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The world's largest manufacturer of wood fence boards utilizes the Port of Lewiston to store and transport its raw materials.

Luke Machtolf, a forester with Alta Forest Products, said Lewiston is an important fiber-sourcing location for the company "because it's located near productive forestlands in the area and along a river system which provides a great method of transport."

"The Port of Lewiston provides the log-yard space and river-docking access for storing and loading barges with logs," he added. "We very much appreciate doing business with the Port of Lewiston. They are a key partner in our ability to conduct business in the area and have been very accommodating to our needs."

Alta has been a lessee of the Port of Lewiston since the spring of 2019.



"The Port of Lewiston has been very supportive of our business and is a great partner in our efforts to transport logs on the Columbia/Snake River systems," Machtolf said. "The Snake River (and Columbia River) dam system is critical to our ability in transporting logs to our mill in western Washington.

"Without the dam system, this vitally important method of transporting our raw materials would not be possible," he added. "The dam system provides an economical and environmentally responsible method for transportation of our logs by reducing transport cost and minimizing the amount of trucks on the highway, resulting in less traffic, fuel consumption, exhaust, etcetera.

"It's important that people are aware of how vital the river system is to local commerce and our economy."

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COLUMBIA-SNAKE RIVER SYSTEM

- **No. 1 WHEAT EXPORT** river gateway in the nation
- **1/3 OF PACIFIC NORTHWEST** wheat exports come from Snake River grain terminals
- **> 150K SEMI-TRUCKS** would be needed to move the annual cargo barged on the Snake River
- **1:134 RATIO OF BARGES** to semi-trucks that would be needed to haul same amount of wheat
- **56 MILLION TONS** of international trade in 2018
- **\$23 BILLION** in cargo value

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