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**FACTS and STATS**

Port Metro Vancouver has handled:

- Overall tonnage of 58.4 million tonnes to June 30 (up 20% YTD).
- Autos volumes have increased by 6% as of June 30, 2010 when compared to the same period last year.

Visit our website for detailed statistics on all sectors.

**IN THE NEWS**

**Minister for the Asia-Pacific Gateway and Port Metro Vancouver Chief Operating Officer Announce \$43 million for infrastructure in the North Shore Trade Area:**

On July 14, 2010, Honourable Stockwell Day, Minister for the Asia-Pacific Gateway joined Port Metro Vancouver Chief Operating Officer, Chris Badger to mark the groundbreaking of the Lynn Creek Rail Bridge and Brooksbank Avenue Underpass Project, representing the first of several North Shore Trade Area improvements as part of the \$225 million in public and private sector investments toward infrastructure improvements on the North Shore. The \$43 million announcement was funded by Port Metro Vancouver, the Government of Canada, and CN. [Read more.](#)

**Port Metro Vancouver President and CEO, Robin Silvester hosts BC Government MLAs on Burrard Inlet Harbour Tour:**

On July 22, 2010 Port Metro Vancouver President and Chief Executive Officer Robin Silvester hosted a group of British Columbia's MLAs on one of the port's Harbour Patrol vessels, the Takaya, for a tour of Burrard Inlet and Port Moody. The tour included the Honourable John Yap, Minister of State for Climate Action and MLA for Richmond Steveston, the Honourable Naomi Yamamoto, Minister for Intergovernmental Relations and MLA for North Vancouver-Lonsdale, Ms. Linda Reid, MLA Richmond East, Mr. Marc Dalton, MLA Maple Ridge-Mission, Ms. Jane Thornthwaite, MLA North Vancouver-Seymour, Mr. Ralph Sultan, MLA West Vancouver-Capilano and Mr. Rob Howard, MLA Richmond-Centre.



Photo L to R: Port Metro Vancouver Chief Operating Officer Chris Badger, North Vancouver Mayor Darryl Mussatto, Hon. Stockwell Day, Minister for the Asia-Pacific Gateway, Tsleil-Waututh First Nation Councillor Liana Martin, North Vancouver MP Andrew Saxton, District of North Vancouver Councillor Roger Bassam



L to R, Back row: Ralph Sultan, MLA West Vancouver-Capilano, Robin Silvester, President and Chief Executive Officer, Port Metro Vancouver, Duncan Wilson, Government Relations and Communications Director, Port Metro Vancouver, Michael Gorman, Boat Master, Feliks Rohraff, Harbour Patrol Officer

L to R, Front row: Jane Thornthwaite, MLA North Vancouver-Seymour, the Honourable Naomi Yamamoto, Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs and MLA for North Vancouver-Lonsdale, Linda Reid, MLA Richmond-East, the Honourable John Yap, Minister of State for Climate Action and MLA for Richmond-Steveston, Rob Howard, MLA Richmond-Centre, Marc Dalton, MLA Maple Ridge-Mission





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**Vancouver City Council Special Meeting: Tanker Traffic in Burrard Inlet:** On July 5, 2010 Port Metro Vancouver Chief Operating Officer, Chris Badger participated as a presenter to Vancouver City Council, on the matter of increased tanker traffic in Burrard Inlet. [Watch the video here.](#)

**Port Metro Vancouver Releases Mid-Year Stats Results:** Port Metro Vancouver has released the 2010 mid-year results of overall throughputs in the Cargo Statistics Report. The report shows that 2010 is building momentum. Overall mid-year volume of 58.4 million tonnes was up 20 per cent compared to 2009 mid-year results of 48.8 million tonnes. Total foreign tonnage increased 19 per cent, to 45.5 million tonnes, with increased foreign exports to growing Asian economies leading the way. [Read more.](#)

**Federal Transport Minister, the Honourable John Baird announces new Vancouver Fraser Port Authority Board Member, Marcella Szel:** Port Metro Vancouver is pleased to welcome Ms. Marcella Szel in her new role as Vancouver Fraser Port Authority Board Member. Ms. Szel holds a B.A. and an honours law degree from the University of Alberta. She worked for Canadian Pacific Railway from 1977 to 2009, where she held a number of senior positions, including senior vice-president of marketing and sales, senior vice-president of marketing and government affairs, and vice-president of strategy, law and corporate secretary. Currently a member of the Global Transportation Hub Authority (Saskatchewan) and a trustee of the Vancouver Police Foundation, Ms. Szel also brings with her a wealth of experience on other committees and boards. [Read more.](#)

## SUPPLY CHAIN INITIATIVES

**Process improvements underway:** Port Metro Vancouver has completed work that will enable the Port to collect terminal and rail event data on a large sample of import rail containers moving through the Vancouver Gateway. This data collection process is estimated to provide the port with key terminal and rail event data on 8,000 – 10,000 import rail containers per month. As a result, Port Metro Vancouver officials will achieve increased insight into overall import rail supply chain performance. This is an opportunity to enhance existing reporting and procedures. The new data collection process is now in place. [Read more.](#)

**Collaborating with Transport Canada:** Port Metro Vancouver and Transport Canada have been working to finalize metrics that will be used in performance reliability indexes. The indexes are specifically designed to measure Vancouver Gateway supply chain performance in the Grain, Bulk and Intermodal sectors. Final recommendations on these metrics will be presented to a Transport Canada led working group this fall.

[We invite your comments, concerns and suggestions](#) on how to improve the logistics planning process. Look for regular updates on Supply Chain Initiatives in upcoming Port eNewsletters.

