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Richland Airport Entrance Archway Planned for 2019



Last year, the Port's Richland Airport was awarded Washington Airport Management Association Project of the Year. The next phase of airport enhancements include a new archway with an artistic silhouette of the "Day's Pay" B-17 Bomber. The aircraft pays tribute to the area's history. The B-17 was paid for by a day's pay from every employee at the Hanford Engineer Works in 1944 in support of World War II.

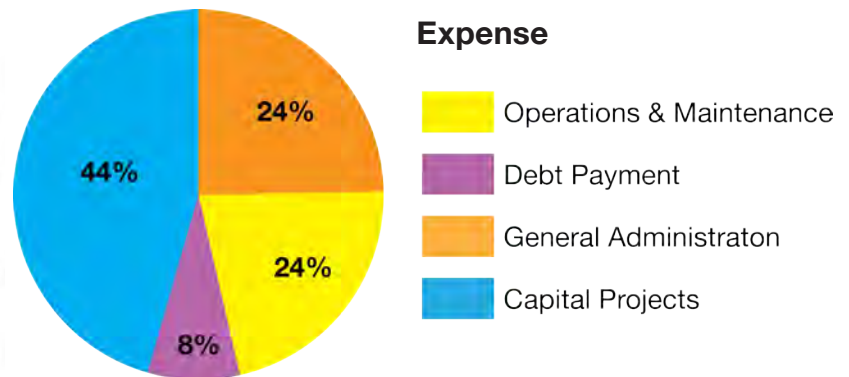
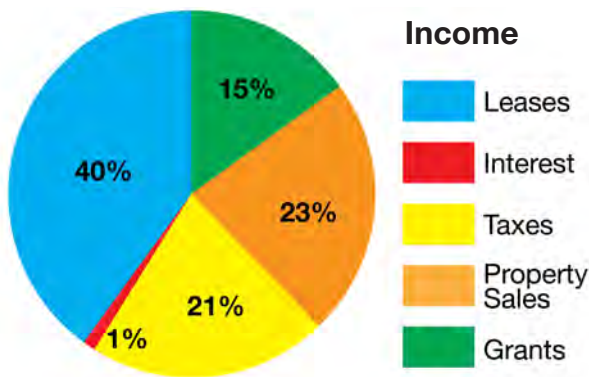
Sundance Aviation Expands: The Port continues to partner with Sundance Aviation, the fixed-base operator at the Richland Airport. Sundance plans to lease an additional 14,400-square-foot building for avionics, turbine repair and maintenance services. Sundance has been a key factor in the growth of the airport since moving on-site 14 years ago.



A new archway featuring a silhouette of the "Day's Pay" B-17 Bomber (artist rendition in top photo) will be installed at the Richland Airport entrance in 2019. Sundance Aviation plans to lease additional building space at the airport for its avionics, turbine repair and maintenance services.

Financial Report

2019 Projected Budget of \$12.3 Million



The Port of Benton strives to keep its tax levy rate as low as possible. In the past 10 years, the rate has decreased by 11 percent. Currently, Port District homeowners pay annual property taxes of \$37.39 per \$100,000 in assessed home value to the Port of Benton.

Tenant Spotlight

Walter Clore Wine & Culinary Center

The Walter Clore Wine & Culinary Center is the only destination in Washington where guests can taste wines from each of the state's unique growing regions. Visitors also learn about the history of wine and agriculture through interactive displays and enhance their knowledge and enjoyment of Washington wine through wine and culinary classes. The center features more than 6,000 square feet of event space for private parties, weddings, and corporate meetings and is home to the Legends of Washington Wine Hall of Fame.

"The Clore Center owes a great deal to the Port of Benton. As the only nonprofit with a mission to celebrate and showcase Washington wine, we are thrilled that they saw our vision and jumped on board. They've been wonderful partners to us and to agritourism in the region," said Abbey Cameron, executive director.

WALTER CLORE
Wine and Culinary Center

Visit www.theclorecenter.org, advance purchase required for most events.

Wine sampling and wine shop open daily, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. (no appointment required).

Delicious tasting menu available Friday – Sunday 11:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.



Events and Activities

- April 5 – Horse Heaven Hills Wine Growers Reception 6-8 p.m.
- April 9 – Supper Club Featuring Double Canyon wines 6 p.m.
- April 13 – UK Cheese and WA Wine Class 2-3 p.m.
- April 13 – Meet the Maker: JB Neufeld
- April 20 – Meet the Maker: Nota Bene Cellars
- April 27 – Blind Tasting: Viognier 2-3 p.m.
- May 2 – Clore Classic Golf Tournament
- May 5 – Cinco de Mayo Demo & Lunch with Chef Frank Magana 12-2 p.m.
- May 11 – Meet the Artisan: AprèsVin
- May 18 – Rising Stars: A Tasting Experience of WA's Newest Wineries
- June 21 – Supper Club Featuring Chef Frank Magana

SIGN Fracture Care Buys Port of Benton Building

On their 20th anniversary, SIGN Fracture Care International purchased the Port's 38,000-square-foot development building at 451 Hills St. in Richland.

