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Dear Ms. Francis,

On June 17, 2022, the Coast Guard issued a Preliminary Navigation Clearance Determination (PNCD) that identified 178 feet above zero Columbia River Datum (CRD) as the minimum vertical clearance for the Interstate Bridge Replacement (IBR) Program, also known as the Portland to Vancouver 1-5 twin bridges.

Based on evaluation of the revised Interstate Bridge Replacement Project Navigation Impact Report submitted in October 2025, the drawbridge logs for the existing bridge, and public comments, the Coast Guard has decided to revise its 2022 PNCD. Any proposed new bridge shall have a vertical navigation clearance of greater than or equal to 116 feet above zero CRD.

A preliminary navigation clearance determination does not constitute an approval or final agency action. A final agency action will be made in accordance with all applicable regulations after submission of a complete bridge permit application.

This determination is valid for three (3) years from the date of this correspondence.

Sincerely,

Brian L. Dunn
Chief, Office of Bridge Programs
By direction

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