## PROJECT UPDATES

**Lynn Creek Bridge | Brooksbank Avenue Underpass project:** Site preparation work has been completed by the Tsleil-Waututh Nation for the \$43 million Lynn Creek Bridge and Brooksbank Avenue Underpass Project. The July 14, 2010 announcement was the first of the [North Shore Trade Area](#) improvements and includes an expanded and improved Harbourview Park. Gateway Infrastructure Group was the successful proponent, and work at the site has begun, the project will be substantially completed by March 2011. [Read more.](#)



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**Notification of preliminary work at Roberts Bank:** Port Metro Vancouver has begun work on a seismic evaluation at Roberts Bank to properly understand the ground conditions and their implications. The work is being done in order to accurately assess development requirements that may be needed over the long term. The seismic evaluation will include on-shore drilling commencing in late-July for a period of two weeks and off-shore drilling commencing in early September for a period of two weeks depending on weather conditions. [Read more.](#)

## TRADE AND BUSINESS

**Customer Service Profile, Kim Keskinen:** Port Metro Vancouver is pleased to introduce Kim Keskinen, Environmental Coordinator – Projects. Kim joined the Port in February 2009 as Environmental Coordinator – Audit and Monitoring. Since she joined the Port she has conducted the environmental monitoring for the Roberts Bank East Causeway Habitat Compensation, coordinated Port Metro Vancouver’s Marine Mammal Observer program for dredging and disposal-at-sea activities within southern resident killer whale critical habitat, and worked with the “[What Swims Beneath](#)” partner groups to conduct seining to determine what swims beneath the waters of Port Moody Arm. In her current role, Kim is responsible for providing environmental support for project delivery, including environmental monitoring of construction, follow-up and compliance monitoring of completed projects and conducting related background research and preparation. She also provides contaminated sites support for Port Metro Vancouver’s land management programs. Kim earned her Bachelor of Science, Chemistry from Trent University. She is currently working towards a Bachelor of Technology, Environmental Engineering from BCIT. [Read more.](#)



**Barging wood chips through Vancouver Harbour**

**Seaspan International Profile:** Serving domestic and international markets, Seaspan International Ltd. began as a small coastal company in 1898 servicing BC’s coastal communities. Since then it has evolved into a prominent marine transportation company serving the West Coast of North America. Today, Seaspan serves domestic and international markets with their fleet of self loading, self-discharging log barges. Seaspan’s chip barge fleet is dedicated to transporting sawmill by-products to pulp and paper mills in coastal British Columbia and Puget Sound. Seaspan caters to the pulp and paper market with a fleet of covered house barges that move product from BC coastal mill locations to local terminals in the Vancouver Gateway. Other services include bulk/general cargoes that are handled by a diverse fleet of flat deck barges, railcar barges that are capable of servicing domestic and international ports and chemical and petroleum barges for the Pacific Northwest market. Seaspan also offers ship docking and escort services and a commercial roll on-roll off ferry service through Seaspan Coastal Intermodal. Learn more about Seaspan International. [Read more.](#)

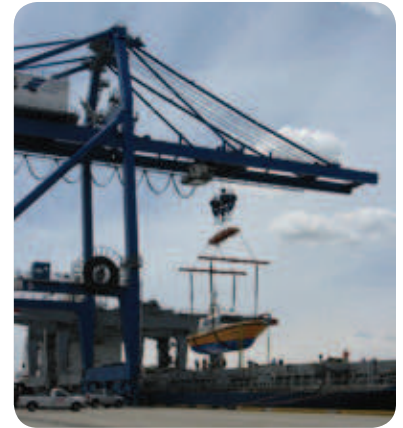


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**NWCA Changes Name to North West & Canada Cruise Association:**

In recognition of the wider representation of the major cruise lines operating in the Pacific Northwest and in Atlantic Canada, NWCA has officially changed its name to North West & Canada Cruise Association (NWCCA). [Read more.](#)

**This week at Canada's Largest Port:** On June 30th, 2010, 3 pilot boats destined for Vlissingen, Netherlands were loaded direct from water to vessel at Fraser Surrey Docks. As a multi-purpose terminal, [Fraser Surrey Docks](#) is the perfect setting for loading this type of cargo efficiently and safely. In this instance, Fraser Surrey Docks' Gantry Cranes were used to load the pilot boats from water to the vessel. This is a prime example of how Fraser Surrey Docks is able to adapt our equipment to handle many different types of cargo.



**Port Metro Vancouver Community Events:** On July 18, Port Metro Vancouver, alongside North Shore industry partners, CN, Neptune Bulk Terminals and Western Stevedoring, participated in Party at the Pier at Burrard Dry Dock in North Vancouver. The 4th annual event saw approximately 10,000 visitors and Port sponsored harbour tours raised proceeds to benefit youth programs at the North Shore Neighbourhood House. The same weekend, the Port attended FraserFest, an annual community event held in New Westminster celebrating the mighty Fraser River. The Port sponsored boat building and Fraser River Harbour Tours aboard a historical paddlewheeler. The tours were a success and raised funds for the Fraser River Alumni Association.

**Mark Your Calendar:** Visit the Port at the following community events throughout the summer.

**Monday, August 2nd** – Tsawwassen Sun Festival

**Friday, August 20th to Sunday, August 22nd** – Richmond Maritime Festival

**Sunday, September 12th** – Coho Festival in West Vancouver

To learn more about community events the Port is attending, visit: [www.portmetrovancover.com](http://www.portmetrovancover.com)

**QUICK LINKS:**

- View the [Container Services Berth Window Schedule](#), last updated July 5, 2010.
- View the [2010 Cruise Schedule](#).
- Access the Port's [eNewsletter archive](#) for 2010.
- Stay up-to-date with the [Port's latest projects](#).
- Email [Customer Service](#) for Trade or Business Development inquiries, or visit the [Opportunities](#) section of our website for answers to frequently asked questions.

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