

Honoring departed veterans...



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A small ceremony took place at Village Green Park on Saturday, August 8, when family members gathered to honor and remember their deceased military veterans by placing a metal nameplate on the Sisters Veterans Memorial. Family members present for the occasion were the Dagenhardt family, the Fred Ast family, the Frank Engstrom family, and Leslee McHugh to honor and remember Robert Larson. American Legion and VFW members present were Lance Trowbridge, John Ferguson, Art Buell, John Miller, Roger Mackenstadt and Don Shurtleff.

EPA: Withhold permit for oil-by-rail terminal

VANCOUVER, Wash. (AP) — Environmentalists opposed to the construction of the nation’s largest oil-by-rail terminal on the Columbia River in Vancouver say it could be a “game-changer” that two federal agencies have recently expressed concerns about the project, but the companies behind the plan say they believe they can address them.

In a letter last week, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency said the plans for the terminal do not comply with the federal Clean Water Act, and that a key permit for the project should be withheld until its risks are addressed, *The Columbian* newspaper reported. The National Park Service sent its own letter citing concerns just days earlier.

“I think that this could be a game-changer,” said Lauren Goldberg, staff attorney Columbia Riverkeeper, an organization opposed to the project. “I think the fact that two other federal agencies are weighing in with significant concerns ... should and will change the discussion around how the federal government is going to decide whether to issue permits or not.”

Tesoro Corp. and Savage Cos. hope to build a terminal that would handle an average of 360,000 barrels of crude oil per day. The oil would arrive by rail and leave by ship.

The Army Corps of Engineers is considering whether to grant a key permit for work to be done in the river. In its letter, the EPA raised numerous concerns,

including the risk of oil spills, and said proposed mitigation measures “may not be adequate.” It also noted that the potential impact area for the project includes nearly 1,500 miles of railroad track in Washington, as well as the entire Columbia River downstream of Vancouver and marine areas off the coast.

The National Park Service also expressed worries about natural and cultural sites — including Fort Vancouver National Historic Site — along the route that would carry oil to and from the Vancouver terminal. The park service also raised concerns about climate change and suggested emissions from the facility could accelerate the loss of glaciers at Glacier National Park in Montana.

The companies plan to address the concerns during an ongoing state review of the project, said Tesoro spokeswoman Jennifer Minx.

“We are confident that the proposed terminal can be designed, constructed and operated in a safe and environmentally responsible manner,” Minx said in an email.

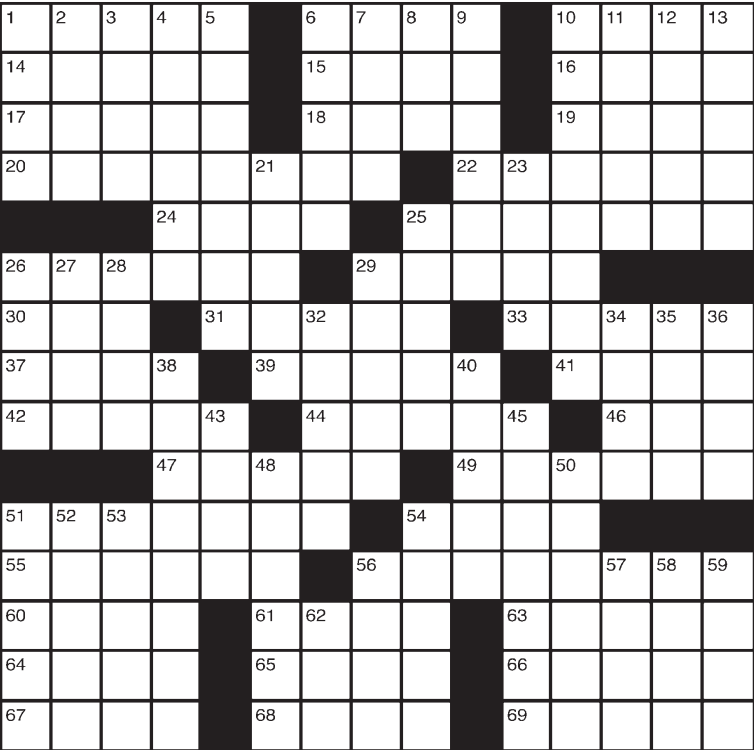
The Tesoro-Savage terminal would receive crude from the Bakken oil fields of North Dakota. As many as four full trains would arrive per day. The oil would then be transferred to ships and sent down the Columbia River en route to other West Coast facilities.

The project is being reviewed by the state Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council. That panel will make a recommendation to Washington’s governor.

The Nugget Newspaper Crossword

By Jacqueline E. Mathews, Tribune News Service

- ACROSS**
- 1 Luxuriously thick and soft
6 Paper fastener
10 Left open a bit
14 Vital artery
15 First name for a Frenchman
16 ___ pops; soft drinks
17 Located near the center
18 Actor George
19 Hosiery woe
20 Abandoned
22 Cold period in history
24 Passed away
25 Combs & ___; stylist’s items
26 Become sicker
29 Sword fights
30 Sorority letter
31 Tribal pole
33 “Annabel Lee” and “Trees”
37 Feels sick
39 Freeway entrances
41 Metal bar
42 ___ bear; white Arctic creature
44 True-blue
46 Glide down snowy slopes
47 Sour fruit
49 Talented
51 Age for a girl’s quinceañera
54 Minimum ___; lowest salary allowed by law
55 Floating freely
56 Jumble
60 Three-___ salad
61 Made fun of
63 Off the ___; no longer being considered
64 Walkway
65 ___ up; form a row
66 Actress Burstyn
67 Antlered animals
68 Astonish
69 Requirements
- DOWN**
- 1 ___ for; bought
2 “The ___ Star State”; Texas
3 Fancy vases
4 Spirited horses
5 Mrs. Ozzie Nelson
6 Raise dogs for sale or show
7 Enjoy a book
8 “Heart ___ Soul”
9 Want
10 Property value determiner
11 Whale’s lunch?
12 Old saying
13 Hits the ceiling
21 Singing voice
23 Actor Robert
25 Not smooth
26 Envelop
27 Midwest state
28 ___ the dice; take a chance
29 Speed ___; one who drives fast
32 Claw
34 Direction



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— Last Week’s Puzzle Solved —

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- 35 Voice amplifier
36 Went down a fire pole
38 Soda crackers
40 Long stories
43 Rocky ridge
45 Illuminate
48 Iron & copper
50 Girl or woman
- 51 Story by Aesop
52 Perfect
53 Candid
54 Expand
56 List of dishes
57 Up to the task
58 Toboggan
59 Clucking birds
62 Peach stone

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