Notes from Nov. 13, 2024, Brownfields Cleanup Grant Public Meeting

Attendees:

1. Melisa Bod, presenter
2. Carol Bua
3. Leah Ammon
4. Joe Barrentine
5. Cassandra de Kanter
6. Graham Johnson
7. Mark Larsen
8. Rob Healy
9. Matthew Davis
10. Katie Skelton
11. Sydney Lewis, Youth Marine Foundation
12. Vernon, Youth Marine Foundation

Comments & Questions:

Q: How big is the brownfield area?

A: Just under an acre, approx. 92 acres.

Q: What happens

A: Get the parcel cleaned up and work with our Real Estate dept to identify potential organizations or businesses that would fit well here within the Maritime Center.

Q: The Port maintains ownership of the land?

A: Yes. We would enter into a long-term lease for future use of this land.

Q: There's a clean up adjacent to this property

A: Parcel 94 was purchase by the Port in 2020, and is also in need of remediation. We also own Parcel 92, which is where the Maritime Center will be located. It is undergoing remediation right now, which should be done by the end of the year. After that we will look at the area known as “The Boot,” which we are talking to the Puyallup Tribe about what will happen in the future at this location.

Q: The Youth Marine Foundation is concerned about the amount of traffic that will be coming through the area when the Maritime Center opens, how will traffic be accommodated? Have there been traffic studies done?

A: The vehicle entrance will off of 11th Street, approx. where E St. was, which has been planned/discussed with the city of Tacoma. Rob Healy/Port of Tacoma will send Youth Marine Foundation the traffic studies that have been done for the Maritime Center project.

Q: What is the timing of the clean up when the grant comes through?

A: There is 4 years to implement the clean up after it is awarded. 2025 – 2029. There is a tenant on the property whose lease ends in 2026. The school will open in 2026. This clean up probably would end in 2027.