

PUBLIC NOTICE

The U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration (EDA) is considering a request for Federal assistance from the Port of Port Townsend to construct the Point Hudson Marina Breakwater Reconstruction in Port Townsend, Jefferson County, Washington. Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), EDA is assessing the potential of the proposed project to affect the environment and/or historic properties.

The project is proposing the removal, disposal and reconstruction of the north and south breakwaters projecting on either side of the Point Hudson Marina. The in-water construction will consist of removal of existing breakwaters, dredging, debris disposal, installation of the replacement breakwaters, and the installation of the breakwater armoring. Out of the water construction includes the excavation and backfilling behind the replacement bulkhead, replacing pavement near the top of the southern breakwater and bulkhead, installing signage, and replacing pedestrian walkway including handrails and navigation lights. The project has been designed to maintain the historical appearance of the breakwaters, improve structural integrity, and provide proper wave reflection for the marina. The project will be located at 103 Hudson Street, Port Townsend, WA, 98368.

Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended, EDA is conducting an environmental assessment (EA) of the proposed project.

Additionally, a determination has been made by the EDA, in accordance with the President's Executive Order 11988, that the project will be located in the 100-year floodplain, is water dependent, and that there is no practicable alternative. The project has been designed to minimize the risk of loss of life and property damage due to flood and storm damages and minimizes the adverse impacts in floodplain value and function.

Project information is available for review at 2701 Jefferson St, Port Townsend, WA, 98368, or Contact the Project manager Mikael Love at (360)385-0656 Ext. 112, hours: Monday- Friday, 9 AM to 4:30 PM. More information on project details is available on the Port of Port Townsend website, portofpt.com.

If you have any information regarding potential impacts to environmental resources or historic properties associated with this proposed project, please direct your comments to:

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Comments will be accepted by the EDA for 30 days following publication of this Public Notice on June 2nd, 2021. A copy of the NEPA/NHPA decisional document will be available upon request.