

# Oregon denies key permit for Ambre Energy coal terminal in Boardman

SALEM — The Oregon Department of State Lands (DSL) has denied a removal-fill permit for the Coyote Island coal terminal at the Port of Morrow near Boardman in Eastern Oregon.

The \$242 million project proposed by Australia-based Ambre Energy was supported by construction trades unions because of the jobs it would have created. Amber Energy had signed a letter of understanding with both the Pendleton Building Trades

Council and the Columbia Pacific Building Trades Council to perform all construction work with union labor.

Ambre Energy planned to use the dock to load 8.8 million tons of coal annually from Wyoming and Colorado onto covered barges and ship it down the Columbia River to Port Westward near Clatskanie. There it would be unloaded and then transferred onto ocean-going vessels headed to Asia.

DSL denied the permit after concluding the project is “not consistent with the protection, conservation and best use of the state’s water resources, and that the applicant did not provide sufficient analysis of alternatives that would avoid construction of a new dock and impacts on tribal fisheries.”

The Morrow Pacific project requires permits from both the state and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. It had already received three permits through the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality. It cannot go forward without all permits in place.

DSL issued its denial Aug. 18. Ambre has 21 days to appeal the decision, Ambre reportedly is leaning in that direction.



## NECA/IBEW Training Center's Bridget Quinn wins award

Bridget Quinn, NECA/IBEW Training Center's Workforce Development Coordinator, has won the Daily Journal of Commerce's Women of Vision Award.

The awards recognize women in Oregon and Southwest Washington who work in architecture, engineering, construction and other building industry fields.

“To win this award during its inaugural year is a huge compliment,” said Quinn. “I’m very touched that my co-workers nominated me for this honor.”

Quinn works with prospective apprentice applicants, including women and minority candidates, providing them information and guidance about how to access apprenticeship, improve qualifications and access related job options that best improve candidate qualifications.

Quinn is a graduate of the electrical apprentice program, and currently holds a general journey level electrical license.

“Bridget has helped improve our workforce by implementing a variety of recruitment methods, tool training workshops and weeklong intro to construction classes at the NIETC that has increased women and minority enrollments into the program,” said Tim Gauthier, NECA executive manager.

When she's not at work, Quinn volunteers with NORSAR (North Oregon Regional Search and Rescue) with her AirScent Wilderness Search Dog, Rowan. She assists federal, state, county and local emergency personnel on searches for lost hikers and others who go missing, get injured or killed while outdoors. Quinn is currently director of Search and Rescue personnel.

## Machinists to host golf fundraiser for guide dogs

The 26th annual Machinists District W24 golf tournament benefiting Guide Dogs of America will be held Monday, Sept. 8 at Heron Lakes Golf Club in Portland.

Registration begins at 7 a.m., with a shotgun start at 8:30 a.m. Entry fee is \$125 per person.

Hole sponsorships are still available, ranging from \$250 to \$1,000.

For more information, contact John Hall at 503-449-0969, John Kleiboeker at 503-863-7304, or Stacy Breunig at 503-702-9879.



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