



## **Fire District To Practice At Port**

**Bingen, Washington** – Klickitat County Fire District #4 will be hosting a one-day multi-agency fire drill and exercise at Bingen Point on Sunday, October 26, 2008. For the duration of the exercise, the eastern half of the boat ramp at the Port's Marina Park and certain areas at the point will be closed to the public. The Port and Fire District remind drivers to yield to fire vehicles traveling between Marina Park and the point and ask that the public stay clear of firefighting personnel and equipment during the drill.

This exercise will allow firefighters from several local agencies to share ideas and practice techniques pertaining to the efficient drafting, transport, delivery, and discharge of water at flow rates of 500gpm or more. The drill will involve structure fire engines, portable tanks, and water tenders. “The Port is pleased to offer local fire protection agencies an area in which to practice skills that play such an important role in protecting our communities,” said Marc Thornsby, the Port's Executive Director. Apart from the areas noted, Marina Park and the point will remain open to the public.

### **At A Glance...**

**Who:**.....Port of Klickitat and Klickitat County Fire Dist. #4  
**What:**.....Multi-agency Fire Drill and Exercise  
**When:**.....October 26, 2006  
**Where:**.....Bingen Point  
**Quick Facts:**.....Will allow firefighters to practice water transport and delivery. East boat ramp at Marina Park and some other areas will be closed to the public. Fire vehicles will be traveling between Marina Park and the point.

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### **About the Port of Klickitat**

Economic development, transportation, and marine-based recreation are key functions of the Port of Klickitat. These are achieved through leasing industrial-zoned property, developing and renting industrial and commercial facilities, developing and maintaining rail spurs and dock facilities, assisting companies with an interest in locating in Klickitat County, creating and managing marine-based recreational facilities, and working closely with various partner organizations and agencies.

The Port of Klickitat is located in Klickitat County, Washington and was created in 1944. It is one of several port authorities located in the mid-Columbia region. It owns two industrial parks and several buildings, leases industrial property and space, operates a barge dock, and holds property set aside for a park and marina. Transportation access is provided via rail, river barge, highways 14, 35, and 197, and Interstate 84.

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