

## Link to Economic Development Strategy

**Port of Grays Harbor —** In July 2009, the Community Economic Revitalization Board (CERB) approved a \$910,000 loan and \$90,000 grant to the Port of Grays Harbor for the expansion of Terminal 1, the port's existing barge terminal. The expansion will enable the terminal to accommodate Panamax-sized cargo vessels up to 750 feet long.



Port of Grays Harbor Terminal 1

## Local Perspective of CERB Impact

*“The economic vitality of Grays Harbor County directly correlates to the success of the port. From exporting local products to introducing high-paying, quality jobs, the port is a key player in providing a stable job market that puts our citizens to work.”*

*- Mike Wilson, Chairman*

*Grays Harbor County Board of Commissioners*

## Catalyst for Private and Local Investment

As a result of the Terminal 1 expansion, Westway Terminals, an international liquid bulk cargo handler, plans to locate at the port. Westway Terminals will invest more than \$20 million in their private facility and create 14 full-time jobs as part of this project.



This project also received a \$3 million Job Development Fund grant from the 2009 Legislature.

## Unique State Program

As Washington's strategic economic development resource, CERB is focused on creating private sector jobs in partnership with local governments by financing infrastructure improvements which encourage new business development and expansion. In addition to funding construction projects, CERB provides limited funding for studies that evaluate high-priority economic development projects. CERB receives management services from the Department of Commerce; the lead state agency charged with enhancing and promoting sustainable community and economic vitality in Washington.