Attalia \$11.2 million
- PHASE 2 SR 124 to McNary Pool \$12.1 million
- PHASE 3 Attalia Vicinity \$16.0 million
- PHASE 4 Wallula Junction to Walla Walla Corridor Study \$5.4 million
- PHASE 5 Attalia Vicinity to US 730 Preliminary Design Only \$0.8 million
- PHASE 6 Frenchtown Vicinity to Walla Walla \$51.9 million

#### **PHASE 7** Nine Mile Hill to Frenchtown Vicinity - Funded \$140.1 million

PHASE 8 Wallula to Nine Mile Hill - Design and Right of Way Funded - \$34.0 million



Port of Walla Walla U.S. Highway 12 Coalition



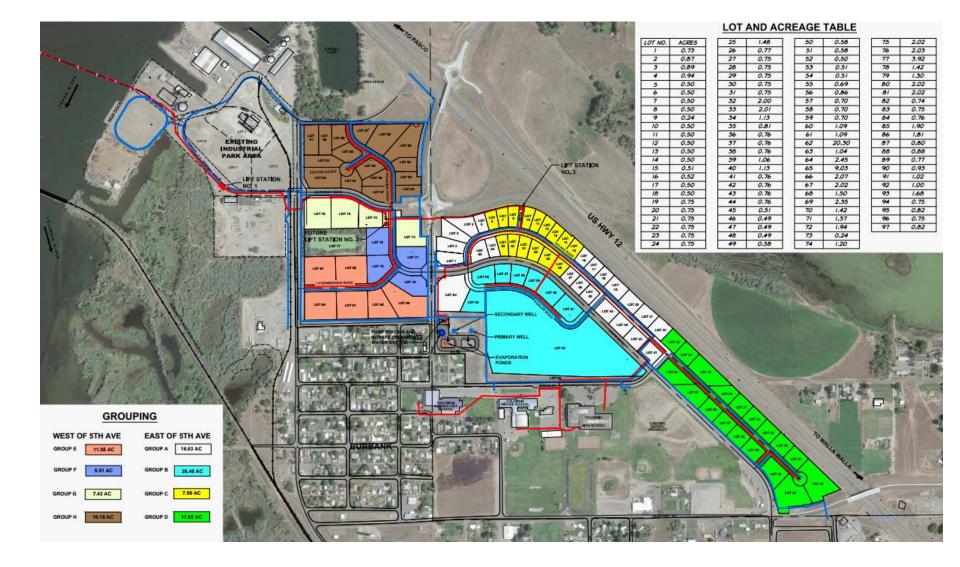








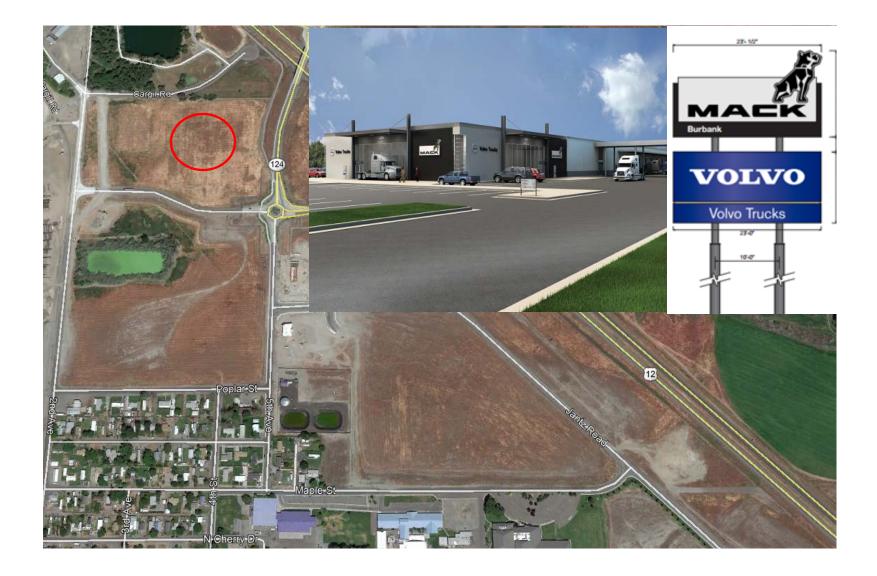














### Wallula Gap Business Park



- ± 1,400 acre mega site zoned heavy & mixed industrial site adjacent to U.S. Highway 12; adjacent to a dual access rail spur (UPRR & BNSF); 14 miles from the Tri-Cities, WA MSA (270K population); and Interstate 395.
- 6 million gallon per day municipal potable, process and fire suppression water system.
- Two (2) low cost electrical providers.
- TransCanada GTN Natural Gas Transmission Line with a 42" & 36" natural gas lines with excess capacity.
- Formal site due diligence completed including survey maps, utility information, archaeological, geotechnical, biological and environmental reports.

