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### **Reminder - plan ahead for Labor Day weekend**

As I mentioned last week, all but three of WSF's 10 routes will be on their regular sailing schedules throughout the holiday weekend. Holiday schedules will be in effect on Monday, Sept. 3, on the Point Defiance/Tahlequah, Fauntleroy/Vashon/Southworth, and Seattle/Bainbridge Island routes. For more information on your route visit WSF [online](#).

### **Puget Sound Regional Council meeting**

On Tuesday, I met with the Puget Sound Regional Council Executive Director Bob Drewel and staff to brief them on the Colman Dock Project. WSF, in partnership with the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration, is planning to replace the aging and seismically vulnerable components of Colman Dock in order to maintain ferry service in the future. For more information, visit the project [Web page](#).

### **Joint Transportation Committee, WSF, and B.C. Ferries meeting**

On Thursday, WSF Deputy Chief Captain George Capacci and I participated in a meeting with members and staff of the Joint Transportation Committee and B.C. Ferries to talk about shared opportunities between our two ferry systems. I presented on the new [Olympic Class ferries](#) under construction as well as the potential for [liquefied natural gas](#) in the fleet. I enjoyed continuing our discussions with B.C. Ferries. To view presentations given at this meeting, please visit my [weekly Web page](#).

### **Colman dock has a new map**

There is a new [Puget Sound map](#) at Colman dock, located between Commuter Comforts and World Wrapps. It is a full-color, arterial road map of the Puget Sound. I would like to thank the Kroll Map Company of Seattle for donating the map, which I know our customers will find valuable.

### **Customer compliment**

I received the following compliment from a customer of the Point Defiance/Tahlequah route this week. I want to thank Captain Peter Velarde, Chief Mate Rozell Austin, and Able Seaman Marjorie Ess for helping this customer.

*I wanted to thank and commend two deckhands who helped me this morning... I was commuting by bicycle and standing next to my bike on the bow of the ship as we were about to dock...I fell over the bike and struck the deck hard. Two deckhands, both of whom I recognize, but whose names I cannot remember, rushed to my aid... they helped me up and tried to ensure that I was not injured. I was hurt but okay. I did not really realize it at the time, but I was also somewhat shaken up. I had never before, in many, many years of commuting on the ferries, lost my footing when the boat docked...I was so shaken that I don't think I thanked them, and perhaps left them wondering whether they had done the right thing. As I rode my bike to work, it slowly settled in just how lucky I was, and how grateful I should be...I want you to identify these two deckhands and I want you to thank them, please, and to commend them for being so quick to react. I want you to thank them and commend them for being so caring and polite.*

**Next Week:**

- Olympic Class ferries progress meeting
- Mukilteo project meeting
- Marine industry meeting

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