The recent successes of the Port of Longview have translated into an economic boom for local businesses.

Infrastructure improvements directly benefit the local economy.

In the past six years local businesses have seen a dramatic surge in revenues due to cargo operations at the Port. Using data from an economic impact study conducted last year, the Port found it had generated a record $679 million in direct business revenue and re-spending within our community—an increase of 53% since 2012. To put it simply, this means that people with jobs tied to the Port are buying lots of things and, more importantly, they're buying them locally.

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The economic impact study also revealed the Port's influence stretches far beyond the county line. Last year, our total value to the region was measured at $2.8 billion, underscoring the importance of the Port to the financial well-being of our community. This is the combined total of direct business revenue, the re-spending of that same money in the community (also known as local consumption) and the related financial benefits to the State created by the movement of cargo.

For nearly 100 years the Port of Longview has drawn customers from around the globe, bringing new employment opportunities and enhancing our quality of life. We're proud to be part of the local landscape and a source of support that anchors thousands of families, businesses and schools throughout Cowlitz County.

We're proud to be your Port.

The Port of Longview benefits the area economy by creating thousands of jobs related to cargo activity, but infrastructure improvements at our main facility are also an important part of the puzzle. To that end, the Port is nearing completion of its Berth 6 Stormwater Containment Project which, when complete, will greatly increase the amount of stormwater the Port can treat at one of its most heavily-used docks.

When the Port and its partners invest in infrastructure, we create jobs, hire skilled labor and make purchases of all kinds from local businesses. From office and industrial supplies, wiring, rebar and everything in between, a thriving and constantly changing Port relies heavily on businesses right here in our hometown. In other words, when the Port succeeds, so too do our local businesses!