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**FACTS and STATS**

Port Metro Vancouver has handled:

- 1,874,003 tonnes of lumber to March 31, 2011, for an increase of 43%.
- 1,009,360 TEUs to May 31, 2011, with container traffic up 7% YTD.
- 46.8 million metric tonnes of total traffic in the first five months of 2011.

Visit our website for detailed statistics on all sectors.

**IN THE NEWS**

**2010 Annual Report now on-line:** Port Metro Vancouver released its 2010 Annual Report at its Annual General Meeting on June 21. [Read the Annual Report](#). At the AGM, Port Metro Vancouver's Chair, CEO and CFO discussed 2010 results. [Read their remarks](#).

**Port releases first ever Sustainability Report:** Also at its AGM on June 21, Port Metro Vancouver released its [first annual Sustainability Report](#), titled "The Way Forward." The report highlights key social, financial and environmental achievements and milestones, and has been prepared in keeping with the [Global Reporting Initiative's](#) sustainability reporting guidelines. "Reporting on our performance is one way we can be more transparent about our efforts and this report establishes a benchmark on which we can build even further," said Robin Silvester, President and CEO. Port Metro Vancouver joins [Port of Rotterdam](#) as the two top sustainability reporting port organizations in the world based on degree of rigour, transparency, and accountability as measured by GRI application level and extent of third party assurance. [Read the Sustainability Report](#).

**A strong economy is dependent on trade:** [CEO Robin Silvester's June 3 guest editorial](#) profiled some of the Port's sustainable growth plans and discussed how residents and businesses can get involved in the pre-consultation phase of the [Container Capacity Improvement Program](#). [Read the guest editorial](#).

**Port Community Liaison Committee launched in Delta:** Fourteen individuals have been appointed to the [Port Community Liaison Committee \(PCLC\) for Delta](#). The PCLC for Delta includes representatives from the Corporation of Delta, Tsawwassen First Nation, community organizations, port industry, and Port Metro Vancouver. The liaison committee will meet regularly throughout the year and will aim to foster open communication about the port as well as encourage information sharing and identification of opportunities for timely community input. [Read more](#).

**Carbon neutral in 2010:** Thanks to a dynamic program to reduce its environmental footprint, Port Metro Vancouver is pleased to announce that its corporate operations were deemed carbon neutral for 2010. The success was made possible, in part, through the Port's purchase of 1,265 tonnes of carbon offsets from [Pacific Carbon Trust](#), covering greenhouse gas emissions associated with owned and operated buildings, fleet of marine vessels and road vehicles, business travel, employee commuting, paper consumption and solid waste. [Read more](#).





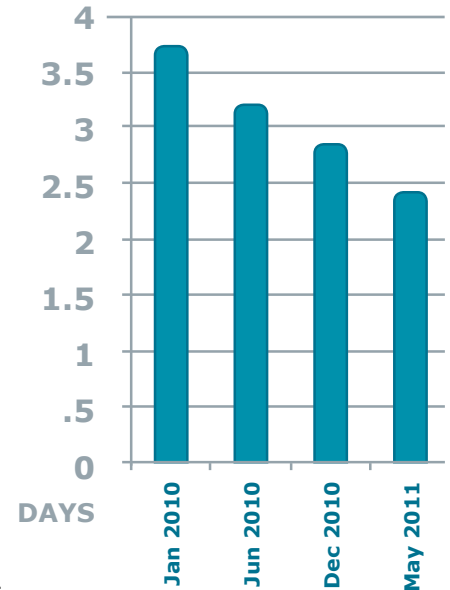
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**SUPPLY CHAIN INITIATIVES**

**Container dwell times improve:** The Vancouver Gateway has experienced a marked improvement in import container terminal dwell performance over the past year. Container dwell times have been reduced by approximately 30 per cent, to consistently fewer than three days. One of the main reasons for this improvement in performance is the collaborative manner in which container terminals and the two main transcontinental Class 1 railways servicing the Gateway, CP and CN, are working together to achieve service efficiencies and improve supply chain performance. This new approach has been enhanced by the port-wide supply chain collaboration agreements signed between the Port and CN and the Port and CP, as well as service agreements that both railways have in place with individual terminal operators. The result is an operational shift towards a new, more collaborative and effective approach and is expected to generate further supply chain performance improvements in the future.

We invite your comments, concerns and suggestions on how to improve the logistics planning process. Look for regular updates on Supply Chain Initiatives in upcoming Port eNewsletters.

CONTAINER DWELL TIMES



**PROJECT UPDATES**

**Low Level Road Improvement Project:** On June 13, City of North Vancouver Council made a decision not to proceed with the Low Level Road Improvement Project as proposed. Port Metro Vancouver is assessing the possible implications of Council’s decision to proceed with only a portion of the proposed project, particularly for the necessary port and rail efficiency improvements. Once this assessment is complete, the funding partners will decide whether to proceed with the overpass on its own, or whether to cancel the entire \$100 million project.

