

## *News in the Corridor*

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### **CCA Golf Classic**

Sponsored by The Boeing Company

The 17<sup>th</sup> Annual CCA Golf Classic Scramble will be Monday, September 15<sup>th</sup> at the Riverside Golf & Country Club. Go ahead and pencil it in on your calendar.

- Mark the date.
- Become a sponsor. Sign up now and get the advantage of 3 months of promotions on all tournament literature.
- Become a member of the organizing committee. We have a job for people of all capabilities. You don't need to be a golfer to get in on the fun!

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### **Milestone on the way to a New Columbia River Crossing**

The votes are in and all local agencies involved in the Columbia River Crossing (CRC) debate have overwhelmingly supported moving forward. But the support comes with a number of caveats, from both sides of the river. [Last Sunday's Columbian article](#) outlined some of the issues.

CRC has been a top priority for the Columbia Corridor Association. We serve on the CRC Freight Working Group and have been especially interested in a smooth-flowing I-5/Marine Drive interchange. If you would like more information, please contact Corky Collier at 503.287.8686 or [corky@columbiacorridor.org](mailto:corky@columbiacorridor.org).

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### **Tree Removal and Replanting Plan Approved**

An agreement between Peninsula Drainage District #2, the Bridgeton Neighborhood Association, the US Army Corps of Engineers and the City of Portland approves the tree removal on Bridgeton Levee that is necessary for FEMA to recertify the levee to federal standards. After meeting with each of the 25 property owners with trees, the removal of the 72 trees is due to start on or about August 25<sup>th</sup>. Up to 300 trees will be replanted over three years by the District to help restore the neighborhood values found in trees. For more information, please contact Bob Eaton at 503-281-5675 x 301.

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### **Groundwater Protection Program Earns Praise**

The Oregon Department of Environmental Quality recently certified the Portland Groundwater Protection Program. In the certification letter, ODEQ praised the program as a "proactive approach" and an "outstanding model for other communities."

CCA was instrumental in the creation of the program and continues to be the liaison between the Water Bureau and businesses in the Portland Wellfield along the south shore of the Columbia River, east of the airport. [More...](#)

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### **Columbia Corridor Environmental Regulatory Improvement Project**

Though the implementation phase is not funded for the next fiscal year, a Columbia Corridor planning project is still listed in the Bureau of Planning's 3-year work program. Discussions about future environmental or other program changes in the Columbia Corridor may be part of the budget discussions that begin this fall.

[Map of the Columbia Corridor Planning Area...](#)  
[Draft report...](#)

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### **Welcome New and Renewing Members!**

Black Helterline	Western Container Transport
Embassy Suites	Barney & Worth
Leatherman	Capital Pacific Bank
NMHG	Jordan Schrader Ramis
Evraz Oregon Steel Mills	Northwest Tire Factory
Otak, Inc.	PSI
Schnitzer Investment Corp.	Radisson
Schwabe Williamson & Wyatt	Trammell Crow Company
Silver Eagle Manufacturing Co.	Tri-Met

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### **Airport Futures Forecasting Model**

Airport Futures - a collaborative planning effort with the Port of Portland, City of Portland and metropolitan community - recently completed an air travel forecast for Portland International Airport (PDX) through 2035 using an innovative forecasting model with an independent peer review. The forecasts show continued but slower growth than projected in the 2000 PDX Master Plan. For a summary of the forecast and peer review, please go to the What's New section of the Airport Futures website:

[www.pdxairportfutures.com](http://www.pdxairportfutures.com). The next step in the planning process is to determine terminal, parking, roadway, runway and taxiway facility needs for PDX and the potential timing of these improvements based on forecasts.

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### **Portland Drinking Water Quality Report 2008**

Portland can be proud of two high quality water sources: Bull Run and the Wellfield. CCA contracts with the City to insure that the Wellfield remains free of contamination. [For detailed information on the status of Portland's drinking water supply...](#)

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### **University of Oregon Economic Index**

The University of Oregon Index of Economic Indicators™ dropped again in May, falling 0.3 percent to 100.7 (1997=100). The UO Index declined at an annualized 3.5 percent rate over the past six months, indicating a period of at least mild recession. [Full pdf report...](#)

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### **Nike Distribution Center Layoffs Equals Opportunity for Others**

Nike announced last week that it will lay off 175 workers from its Wilsonville distribution center over the next six months. The distribution center is scheduled for closure next year.

If your business is interested in hiring thoroughly vetted distribution workers, call Allan Woolley at 503.667.8996. Most of the affected employees are material handlers. Some are supervisors/managers. These are long-time employees of Nike with outstanding work ethic. Many of these individuals drive from their home in Clark County or east Multnomah County to work at the Nike Wilsonville center—they would be happy to take a job in the Columbia Corridor!

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### **Southbound I-205 Off Ramp Construction Near PDX**

Port of Portland has begun construction to add an additional right-hand turn lane to the I-205 southbound off ramp onto Northeast Airport Way near Portland International Airport.

When finished, the improvement will expand capacity for motorists. This and other roadway projects underway near the airport respond to all-time record travel last year when PDX served more than 14.6 million travelers.

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### **Port of Portland Wins More Awards**

Last month, the American Association of Port Authorities released its annual awards results for 2008. The Port was featured prominently and often among the 22 seaports honored, and received an Award of Excellence for the Seaport Celebration (below).

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### **Seaport Celebration at Terminal 6**

Saturday, August 16<sup>th</sup> will be a fun-filled day at the Port of Portland's fourth annual Seaport Celebration! Experience fun activities for all ages – face painting, games, prizes, equipment demonstrations by the International Longshore and Warehouse Union, and tours of the dock with views of the large container cranes. Unlock the mystery of how many of the things you depend on every day are delivered through the Port of Portland's marine terminals. The Captain Bogg & Salty pirate band will perform at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. and the ILWU will grill food while supplies last. [More details...](#)

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### **Bureau of Planning Discussing Willamette River Industrial Policy**

The Willamette River Team is hosting a community meeting on August 4th, 2008 to discuss industrial zoning policy in the North Reach, listen to comments and answer questions.

*Monday, August 4th, 2008 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm*

*BES Water Lab*

*Smith Lake and Bybee Lake Conference Rooms*

*6543 N. Burlington Avenue, Portland OR 97203*

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### **Upcoming Events**

August 6<sup>th</sup>: Lunch with Ted Wheeler and Jeff Cogen

August 27<sup>th</sup>: Harbor ReDI Breakfast Forum

September 15<sup>th</sup>: CCA's 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Classic Scramble

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