## Columbia Gorge AVA

- Dynamic climate forces at play:
  - Volcanic airflow off of the mountains – cooling effect
  - Consistent westerly winds from the Pacific Ocean through the only passage in the Cascades towards the desert – also cooling effect
- Dramatic rainshadow effect: Western edge receives 45" annual precip whereas Eastern edge receives 12".
- Elevation of vineyard sites range from 300 to 2,000 ft
- Only AVA in a National Scenic Area
- One of few bi-state AVAs in the country



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