



LEGISLATIVE ACTION ALERT

November 27, 2012

All TCU/IAM Representatives Washington State

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**Now is the time to fight for working families and
good paying railroad jobs!**

Pre-meeting rallies have been scheduled in Washington State as the Northwest region has the opportunity to build new export facilities **that will create thousands of new family-wage jobs** and bring in billions of dollars in new investment to the region.

Many Northwest families are still struggling in this economy and now more than ever, communities across the Northwest need well-paying union jobs that can support our families and improve our quality of life.

We need to stand up for these projects and the jobs of the future they will create – and we have the chance to do that right now! One of the proposed projects is the Gateway Pacific Terminal in Northwest Washington, and meetings are being held around Washington State to take public input on the proposal. These are important opportunities to demonstrate to decision-makers the Northwest's broad support for new coal export terminals.

One in five railroad jobs are tied to the transportation of coal. Over 25% of the railroads business is directly tied to hauling coal. We must have our voices heard.

We have our chance to make a difference in Ferndale, Spokane, Vancouver and Seattle in the coming weeks! The opposition will be there in force and will attempt to drown out the benefits, sway the decision makers and kill the terminals. These projects and the jobs they will bring are too important to our families and our communities to let only one side be heard. **Help us tell the full and true story about what these export terminals will mean for the Northwest!**

For further information, you can go to <http://createnwjobs.com/>. RSVP you're attending by clicking the RSVP link on the website for the hearings you can attend.

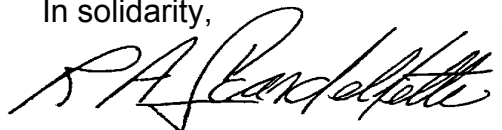
Ferndale Scoping Meeting 3–7 p.m. Pre-meeting Rally 2 p.m. Thursday, November 29 Ferndale Events Center 5715 Barrett Road Ferndale, WA RSVP	Spokane Scoping Meeting 4–7 p.m. Pre-meeting Rally 3 p.m. Tuesday, December 4 Spokane County Fairgrounds 404 N Havana Street Spokane Valley, WA RSVP
Vancouver Scoping Meeting 4–7 p.m. Pre-meeting Rally 3 p.m. Wednesday, December 12 Clark College, Gaiser Student Center 1933 Fort Vancouver Way Vancouver, WA RSVP	Seattle Scoping Meeting 4–7 p.m. Pre-meeting Rally 3 p.m. December 13, 2012 Washington State Convention Center 800 Convention Place Seattle, WA RSVP

We are encouraging our members to be at the hearings an hour early for coffee, treats and socializing with other likeminded union members and supporters. The Alliance for Northwest Jobs & Exports will provide everything you need -- fact sheets, signs, t-shirts, stickers and more – to help show support for strong Northwest jobs and a strong Northwest economy.

Activists who are against new export terminals will use this hearing as an indicator of public opposition to these projects. We must demonstrate that the people are with us on job creation and economic development. **WE MUST SHOW UP!** Please join us at these important events in this critical fight for jobs.

Thanks for your help. If you have any questions please call the Legislative Department at 301-840-8704.

In solidarity,



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