

WASHINGTON STATE
BOARD OF PILOTAGE COMMISSIONERS
MEETING AGENDA

January 15, 2026

2901 3rd Avenue, Seattle, WA 98121 – 5th Floor Orca Conference Room
and

Via Teams #206.531.0324, participation code: 832235581#

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(Public comment accepted at the discretion of the Chair and prior to the end of the meeting)

1100 hours **Call to order** **REGULAR MEETING**

1. BPC Staff Report
2. BPC Chair Report
3. Activity Reports (5 minutes each)
 - a. Pacific Merchant Shipping Association (PMSA)
 - b. The Northwest Seaport Alliance (NWSA)
 - c. Puget Sound Pilots (PSP)
 - d. Port of Grays Harbor (PGH)
 - e. U.S. Coast Guard (USCG)

NEW BUSINESS (Public comment accepted)

4. Marine Exchange of Puget Sound: Presentation from Executive Director Patrick Gallagher
5. Pilot's Report of Incident
 - a. *PACIFIC CHAMP* 10/24/2024 GH
 - b. *YM NAVIGATOR* 12/26/2025 PS
6. Board Action – MSOs
 - a. *TERMINAL CRANES (T4)* 11/09/2025 PS
 - b. *TERMINAL CRANES (T4)* 11/16/2025 PS
 - c. *MATSON KODIAK* 11/14/2025 PS
 - d. *PINE ARROW* 12/02/2025 PS
 - e. *MIDNIGHT SUN* 01/02/2026 PS
7. Board Action – November 20 Regular Meeting Minutes & November 12 Special Meeting Minutes
8. Board Action – Committee Recommendations:
 - a. Trainee Evaluation Committee (TEC)
 - i. Board Action – Pilot License Upgrade Program: Captains Ekermann, Sturgell & Mancini
 - ii. Other Committee Updates
 - b. Pilot Exam Committee (PEC)
 - i. Board Action – WA State Marine Pilot Exam Applicants
 - ii. Rulemaking: WAC 363-116-083 *Written examination protest and appeal procedures* and WAC 363-116-084 *Simulator evaluation protest and appeal procedures* – Public Hearing February 19, 2026
 - iii. Other Committee Updates

- c. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee (DEIC)
 - i. Board Action – Committee Membership
 - ii. Possible Board Action – Conference Sponsorships
 - ii. Other Committee Updates

1230 15-MINUTE BREAK

- 9. Board Action – Request for Vessel Exemption:
 - a. Passenger Vessel *VICTORIA CLIPPER V* Renewal (168FT, 910 GT)
- 10. Board Action – Pilot/Trainee Physical Examination Reports
- 11. Tug Escort Rulemaking – Implementation
- 12. 2026 Legislative Update
- 13. Process for Review of Authorized Number of Pilots WAC 363-116-065
- 14. Committee & Work Group Reports:
 - a. Oil Transportation Safety Committee (OTSC)
 - b. Pilot Safety Committee (PSC)
 - c. Pilotage Act Advisory Committee (PAAC)
 - d. Terminal Operations Work Group (TOWG)

- 15. Upcoming Meeting Dates:

Thursday, February 19, 2026 at 1100 – Regular Meeting (Hybrid – Teams/2901 Building)	Thursday, March 19, 2026 at 1100 – Regular Meeting (Hybrid – Teams/2901 Building)
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- 16. Public Comment
- 17. Adjourn