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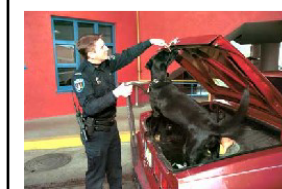
The International Mobility and Trade Corridor Project



IMTC Project participants identify and promote improvements to the transportation and inspection systems of the **Cascade Gateway** with the goal of increasing cross-border mobility, safety, and security.



The Cascade Gateway



IMTC Coalition

Transportation
 US FHWA ♦ Transport Canada ♦ WA State DOT ♦ BC Ministry of Transportation ♦ BC TransLink ♦ BNSF Railroad ♦ Amtrak ♦ Port of Bellingham ♦ Port of Vancouver

Inspection
 US Customs & Border Protection ♦ Canada Border Services Agency

Industry
 WA Trucking ♦ BC Trucking ♦ Brokerages ♦ Duty Free ♦ NW Motorcoach Assoc. ♦ Tourism Vancouver

Municipalities
 Whatcom County, WA ♦ Surrey & Abbotsford, BC ♦ Bellingham, Blaine, Lynden & Sumas, WA

NGOs
 Regional Chambers ♦ Vancouver Board of Trade ♦ Cascadia Center ♦ Cascadia Institute ♦ Pacific Corridor Enterprise Council

Other Governmental
 Whatcom Council of Governments ♦ US & Canadian Consulates ♦ US GSA ♦ State, Provincial, & Federal legislators

IMTC Objectives

- Infrastructure**
- Improve border crossing approach roads and rail.
 - Improve north-south and east-west corridor connections.
 - Integrate ITS.
- Planning & Data**
- Collect needed data.
 - Promote system management of the Cascade Gateway.
 - Determine feasibility of rail and transit options.
- Operations, Policy & Staffing**
- Promote the US – Canada Smart Border Declaration.
 - Increase US border staffing.
 - Improve traffic management at the Pacific Highway & Sumas ports-of-entry.
 - Support NEXUS & FAST.
 - Explore options for binational financing.
 - Promote the adoption of passenger-rail pre-clearance under Canada's 1999 Pre-Clearance Act.

IMTC Financial Partners

- US Funding Sources:**
- Federal Highway Administration – Coordinated Border Infrastructure Program.
 - Washington State.
 - Port of Bellingham.
 - Cities: Blaine, Sumas, & Lynden, WA.
- Canadian Funding Sources:**
- Federal Strategic Highway Infrastructure Program.
 - Province of British Columbia.
 - Cities: White Rock, Surrey, & Abbotsford, BC.

IMTC Results

- Joint project selection & funding partnerships**
- ♦ Cross-border travel demand survey ♦ NEXUS program marketing ♦ Truck pre-clearance system deployments ♦ Advanced Traveler Information System ♦ Cross-border Rail Study ♦ Cross-border regional traffic model ♦ NEXUS lane extensions ♦ Abbotsford-Sumas border improvement project ♦ Dedicated truck, FAST lane ♦ Weigh-in-motion installation. ♦ Short Sea Shipping Study ♦
- Coordinated, regional response to the Smart Border Declaration**
 ATIS installations, FAST lane infrastructure, NEXUS support.
- Integrated, BC-WA & U.S.-Canada project oversight & delivery.**
- Highly developed forum positioned to continue advancing system optimization.**