**Container Capacity Improvement Program:** Pre-consultation regarding the proposed Roberts Bank Terminal 2 project is currently underway. This early round of consultation asks communities, stakeholders and the public what they would like to be consulted about, and how they would like to be consulted going forward. Consultation materials, including the Pre-Consultation Discussion Guide and a feedback form, are available online. Consultation feedback is being accepted until June 30, 2011.

**South Shore Corridor Project: Preliminary planning and design work has begun on the South Shore Corridor Project** (formerly called Stewart Street Elevated Structure), designed to reduce road and rail conflicts and improve transportation access and reliability for businesses operating within the Port. The project, proposed from Heatley Avenue to McGill Street, will include a new elevated road over Stewart Street between Clark Drive and Victoria Avenue to eliminate 10 at-grade rail crossings. Port Metro Vancouver is currently finalizing a Project Definition Report for the elevated road and continues to engage in project-related discussions with port terminal and railway stakeholders and adjacent residents. A formal community consultation process will begin in the Fall.



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## TRADE AND BUSINESS

**Labour update:** Contract talks continue between the BCMEA and ILWU (Foremen) Local 514 bargaining committees. Port Metro Vancouver is not involved in these talks. Port Metro Vancouver handles \$200 million worth of cargo every day. Please visit the [BCMEA website](#) and the [ILWU Canada website](#) for more information. In May, the BCMEA and ILWU (Longshore) ratified an eight-year Collective Agreement that is in effect until March 31, 2018. Long term stability and reliability is critical to the success of the Vancouver Gateway. We hope this agreement will create an environment in which to develop a more collaborative and constructive working relationship between labour and employer. [Read more.](#)

**Fraser River dredging season underway:** Port Metro Vancouver's 2011 maintenance [dredging program](#) commenced on June 20, conducted by [Fraser River Pile & Dredge](#). Dredging of the lower Fraser River maintains the depth of key shipping channels and allows commercial vessels to safely access port facilities. Dredging will continue daily until March 1, 2012 with a short break at Christmas.

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**Air monitoring in Delta:** As part of the [Deltaport Third Berth project](#), Port Metro Vancouver funded a real-time air monitoring station in Tsawwassen in 2010. Metro Vancouver implemented and monitors the station as part of their [regional air quality network](#). The station includes state-of-the-art technology and measures six different pollutants, including carbon monoxide, ozone and particulate matter. [View the air quality readings.](#) (Click anywhere within the inset map of Metro Vancouver to zoom in, then select Tsawwassen.)



**Ram Chungh, Community Relations Coordinator**

**Customer Service Profile, Ram Chungh:** Port Metro Vancouver is pleased to introduce Ram Chungh, Community Relations Coordinator. Ram began her career at PMV in 2007 as a Community Relations Representative, providing presentations on the Port's business, history and environmental initiatives and educating the public at [community events](#) in our neighbouring municipalities. In 2010, Ram took on her current role and is now responsible for training and providing functional guidance to the Community Relations team, maintaining relationships with key contacts for sponsored community events throughout the Lower Mainland and organizing and promoting the Port's presence at these events. Ram also manages the Port's [Education Outreach program](#), which supports educating school and community groups through presentations about the Port. To learn more about the Port's [Community Relations](#) or Education Outreach Programs, please [contact Ram](#).



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**Annual Port Gala a success:**

The 12th annual Port Gala, held on June 7, was attended by a record 330 members and guests of the port community. In total, \$170,000 was raised for [Mission Possible](#) (Vancouver), the [Harvest Project](#) (North Shore) and the [South Fraser Women's Services Society](#) (Surrey). With the success of this year's event, the Port Gala has raised \$950,000 over the past 12 years for local charities.



**Port Gala 2011 (L-R):** Matt Hoag, DP World; Robin Silvester, Port Metro Vancouver; Rupi Sahota, South Fraser Women's Services Society (one of the three benefiting charities of the Port Gala); Jeff Scott, Fraser Surrey Docks; Brad Eshleman, Western Stevedoring; and Eric Waltz, GCT.

**This month at Canada's largest port:**

The *Lady Washington* is the most famous of four North American replica sailing ships featured in the inaugural [Ships to Shore festival](#) in Steveston in early June. The *Lady Washington* was commissioned in Aberdeen, Washington State in 1986 and resembles an 18th century rig from Boston. Her first voyage to British Columbia was in 1991 when she visited Vancouver and Sooke. Two years later, she made her movie debut in *Star Trek: Generations*. Recently, the *Lady Washington* starred as the *HMS Interceptor* in the movie *Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl*.



*The Lady Washington sails off Garry Point in Richmond during the 2011 Ships to Shore Steveston festival.*

**QUICK LINKS:**

- View the [Container Services Berth Window Schedule](#), last updated May 19, 2011.
- Access the Port's [eNewsletter archive](#).
- Stay up-to-date with the [Port's latest projects](#).
- Email [Customer Service](#) for Trade or Business Development inquiries.
- Visit the [Opportunities](#) section of our website for [career information](#) and answers to [frequently asked questions](#).

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