



Washington State Ferries



Washington State Ferries Weekly Update



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This week, Terminal Engineering Director Nicole McIntosh provided an update to the Mukilteo City Council to explain how we've addressed community concerns about air quality and creosote odor during the removal of the tank farm pier. We appreciate the city's support for this important project and look forward to continued collaboration as we move forward with terminal design and construction. Our team will continue working with the city and area residents to monitor these issues and ensure we're being a good neighbor during construction. Stop by our booth at the [Mukilteo Lighthouse Festival](#) this Saturday to learn more about the [project](#).

Service impacts due to fog

It's that time of year again when cooling temperatures and warmer Puget Sound water leads to foggy mornings. Just this week, we had to cancel several sailings on the Port Townsend/Coupeville route and we were delayed on other routes due to fog. While our vessels may sometimes operate in low visibility because of redundancies in radios, radar and other equipment, the captain makes the final decision based on safety, especially if there is other marine traffic in the area. Please bear with us over the next few months and enjoy the quiet beauty of foggy mornings on the sound.

Ferries and the northern lights

On Tuesday night, a brilliant, rare display of the aurora borealis, or northern lights, lit up the skies over Puget Sound. Wild Northwest Beauty Photography shared this beautiful [time lapse video](#) with us on Twitter. It features 11 ferries (and many airplanes) speeding through the water and sky above. Enjoy!

Port Townsend Wooden Boat Festival

The 39th [Wooden Boat Festival](#) in Port Townsend is this weekend, Sept. 11-13. If you're heading to the festival, allow plenty of time to park and walk on the Port Townsend/Coupeville ferry. If driving, [vehicle reservations](#) are highly recommended. Last year, we carried 13,149 people to and from Port Townsend during the festival weekend.

Customer compliment

This compliment was posted on [WSDOT's Facebook wall](#) last weekend:

I lost my cell phone at the Seattle ferry terminal today and the staff found it and got it back to me. All the staff was so friendly and nice. Thank you so much!

Lynne Griffith
Assistant Secretary WSDOT/Ferries Division

Hyperlinks within this email:

Mukilteo Lighthouse Festival: <http://mukilteolighthousefestival.com/>

Mukilteo Multimodal Project: <http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/projects/ferries/mukilteoterminal/multimodal/>

Time lapse video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=17KnZfCnMFY&feature=youtu.be>

Wooden Boat Festival: <http://nwmaritime.org/events/wooden-boat-festival/>

Vehicle reservations: <https://secureapps.wsdot.wa.gov/Ferries/Reservations/Vehicle/default.aspx>

WSDOT Facebook compliment: <https://www.facebook.com/WSDOT/posts/10153046340046975>

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