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The circle of slag

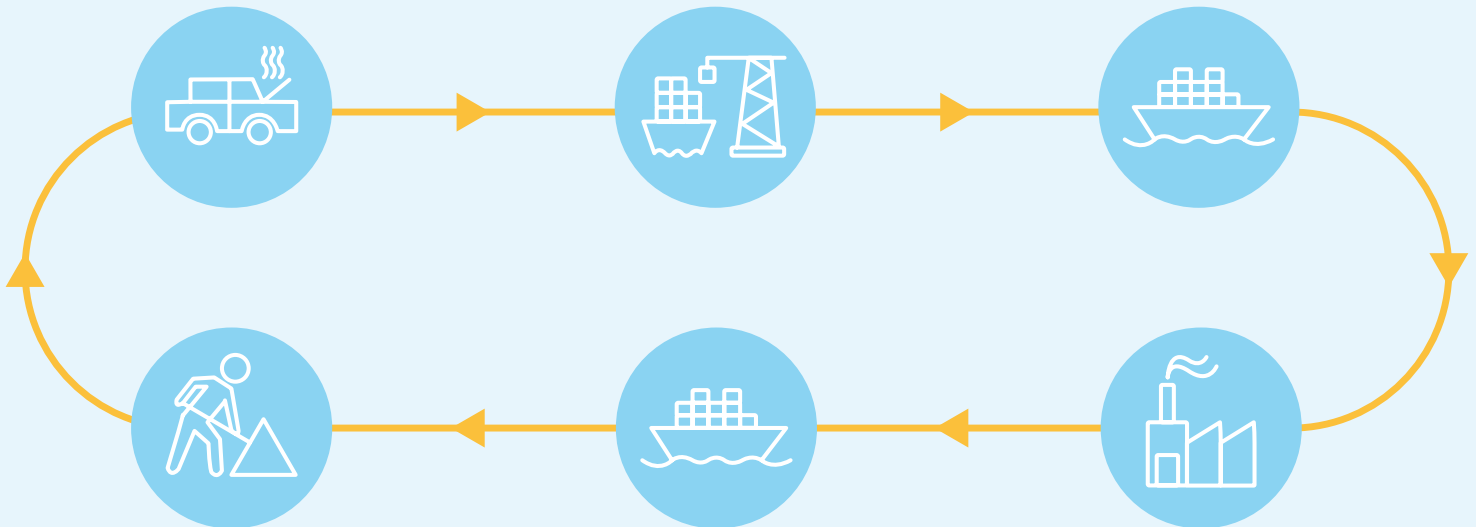
What in the world is slag and why is it so important? This may be your first time hearing of slag but it's probably not the first time you've benefitted from it. Slag is an important component of the roads we drive on or bridges we cross, and the Port of Redwood City plays a critical role in the process.



When a car is no longer fit for our roads, the car (or washer, dryer, and other appliances!) is recycled into scrap metal.

Scrap metal specialists like SIMS Metal at the Port of Redwood City, crush old appliances and cars into scrap metal that is exported for processing.

The scrap metal is shipped overseas for processing.



Slag is used to strengthen concrete, and is often used to add longevity to roads and bridges, where you might be driving your new car!

Construction aggregates, like slag, are imported by companies such as CEMEX at the Port of Redwood City, where we specialize in bringing in bulk cargo and construction materials.

Highly specialized plants across the Pacific Ocean turn the scrap metal into slag - usually small pellets of metal used in construction.