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Kennicott to Replace Columbia Sailings on Oct. 7

Due to mechanical damage to the MV Columbia's starboard propeller system, the *MV Kennicott* has been rescheduled to sail in place of *MV Columbia* through Nov. 13. Beginning Oct. 7, the *MV Kennicott* will sail the Bellingham, Wash. to Southeast Alaska route. The revised schedule can be seen here:

- [KennicottScheduleFall2016.pdf](#)

AMHS staff is contacting affected passengers. Service notices may be found at dot.alaska.gov/amhs/service_notices.shtml or by contacting your local terminal by dialing 1-907-465-3941 or toll-free at 1-800-642-0066.

MV Columbia entered drydock in Portland, Oregon Sept. 27 to inspect the starboard propeller for damage. It was discovered that mechanisms associated with the propeller system are damaged and will require immediate repair. The estimated time for repair is four to five weeks.

MV Kennicott was previously scheduled to complete its summer schedule October 3 and then enter cost-savings layup status for the remainder of the year. The ferry normally sails Bellingham, Wash. to Whittier, Alaska.

MV Kennicott offers similar passenger capacity but operates at a slower speed and carries less vehicles than the *MV Columbia*. The sailing schedule has been revised to account for the slower speed. *MV Columbia* passengers will be rebooked on to the *MV Kennicott* to the extent possible. Service to Prince Rupert, British Columbia on the *MV Matanuska* is another alternative travelers may consider.