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Port receives \$1.25 million federal seaport security grant

Port of Portland will receive \$1.25 million from the federal Port Security Grant Program to upgrade marine terminal security systems.

Through the Area Maritime Security Committee, the Port successfully applied for and received the funding to rebuild key components of security systems at marine Terminals 4 and 6. Specifically, the funding will go toward renewing antiquated closed circuit television cameras and systems, and overhauling access control systems at terminal gates. Portland is one of 33 U.S. ports to receive grant funds awarded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

The Port's Terminal 4 on the Willamette River facilitates auto imports and shipping of mineral bulks. The multi-use Terminal 6 on the Columbia River facilitates auto imports and exports, and houses container facilities with five berths and eight rail tracks.

"We greatly appreciate this support from FEMA, allowing us to upgrade our marine security systems to protect these vital business assets for our community," said Vince Granato, Port chief operating officer.

Funded at \$100 million, the FY 2017 Port Security Grant Program directly supports maritime transportation infrastructure security activities. The program is one tool in the comprehensive set of measures authorized by Congress and implemented by the Administration to strengthen the nation's critical infrastructure against risks associated with potential terrorist attacks.

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