

Port Community Liaison Committee

Annual Report 2019

Committee Overview

The Port Community Liaison Committee – Delta (PCLC) serves as a mechanism for communications and dialogue about port-related issues in Delta. It is an information sharing forum bringing together representatives from the City of Delta, Tsawwassen First Nation, industry, Vancouver Fraser Port Authority, and local community representatives to discuss developments, identify concerns, provide suggestions and facilitate two-way communication about port operations and development.

Members

Community representatives

- Leslie Abramson, Ladner (term end September 2019)
- Astor Drego, North Delta
- Roger Emsley, Tsawwassen (term end September 2019)
- Mark Gordienko, Tsawwassen
- Heather Lapper, Tsawwassen
- Robert McCandless, Tsawwassen (term end September 2019)
- Dennis McJunkin, North Delta
- Frank Rogers, Tsawwassen (term end September 2019)
- Michelle Sharma, Ladner
- Patrick Thompson, Tsawwassen (term end September 2019)
- Simran Walia, Ladner
- Greg Wirch, Tsawwassen

Environmental representative(s)

- Kate Hagmeier (term end September 2019)
- Oliver Busby

Organizational representatives

- Greg Andrew, Westshore Terminals
- Tom Awrey, Delta Chamber of Commerce
- Tom Corsie, Vancouver Fraser Port Authority
- Marko Dekovic, Global Container Terminals
- Noel Roddick, Delta Farmers' Institute
- Steven Stark, Executive Councillor, Tsawwassen First Nation
- Gord Westlake, BC Rail Company

Municipal representatives

- Bernita Iversen, City of Delta

Meetings

There were five regular meetings held in 2019. Key topics discussed throughout the year were:

- Committee member survey results and actions
- Review of committee terms of reference
- New committee member recruitment
- Deltaport truck staging facility
- Update of Vancouver Fraser Port Authority Land Use Plan
- Regional industrial land shortage
- Habitat enhancement project sites located in Delta
- ECHO (Enhancing Cetacean Habitat and Observation) program details
- Roberts Bank Terminal 2 public panel process
- Coal train dusting background, processes and procedures

Presentations

Presentations that the committee received over the year include:

- Roberts Bank Terminal 2 environmental assessment process
- Deltaport fourth berth project proposal (Global Container Terminals)
- Biofilm Dynamics during Western Sandpiper migration
- Deltaport Road and Rail Improvement Project update (BC Rail)
- Clear Seas Centre for Responsible Marine Shipping
- Port 101; Overview of the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority
- Reducing the effects of marine shipping on at risk whales (Vancouver Fraser Port Authority)

Outreach

The committee equally split a \$1,000 holiday donation between Orphan Wildlife Rescue (OWL) and Mission to Seafarers.

The committee also conducted outreach to recruit for the five outgoing community representatives.