



# WASHINGTON PUBLIC PORTS ASSOCIATION 2025 Legislative Priorities Summary Sheet

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## Transportation

**Transportation Funding:** Washington state is falling short on funding for critical transportation infrastructure needs. Advocate for increased, sustainable funding for infrastructure maintenance and preservation.

**Green Farms to Green Ports Initiative:** Enhance competitiveness of Washington goods to the global marketplace.

**Rail Modernization Tax Credit:** Tax preference to support and incentivize rail infrastructure improvements.

**Supply Chain Competitiveness Infrastructure Program (SCCIP):** Dedicated funding for port and port-adjacent projects that have critical importance to the state's supply chains.

## Economic Development

**Community Economic Revitalization Board (CERB):** Secure requested \$75 million for the 2025-27 biennium.

**Broadband Funding:** Support \$1.2 billion for Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment funding through a state match initiative.

**MatchED Act 2.0:** Expand tools to help local governments leverage federal funds for important local infrastructure projects.

## Environment & Natural Resources

**Model Toxic Control Act (MTCA):** Amid increasing demand, capacity constraints, and lower revenue maintaining funding for long-term, large environmental cleanup projects is critical.

**2025 Industrial Stormwater General Permit Changes and Significant Port Impacts:** Support permittees impacted by the vast expansion of coverage to reasonably come into compliance.

**Derelict Structure Removal Program – Tire Reefs:** Support tire reef removal projects and port eligibility.

## Energy

**Clean Energy Siting and Permitting:** Improve the siting process for local community clean energy projects.

**Port Electrification/Decarbonization Grant Program:** Expand funding for decarbonization initiatives at ports.

**Energy Supply Challenges:** Support infrastructure investments, increasing energy planning, and cost-effective energy solutions to address delays in aligning infrastructure and availability with growing energy demands.

## Other Items

**Aviation:** Increase funding for aviation revitalization and sustainable aviation grants.

**Unleaded AvGas for general aviation aircraft:** Promote incentives for a safe transition without mandates.

**Public Records Act:** Improve processes for handling public records requests and promoting prompt responses.

**Port District Election Term Extension:** Support the option to extend port commission terms to reduce election cycle burdens.

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