For more information contact Paul Gerola, Port of Walla Walla at 509-525-3100 or pg@portwallawalla.com



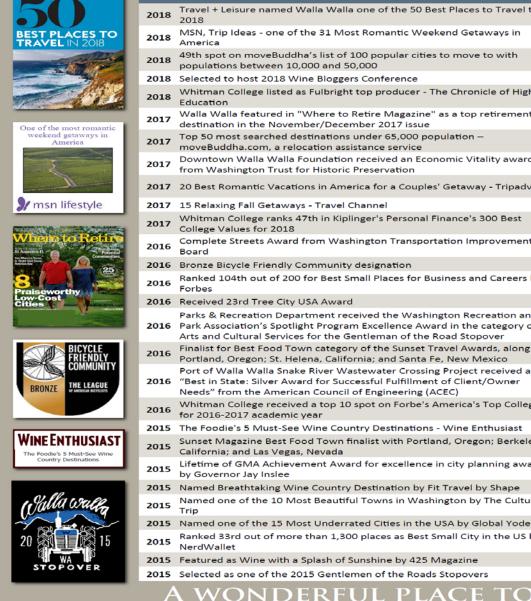
### **Current Projects**

### (All with reliance on professional service providers)

- Airport Terminal Parking Lot Expansion \$670K (Completed)
- Airport Taxiway Project \$13M (Phase 1 & 2 Completed)
- Mill Creek Channel Flood Control General Investigative Study with COE - \$3M
- Wallula Gap Water System Improvements \$25M
- US Highway 12 Phase 7 Construction \$126M
- US Highway 12 Phase 8 Engineering/ROW Acquisition/Environmental \$160M
- Second Avenue Reconstruction (Burbank) \$600K (Completed)
- Build to Suit at Airport Reiff MFG and Burwood Brewery \$750K (Completed)



# Community Accolades



### Walla Walla Awards & Recognition

Travel + Leisure named Walla Walla one of the 50 Best Places to Travel to in 2018 2018

- MSN, Trip Ideas one of the 31 Most Romantic Weekend Getaways in America
- 49th spot on moveBuddha's list of 100 popular cities to move to with 2018 populations between 10,000 and 50,000
- 2018 Selected to host 2018 Wine Bloggers Conference
- Whitman College listed as Fulbright top producer The Chronicle of Higher Education
- Walla Walla featured in "Where to Retire Magazine" as a top retirement 2017 destination in the November/December 2017 issue
  - Top 50 most searched destinations under 65,000 population moveBuddha.com, a relocation assistance service
- Downtown Walla Walla Foundation received an Economic Vitality award 2017 from Washington Trust for Historic Preservation
- 2017 20 Best Romantic Vacations in America for a Couples' Getaway Tripadvisor
- 2017 15 Relaxing Fall Getaways Travel Channel
- Whitman College ranks 47th in Kiplinger's Personal Finance's 300 Best 2017 College Values for 2018
- Complete Streets Award from Washington Transportation Improvement Board
- 2016 Bronze Bicycle Friendly Community designation
- Ranked 104th out of 200 for Best Small Places for Business and Careers by 2016 Forbes
- 2016 Received 23rd Tree City USA Award
- Parks & Recreation Department received the Washington Recreation and 2016 Park Association's Spotlight Program Excellence Award in the category of Arts and Cultural Services for the Gentleman of the Road Stopover
- Finalist for Best Food Town category of the Sunset Travel Awards, along with 2016 Portland, Oregon; St. Helena, California; and Santa Fe, New Mexico
- Port of Walla Walla Snake River Wastewater Crossing Project received a 2016 "Best in State: Silver Award for Successful Fulfillment of Client/Owner Needs" from the American Council of Engineering (ACEC)
- Whitman College received a top 10 spot on Forbe's America's Top Colleges for 2016-2017 academic year
- 2015 The Foodie's 5 Must-See Wine Country Destinations Wine Enthusiast
- Sunset Magazine Best Food Town finalist with Portland, Oregon; Berkeley, California; and Las Vegas, Nevada
- Lifetime of GMA Achievement Award for excellence in city planning awarded 2015 by Governor Jay Inslee
- 2015 Named Breathtaking Wine Country Destination by Fit Travel by Shape
- Named one of the 10 Most Beautiful Towns in Washington by The Culture 2015 Trip
- 2015 Named one of the 15 Most Underrated Cities in the USA by Global Yodel
- Ranked 33rd out of more than 1,300 places as Best Small City in the US by 2015 NerdWallet

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- 2015 Featured as Wine with a Splash of Sunshine by 425 Magazine
- 2015 Selected as one of the 2015 Gentlemen of the Roads Stopovers











