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Cashmere Mill Property Improvements

Driving by the old Cashmere Mill Site on Sunset Hwy, you will notice a few changes. The removal of existing buildings and concrete pads was completed in Fall 2010. Lead and asbestos were removed from the old kiln building, as well as lead from the shop and skid shed. Abatement of these hazardous materials was critical to cleaning up the site for future development opportunities. Woodwaste, as deep as 13 feet deep, had also been removed. The excavated space will be filled with contaminant free crushed material from the demolition of concrete and buildings. "The Cashmere Mill Property is on its way to being a developable piece of land for the right opportunity" said Commissioner JC Baldwin. The Port continues to work with the City of Cashmere on Sunset Highway improvement planned for 2011.



Retirement for Port's Long Term Public Employee

Dayle Rushing will be retiring from the Port of Chelan County in January 2011. She has filled several positions during her 22 years at the Port, retiring as Director of Property and Risk Management. Prior to employment at the Port, Dayle was with the Eastmont School District. Dayle looks forward to starting her own business called "Two More Hands" in early 2011, assisting clients in party and social event planning. The Port Commission and Staff wish Dayle success and a fulfilling retirement.



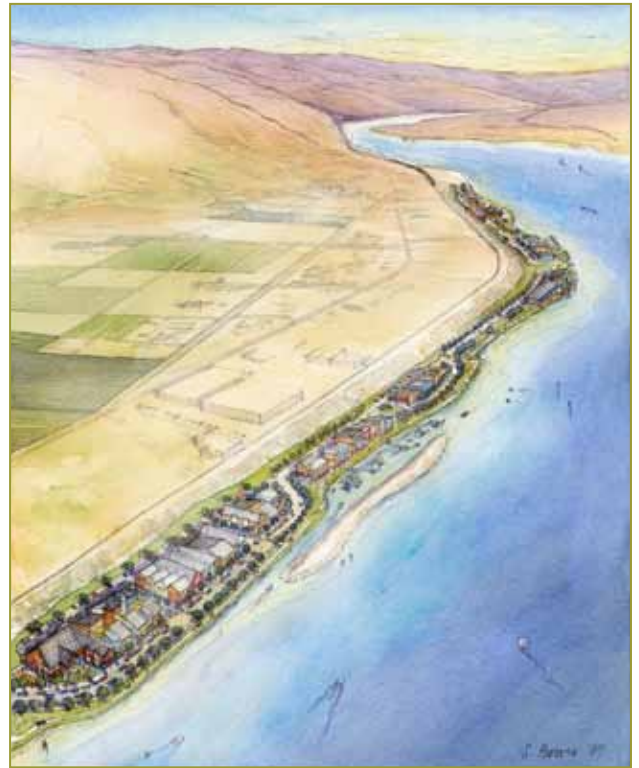
Entiat Waterfront Update

The vision for the Entiat Waterfront development was created by the community of Entiat in 2008. A Master Plan followed in 2009, and shoreline inventory in 2010. The Master Plan elements are based on the community vision, which include a full-service marina on Lake Entiat; restoration of degraded shoreline; a multi-use trail with water access; and a main-street-style commercial area to include lodging, eateries, and shops, with potential for second-floor living areas.

The City has applied for State Recreation Conservation Office (RCO) grants and they have scored from high to mid-level. If the grant programs continue to be well funded, the City anticipates receiving the grants for the trail and shoreline restoration project. Continuing to locate funding is important for the City, and anticipates applying to the RCO Boating Facilities Program and Land and Water Conservation Fund.

The City is currently finalizing easement rights and land swap and purchase agreements with the Chelan County PUD to allow for the shoreline plantings and trail across some areas of the Rocky Reach project boundary.

The City of Entiat has been the recipient of phenomenal support from a number of partners and agencies including the Port of Chelan County, Chelan County PUD, GeoEngineers, ESA/Adolfson, Anderson Consulting, NCW Economic Development District, and WA Dept of Fish and Wildlife. With continued support from the community, partners, agencies, and grant funding, the Entiat Waterfront Master Plan moves forward.



Artwork by Stephanie Bower

Cross Country Ski Trails at Peshastin Mill Property

The Port Commission unanimously approved a license agreement allowing the Leavenworth Winter Sports Club to groom cross country ski trails on the Peshastin Mill future business park site. The agreement, which was facilitated by Peshastin Community Council Chair Steve Keene and Port Commissioner JC Baldwin, will result in a new public winter recreation opportunity centrally located between Leavenworth and Peshastin. Access to the site for cross-country skiing will be free of charge, although the Sports Club may request donations to defray the costs it will incur in grooming the trails. Access will be allowed for non-motorized uses only. The Port continues to evaluate long range development scenarios for the property.



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