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Dave Mandt, managing director of Professional Claim and Loss Consulting, enjoys his office space at Satsop Development Park.

Reliable, secure internet access draws businesses to seek office space at Satsop

When you're working on specialized tools for Boeing or preparing documents for insurance litigation, you want to know that your internet connection is reliable and secure.

That reliability and security is part of what drew Dave Mandt, and Craig Neidig to rent small office spaces at Satsop Development Park.

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"I like the fact that everything out here is triple redundant," said Dave Mandt, managing director of Professional Claim and Loss Consulting, which offers litigation support and claim adjustment services to individuals,

insurance companies and law firms. "When I was looking for office space I wanted good infrastructure not only for security purposes but also for business continuity," he said.

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Mandt, who with his wife recently moved to Grays Harbor from Issaquah, is living temporarily in Ocean Shores but is set to build a new residence in Montesano.

He said as he looked for office space that was quiet, convenient and close to Montesano, Satsop rose to the top of the list.

Craig Neidig's story is similar. A tool engineer for Boeing, who is also from Issaquah, Neidig and his wife are building a retirement home in Oakville.

"Having an office here where I can supervise the building of the house is a lot handier than driving all the way to Renton!" Neidig said.

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Office Space *(continued)*

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While the completion of his new house is a couple of years away, Neidig likes having this alternative location to conduct business



while he's working on the house.

"This allows me to be on site and gives me a few hours in the evening every day. It makes things go a little faster that way," Neidig said.

"We love being a part of the answer for these business people," said Tami Garrow, CEO of Satsop Development Park.

"Encouraging and supporting businesses and jobs is part of our charge."

"In both these cases, having inexpensive office space with secure and reliable internet access has made the difference for these folks to settle in Grays Harbor, build homes and become part of the community."

"While most of the time people think of Satsop Development Park as having large manufacturing plants, we also have plentiful first-class office space available for big or small operations," Garrow said.

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UW Tacoma to offer classes at Satsop

Professionals looking for continuing education opportunities can now obtain certification in project management and contract management through new programs offered at the Regional Education and Training Center (RETC) at Satsop Development Park.

The University of Washington Tacoma's KeyBank Professional Development Center is offering the courses starting in August and September.

"We are very excited about partnering with RETC and look forward to scheduling future programs at the Satsop campus," said Alice Dionne, director for the UW Tacoma KeyBank Center.

The Project Management Certificate Program will be all-day classes offered Tuesdays starting Aug. 3 for five consecutive weeks. The curriculum covers project management fundamentals, project planning,



cost and scheduling fundamentals, managerial communication and problem solving.

The program costs \$1,720 and is eligible for WorkSource, dislocated workers and Veterans Affairs benefits.

The Contract Management Certificate Program will begin in early September and be offered as an evening class throughout the academic year. Students may choose to earn

the certificate or just attend one or more of the courses to expand their knowledge in various aspects of contracting. Pricing and schedules for this program are available on the UW Tacoma KeyBank Center website.

"The courses currently offered are already 50 percent full. People who want to sign up should do so soon! We're thrilled that it looks like this is fulfilling a need

in this community."

–Ryan Davis, RETC executive director

For more information about either program go to www.tacoma.washington.edu/pdc, call UW Tacoma at (253) 692-4618 or send an email to uwtpdctr@u.washington.edu. ■

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Satsop Development Park is a 1,700-acre mixed-use business and technology park in scenic Grays Harbor County, just 30 minutes from Olympia. It is home to more than 30 businesses and 440 acres of developed, pad-ready land and buildings supported by super-sized infrastructure and surrounded by 1,200 acres of forestland.

The Park is managed by the Grays Harbor Public Development Authority, a public corporation whose mission is to create new jobs and investment for the region.