"We are honored to have been a tenant of the Port," said Jeanne Dillner, SIGN CEO. "They have been an excellent partner and supporter of SIGN since our inception in 1999. As we move into our next 20 years, we look ahead to designing new products, adding more educational opportunities for the surgeons in developing countries, and providing thousands more patients the ability to heal from disabling fractures and bone deformities caused by road traffic and other accidents. Buying the building from the Port affords us the flexibility to expand our design and manufacturing capacity at a rate that lines up with the needs of the patients we serve."



SIGN Fracture Care International purchased a development building from the Port of Benton to expand its operations.

Vintner's Village New Tenant Is...



Domanico Cellars will open a tasting room at the Port's new multi-tenant development building in Vintner's Village.

Domanico Cellars will open a tasting room at the Port's wine village in Prosser this summer. The Port Commission approved the lease agreement early this year.

"We are so proud to have Domanico Cellars become a part of Vintner's Village," said Scott D. Keller, PPM® Port of Benton executive director.

Domanico Cellars, formerly Carter Family Vineyard, is a small, family-owned winery headed by Jason Domanico. The winery has tasting rooms in the Ballard neighborhood of Seattle and at its vineyard in Prosser.

"Jason has a great reputation and we are excited about his vision for the property," said Teresa Hancock, Port director of real estate.

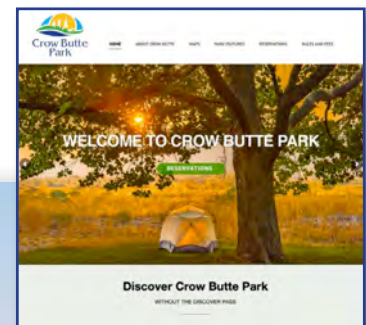
Vintner's Village is a destination for tourists and foodies seeking world class wineries and winemakers.

Crow Butte Park - UPDATE

Crow Butte has a new and updated website and reservation system!

At the park, work continues on a new campground area which will be situated above the marina and will include ADA-compliant pathways, 20 RV spaces with full hookups, restrooms with showers and new landscaping. The Port is also teaming with the Corps of Engineers to replace the aging contact station and improve the landscaping at the Park entrance.

Crow Butte opened for the season on March 15.



Crow Butte Park is open from March 15 to October 31. Visit us at www.crowbutte.com or call (509) 875-2644 for more information.

PORT KUDOS CORNER: **Robert Jackson & Trevor Thompson**



Congratulations to Robert Jackson and Trevor Thompson for their years of service at the Port of Benton.

The Port would like to recognize and congratulate Robert Jackson and Trevor Thompson for their years of service at the Port of Benton. You will recognize these familiar faces as the maintenance team who spends almost all their time outdoors. Together, they work to form your first impression of the Port of Benton properties.

Robert joined the Port in 2008. Previously, he was co-owner of Plastics Fantastics, a Port tenant, and worked as a long-haul truck driver. When not on the job, Robert enjoys attending car and motorcycle shows, traveling and spending time with his family.

Trevor started as a Port team member in 2010. He is a graduate of WSU Tri-Cities, with a bachelor's degree in social sciences and minor in psychology. When not at work, Trevor enjoys watching sports, hunting, hiking and spending time with his extended family at their cabin in the Blue Mountains.

Commissioners & Executive Director



Roy D. Keck
Commission President



Jane F. Hagarty
Commission Vice President



Robert D. Larson
Commission Secretary



Scott D. Keller, PPM®
Executive Director

Calendar of Events

Benton City Spring Opener	Benton City	April 27
Bottles, Brews & Barbecues	Prosser Vintner's Village	June 8
Scottish Festival	Prosser Wine & Food Park	June 15
Richland Fly-In	Richland Airport	June 15
Cool Desert Nights	Richland	June 20 - 23
Water Follies	Columbia Park	July 26 - 28
Legends of Washington	Walter Clore Center, Prosser	August 9
Wings and Wheels Show	Richland Airport	August 17
Prosser Fly-In	Prosser Airport	Aug. 31 - Sept. 2
Benton City Daze Parade	Benton City	September 14
Great Prosser Balloon Rally	Prosser Airport	September 27 - 29

Commission meetings are open to the public and held the second Wednesday of each month at 8:30 a.m. in the Port of Benton Commission Meeting Room, 3250 Port of Benton Boulevard, Richland, Washington. March and September Commission meetings are held at the Walter Clore Wine & Culinary Center, 2140 Wine Country Road, Prosser, Washington.

For information about property acquisition and leasing opportunities, please call the Port of Benton at (509) 375-3060 or visit our website at www.portofbenton.com.