NEXT Renewable Fuels announces property purchase at Port Westward

Renewable diesel company buys land from Teevin Bros. in Clatskanie with plans to establish new refinery

NEXT Renewable Fuels announced Thursday, Feb. 21 that the company has agreed to purchase a 25-acre parcel at the Port of Columbia County’s Port Westward Industrial Park. NEXT, a renewable diesel producer, has been scouting a suitable development site at Port Westward for a renewable fuels facility since 2018. The land at the industrial park is owned by Teevin Bros., a Columbia County-based material handling and timber company, according to NEXT.

"We are extremely pleased to be working with the Teevin team on our renewable diesel project and happy to have secured the land that will allow us to start filing permits," Lou Soumas, president of NEXT Renewable Fuels, stated in a news release Thursday.

The company recently announced it secured a contract with Shell to supply Shell with renewable diesel products from a site at Port Westward.

NEXT says it will supply the west coast with a product it calls "advanced green diesel," that will cut emissions by the equivalent of 1 million vehicles.

The site is scheduled to open in 2021 and employ an estimated 200 workers.