

<b>ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY WATER RESOURCES</b>	Policy No.: 7.4.16
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### **1. PURPOSE**

The Port of Portland recognizes that while serving its public mission, it has an impact on the very resources it relies on to support that mission in the future. The Port takes a proactive approach to water conservation and protection of water quality where it has control, and encourage protection of water resources within the broader region where it has influence.

This policy establishes the framework for considering protection of water resources in Port decision-making.

### **2. PERSONS AFFECTED**

This policy applies to all Port employees and those working on behalf of the Port.

### **3. POLICY STATEMENT**

The Port will strive to conserve and protect water resources impacted by its operations and activities. The Port will employ an integrated approach to water resource management with a goal to balance human welfare, economic prosperity and healthy ecosystems.

The Port will:

- Identify the impacts of operations, land management and development activities on the water resource and consider alternatives that avoid or minimize adverse impacts;
- Apply a holistic approach for sustainable water management that considers all available sources of water as a potential resource;
- Ensure that Port activities are protective of the public water supply through promotion and implementation of water conservation measures;
- Seek and implement innovative practices that avoid or minimize the discharge of pollutants from Port activities to surface water and groundwater; and
- Encourage and facilitate partnerships, education and outreach to assist customers, tenants and stakeholders in protecting and conserving water resources;

### **4. DEFINITIONS**

Not applicable

**5. RELATED POLICIES, PROCEDURES, AND GUIDELINES**

- 5.1 Commission Policy 6.1.11, *Environmental*
- 5.2 Policy 7.4.18, *Air Quality*
- 5.3 Policy 7.4.20, *Energy Resources*
- 5.4 Policy 7.4.11, *Natural Resources*
- 5.5 Policy 7.4.12, *Waste Minimization*
- 5.6 Environmental Management System Manual

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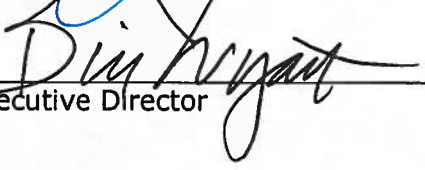
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