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## Community **Accolades**

|  |              | VALLA WALLA  |  |
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|  | AV           | vards & Recognition  |  |
| 2014 EXCELLENCE<br>ON MAIN AWARD               | 2014         | For the second formation when the second   |  |
| OUTSTANDING SPECIAL PROJECT                    | 2014         | Excellence on Main Award from the Washington State Main Street Program<br>Walla Walla named as 24 Best Places to Live and Work 2014                    |  |
|  | 2014         | by Sunset Magazine   | Aspon Prize                                      |
|  | 2014         | Walla Walla named as 10 Best Wine Travel Destinations 2014<br>by Wine Enthusiast Magazine  |  |
| DOWNTOWN WALLA WALLA<br>RESIDENTIAL GUIDELINES | 2013         | The Princeton Review ranks Whitman College Among the Best Colleges   |  |
| Constanting and a second                       | 2013<br>2013 | Walla Walla Community College Named Top Community College in Nation<br>Walla Walla named as Semifinalist for Smart 21 Intelligent Communities for 2014 | WALLA WALLA<br>COMMUNITY COLLEGE                 |
|  | 2013         | Walla Walla Police Department Merit award for Masonry from<br>the Masonry Industry Promotions Group  | NAMED TOP COMMUNITY<br>COLLEGE IN NATION<br>2013 |
| State Travel                                   | 2013         | Wastewater Treatment Plant \$mart Business Partner Award from<br>Walla Walla Valley Chamber of Commerce  |  |
| FIVE BEST SMALL                                | 2013         | Fodor's list Walla Walla in 10 Best Small Towns in America   | PINCETON PA                                      |
| TOWNS IN AMERICA<br>2011                       | 2013         | Received its 19th Tree City USA Award  | 378  |
|  | 2012         | Wastewater Treatment Plant Outstanding Performance from<br>Washington State Department of Ecology  | COLLEGES   |
|  | 2012         | Community Facilities Award from the Infrastructure Assistance Coordinating Council   | 2014 EDITION                                     |
| 24 BEST PLACES TO                              | 2012         | Municipal Excellence in Public Works Award for Infrastructure Repair and<br>Replacement Plan from Association of Washington Cities                     | WHITMAN COLLEGE                                  |
| LIVE AND WORK<br>2014                          | 2012         | Tonique Magazine names Walla Walla as Most Authentic Wine Region in America<br>Tyler Public Sector Excellence Award from Tyler Technologies            |  |
| THE WEST'S 20 BEST                             |              | American Planning Association names Walla Walla in Top Ten   | SMART  |
| SMALL TOWNS<br>2009                            | 2012         | Greatest Neighborhoods   | -7-  |
| THE WEST'S BEST<br>PLACES TO LIVE &            | 2011         | Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting<br>from the Government Finance Officers Association                                   |  |
| BEST MAIN STREET<br>2002                       | 2011         | Going Above & Beyond in Drinking Water Award from the Washington State<br>Department of Health   | Intelligent<br>Communities<br>of the Year        |
|  | 2011         | State of Washington Governor's Smart Communities Award for<br>the Washington Park Gathering Place project  | SEMIFINALIST<br>2014                             |
| WINE ENTHUSIAST                                | 2011         | USA Today names Walla Walla as the Five Best Small Towns in America  |  |
| THE WORLD IN YOUR GLASS                        | 2011 2011    | USA Today ranked Walla Walla Friendliest Town in the Country<br>Rand McNally names Walla Walla as the Friendliest Small Town in America                |  |
| 10 Best Wine Travel<br>Destinations            |              | Government Fleet Magazine awards the Fleet Services Division   | <b>Fodors</b> Travel                             |
| 2014   | 2010         | with the "Environmental Leadership Award"<br>Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting  | 10 BEST SMALL<br>TOWNS IN AMERICA                |
|  | 2010         | from the Government Finance Officers Association   | 2013   |
| Money  | 2009         | Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting<br>from the Government Finance Officers Association                                   |  |
| BEST PLACES<br>TO RETIRE                       | 2009         | Sunset Magazine named Walla Walla "The West's 20 Best Small Towns"   | National Main Street<br>Center                   |
| CNNMONEY.COM<br>TOP 5 PLACES TO RETIRE         | 2008         | Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting<br>from the Government Finance Officers Association                                   | THE GREAT AMERICAN                               |
| 2006   | 2007         | Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting<br>from the Government Finance Officers Association                                   | MAIN STREET AWARD<br>2001                        |
|  | 2006         | CNNMoney.com names Walla Walla one of the "Top 5 Places to Retire"   |  |
|  | 2005         | Sunset Magazine named Walla Walla "The 2005 Wine Destination of the Year"  | beg! Best for Food                               |
| 1000   | 2005         | Received ESRI Special Achievement in Geographic Information Systems<br>Downtown nominated for the 2005 Preserve America Presidential Award             | Road 2013 + FINALIST                             |
|  | 2004         |  | -  |
|  | 2002         | One of 12 national "Distinctive Destinations" by National Trust for Historic Preservation  |  |
| TREE CITY USA                                  | 2002         | Sunset Magazine's "The West's Best Places to Live" and "Best Main Street"  | @RAND M?NALLY                                    |
| RECEIVED 19TH<br>TREE CITY USA AWARD           | 2001         | The Great American Main Street Award, National Trust for Historic Preservation   | FRIENDLIEST SMALL                                |
| 2013   | 1996         | Walla Walla named as "One of the 100 Best Small Art Towns in America" in a<br>book by John Villani, John Muir Publications                             | TOWN IN AMERICA<br>2011                          |
|  | А            | WONDERFUL PLACE TO   |  |
|  |              | LIVE, WORK, AND PLAY   |  |
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