

Port Of Brownsville

NOTIFICATION OF INTENT TO OBTAIN CUSTODY.

The Port Of Brownsville is providing Notification of Intent to Obtain Custody in accordance with RCW 79.100, for the vessel, a 1966 38-ft. Chris Craft, Washington Registration WN 503DZ, Hull Identification number SXC380002. Subject vessel has been declared abandoned because it meets the definition of a derelict/abandoned vessel as described in RCW 79.100.010.

Port Of Brownsville, acting as an authorized public entity with the authority granted in RCW 79.100, intends to take custody of the above named vessel on **27 April 2012**. Once custody of the vessel is obtained, the Port of Brownsville is authorized to use or dispose of any appropriate and environmentally sound manner without further notice to the owner.

In order for the owner to retain custody of the vessel, the owner must pay to the Port of Brownsville handling and storage, and salvage fees and remove the vessel from Port property. If the owner wishes to redeem the vessel once Port Of Brownsville has taken custody per RCW 53.08.320(5) the owner must commence legal action to contest the Port of Brownsville's decision to obtain custody of the vessel, or the amount of reimbursement owed, in the superior court of the county in which the vessel was located. Legal action must commence within ten days of losing custody or the owner's right to a hearing is waived and owner will be liable for any costs owed to Port Of Brownsville.

The costs the owner may be liable for include, but are not limited to, costs incurred exercising the authority granted in RCW 79.100.030, all administrative costs incurred by Port Of Brownsville during the procedure set forth in RCW 79.100.040, removal and disposal costs associated with environmental damage directly or indirectly caused by the vessel.

For more information regarding this action, contact Port Of Brownsville, 360-692-5498.