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**PORT OF WALLA WALLA STARTS RECYCLING PROGRAM
AT AIRPORT TERMINAL BUILDING**

Port of Walla Walla Commission President Dr. Fred Bennett announced today the Port of Walla Walla has started a recycling program at the Walla Walla Regional Airport Terminal Building.

The Port has invested in new easily identifiable recycling bins which have been placed in a prominent location in the airport terminal building to encourage recycling. The Port plans on recycling aluminum cans, paper and plastic.

Each year some 60,000 passengers pass through the airport terminal building departing or returning on Horizon airplanes. "We believe there is a great opportunity to recycle a significant amount of cans, paper and plastic from passengers utilizing the airport terminal building," said Commissioner Bennett. Horizon Air will also utilize the recycling bins as they collect newspapers and cans during flights into Walla Walla as part of their company recycling program.

Commencing on October 28, 2008 Horizon will be serving the Walla Walla market with their 76 passenger Q-400 aircraft. It will replace the 37 passenger Dash-8.

The Port of Walla Walla is governed by three elected Commissioners, Fred Bennett; Paul Schneidmiller and Mike Fredrickson. The Port was founded in 1952 and is the lead economic development agency for Walla Walla County. The Port has been the recipient of the Port of the Year award by the Washington Public Ports Association for its leadership in enhancing the economic vitality of Southeastern Washington.