Port of St. Helens

Community Profile

- County: Columbia
- City: Columbia City
- Population: 1,945

Assignment

- Organization: Port of St. Helens
- Supervisor: Craig Allison
- RARE Member: Warren Clauss

About the Port of St. Helens

Port of St. Helens is a special district focused on the creation and sustainment of jobs, primarily through the use of transportation infrastructure, land sales and leases, and access to bond finance. The Port of St. Helens’ mission is not only recruiting new businesses but also helping industries that currently exist. The Port of St. Helens works with numerous businesses as Port tenants that provide hundreds full time jobs. Approximately 2,600 acres of property split between a general aviation airpark, a public marina, and a combination of light and heavy industrial zoned sites exist within the Port’s boundaries.

Warren Clauss is placed with the Port of St. Helens and will carry out an array of planning activities. Specifically, he will use GIS to develop a more sophisticated mapping of Port properties for marketing and development efforts; provide vital assistance with the complex permitting process needed for further development of the Port Marina; assist with compiling various grants; and, help address an increasing need to develop more robust Emergency Management Plans.

Meet Warren Clauss

Warren received his Bachelor of Science in Urban Planning and Public Administration with minors in Historic Preservation and Community Planning from the College of Charleston. After attaining his Bachelor’s degree, Warren interned with Renew Urban Charleston, where he researched properties, assisted with architectural design projects, and assisted with on-side construction. Warren applied to the RARE Program hoping to increase his experience with new environments and to interact with new people in addition to developing his skills and contributing to the field of urban planning. Following his year with the RARE Program, Warren hopes to apply his knowledge and skills in the non-profit field.