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Port of Benton Welcomes New Director of Finance

RICHLAND, Wash. – Alicia Myers joined Port of Benton this month as Director of Finance.

Myers's responsibilities include the overall administration of the port's financial operations, office administration, and management of employee payroll, benefits, hiring and training activities. Her other duties include developing and administering the annual budget, monitoring and reporting financial performance and overseeing the financial activities of grants and capital projects.

Myers brings extensive experience, including her most recent role as Director of Finance for Port of Skagit, where she oversaw \$54 million in GASB 87 lease receivables and was responsible for grant compliance. Myers previously served as Director of Finance for Mount Baker School District and as Assistant State Auditor and Fraud Specialist for the Washington State Auditor's Office.

"Alicia's depth of experience in public finance and her proven leadership in grant administration and compliance will be a tremendous asset to our organization," said Executive Director Diahann Howard. "Her expertise will help strengthen our financial operations and support the port's continued growth and service to the community."

"I am honored to join Port of Benton," said Myers. "While I'm new to the Tri-Cities region, I bring extensive experience in government financial management and administration. I am excited to support the port's mission and collaborate with the team to build on its strong foundation and contribute to the region's continued economic development."

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