

## PORT OF TILLAMOOK BAY

# RAILROAD

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### MOVING FORWARD AS A TEAM

The Port of Tillamook Bay Board of Commissioners, Art Riedel, Jerry Dove and Ken Bell have appointed Office Administrator **Michele Bradley** as Interim General Manager. Michele will lead our excellent and dedicated staff through the transition of the selection of a permanent Director.

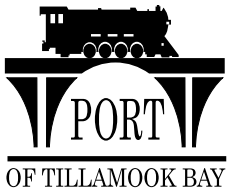
Michele reports that, "All staff has been working as a team and I look forward to their support in this transitional time."

The Board is also happy to report that **Joshua Balmer** has resumed his post as Railroad Operations Manager.

**"THE PORT OF TILLAMOOK BAY IS PLEASED TO BE MOVING FORWARD AT A FASTER PACE, AND POSITIVE CHANGES HAVE BEEN MADE."**

**- COMMISSIONER JERRY DOVE**

According to Port Commissioner Jerry Dove, "The Port of Tillamook Bay is pleased to be moving forward at a faster pace, and positive changes have been made."



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### POTB RAIL SERVICE RESUMES IN BANKS

On April 14, 2008 the Port of Tillamook Bay resumed rail service to the Banks Lumber Company in Banks, Oregon. Since the December, 2007 storm event, the Port railroad had not moved any cars due to the extensive damage

of the rail spur through the Salmonberry Canyon area. The railroad had locomotive POTB 6164 stationed in Banks and provided rail service from the Banks Lumber Company site to the interchange area. As of July 17, a total of 60 rail cars have interchanged. According to Roadmaster **John Lewis**, "Between **Marvin Hahn, Aaron Zorko, Josh Balmer** and myself, we keep these railcars moving to our customer. It has been very important to the Port Board and Staff Members for us to keep our railroad providing rail service."



## **DEBRIS CLEARANCE**

If you hear that familiar train engine whistle and wonder what the work trains are doing in the area from Salmonberry to Tillamook, they are clearing the woody debris from the rail right-of-way from the December 2007 storm event.

Earlier the Port crews had cleared the railroad tracks of fallen trees and debris to provide access and now the crews are going back and removing all this debris from the rail road right-of-way. According to Roadmaster **John Lewis**, an estimated 2,245 cubic yards of material has been removed from the railroad right-of-way. All the material is loaded on the rail cars and deposited at a central location for burning and disposal.



## **POTB ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR BOARD VACANCIES**

The Port of Tillamook Bay is now accepting applications for two vacancies on our Board of Commissioners. The **deadline is August 15th, 2008 at 5:00 pm**. An application is available for download from our website: **[www.potb.org](http://www.potb.org)**. Please e-mail the completed application to [aarthur@potb.org](mailto:aarthur@potb.org) or mail it to 4000 Blimp Boulevard, Tillamook, OR 97141. For questions please call (503) 842-2413 ext. 120.

## **POTB BOARD MEETINGS**

Port of Tillamook Bay Commissioners meet every **third Tuesday** of each month at **6:00 p.m.** in the **Jack Madison Meeting Room** which is located in the Port office building at 4000 Blimp Blvd. These monthly board meetings are open to the public.

## **VISIT OUR SITE!**

We are proud of our POTB website: **[www.potb.org](http://www.potb.org)**. From Port history to current Port events, our site is full of useful and timely information.

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