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## **Seaway @ 60yrs!** Shipping Economic Benefits

The Great Lakes and St.
Lawrence River have served as major North American trade arteries for over 300 years. The St. Lawrence Seaway opened to navigation in 1959. Its 306km section between Montreal and Lake Ontario, contains 7 locks (5 Canadian and 2 USA) which lift vessels to 75m above sea level. The Seaway exemplifies the spirit of co-operation between two nations.

In 2020, the St. Lawrence Seaway will have shipped 3B MT of cargo since opening in 1959 and is a testament to the vital role the Seaway plays in connecting the heart of North America to over 50 trading nations around the globe.

The Great Lakes–St.
Lawrence region covers a massive geographic footprint, and is a major driver of the North American economy.
With economic output estimated at US\$6 trillion in 2017, the region accounts for 30% of combined Canadian and U.S. economic activity and 52 million jobs. The 8 states and 2 provinces that border the Great Lakes-St.
Lawrence Seaway have a



Offloading bauxite from the Federal Mayumi. Photo by PT. Sept. 2019

massive economic impact which represents over half of Canada/USA cross-border trade. A multitude of maritime service providers work to ensure the safe, reliable and efficient transport of cargo. These include: stevedores, warehouse employees, freight forwarders, dockworkers, crane operators, vessel agents, dredging contractors, marine pilots, truck drivers and port rail operators, tugboat operators and shipyard workers.

The Great Lakes-St Lawrence Seaway is a 3700km marine highway that carries over 200M MT of cargo annually. Taken from:

http://www.greatlakes-seaway.com

#HwyH2O

Federal St. Laurent on her maiden voyage, at Picton Terminals!



Year built 2019
Flag Marshall Is
Length (LOA) 199.98 m
Beam (width) 23.88 m
Gross Tonnage 20763 t
Dead Weight 34492 t

PT's welcomes visitors to join us to watch and photograph ships but please check in with us first.

Please note: for Safety and Security of all personnel,

No Unauthorized Access is permitted.

Trespassers will be prosecuted.

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#### Trade and Transportation Corridors Initiative

The Trade and Transportation Corridors Initiative was announced in November 2016 and detailed in the Government of Canada Budget 2017. The Government of Canada will invest \$10.1 billion over the next 11 years into trade and transportation projects. The investment will build stronger, more efficient transportation corridors to international markets and help Canadian businesses compete, grow and create more jobs for Canada's middle class

The investment contributes to the Transportation 2030 goals which include modernizing Canadian transportation infrastructure (roads, bridges, airports, rail lines, port facilities and trade corridors).

#### **National Trade Corridors Fund (NTCF)**

The \$2 billion National Trade Corridors Fund is one component of the \$180 billion *Investing in Canada Plan*. The Government of Canada is addressing long-term infrastructure needs in Canada and supporting middle-class growth and well-paying jobs by supporting the quality of Canada's transportation infrastructure and the efficiency of the country's trade corridors. This support is key to the success of Canadian firms in the global marketplace.

The NTCF helps fund infrastructure projects in Canada including work to airports, ports, rail yards, transportation facilities and access roads.

#### Recent investments include:

- \$6M at the Port of Sarnia for a new docking facility to move oversized loads between the transport trucking and marine shipping industries.
- \$18.5M at the Port of Montréal to increase transport efficiency, capacity, and security by reducing waiting times and bottlenecks for container movements.
- \$5.5M at the Port of Hamilton to create additional export capacity for agricultural products.

Read more here: www.tc.gc.ca

## What's next @PT?

- MECP approved PT Interim Action Plan Phase 2 stormwater mgmnt plan.
- Application for *final* **stormwater mgmnt plan** awaits MECP Approval.
- **Tugboat** Sheri Lynn S crew are working on the Wolfe Is. Ferry dock (winter dock).
- Completed YGK **Kingston airport** expansion job **video coming soon!**
- Operate Station 4170 MarineTraffic Picton Terminals
- Operate NEW MarineTraffic Station 4324 Nicholsons Point
- Monitoring fish in **DFO-approved Fish Habitat** for 2 years.
- PT Zoning application submitted to **PEC Planning**; Public Meeting Oct 24, 2019.

### Did you know.....

#### **Ontario College of Trades**

The Ontario College of Trades is an industry-driven, professional regulatory body that protects the public by regulating and promoting the skilled trades. Read more here: <a href="www.collegeoftrades.ca">www.collegeoftrades.ca</a>

One of the main responsibilities of the College is to ensure that individuals performing the skills of compulsory trades have the training and certification required to legally practice this trade in Ontario.

Creating an institution to govern all skilled trades was the principal recommendation made by Tim Armstrong in his report on the Compulsory Certification Project submitted in 2008, following extensive input from employers, employees and representatives of the skilled trades.

PT shore crane operators were visited and approved by the Ontario College of Trades in Sept2019. PT crane operators received training at the Liebherr Training Ctre, Port of Miami in Spring2019.