# Charting a Course to Sustainability

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- Overview of the Port of Long Beach
- Drivers of Sustainability at the Port
- Green Port Policy Overview
- Application of Sustainability at the Port
- How is it working?



### POLB Overview

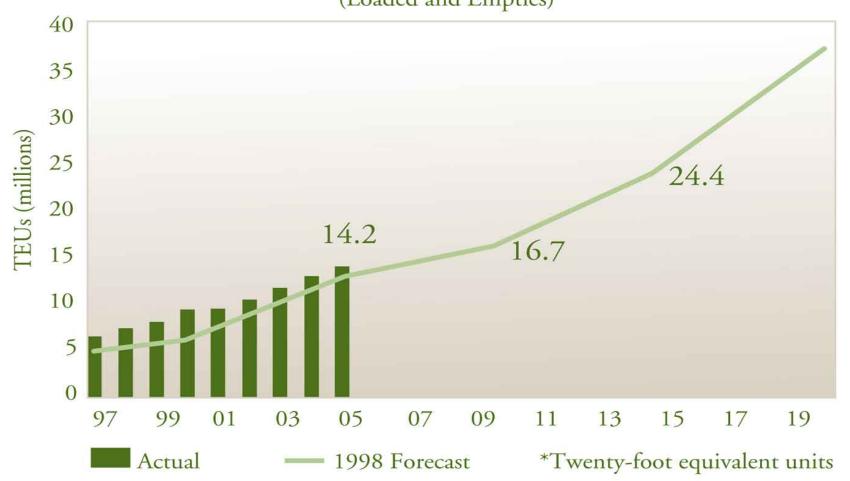


- 3230 Acres
- 10 Piers
- 80 Berths
- 35 miles waterfront
- 71 post-panamax cranes
- 2005 Cargo
  - 6.7M TEU
  - 80M metric tons



### Trade Growth

San Pedro Bay Cargo Forecasts - Actual Vs. Forecasted TEUs\* (Loaded and Empties)





### Challenges to Growth

- Infrastructure Limitations and Deterioration
- Congestion
- Emissions and Air Quality
- Limited Land Area for Expansion
- Constrained Capacity
- "License to Operate"



### Port's Response to Growth

- Efficiency Improvements
- Capital Improvements
- Revised EIR Processes and Mitigations
- Green Port Policy





#### **Environmental Policies**

- Protect the community from harmful side effects of Port operations
- Distinguish Port as leader in environmental stewardship and compliance
- Promote sustainability
- Employ best available technology to minimize environmental impacts
- Engage and educate the community



### Sustainability - Definition

"...Development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs."



U.N.'s World Commission On Environment and Development (Brundtland Commission), 1983



### The Triple Bottom Line

- Economic benefit
- Social Responsibility and
- Environmental Accountability





## What Is Sustainability to the Port of Long Beach?

"Sustainability is an understanding and appreciation that long-term economic vitality is fundamentally tied to community integrity and to our ability to protect and preserve the earth – for now and for future generations."

POLB Sustainability Task Force



### The business case for sustainability

- Do more with less
  - More capacity
  - Less Impact
- More efficient port operations contribute to sustainability
- Sustainability helps ensure
  - "license to operate"



### Sustainability Task Force

- Develops sustainability projects, training, tools and materials
- Members provide leadership within Port Community as "Ambassadors"
- Structure
  - Cross-divisional team
  - Governed by a steering committee
  - Monthly meetings (started March '05)
  - BHC-approved annual operating budget
  - No full-time staff



#### Focus Areas for STF

- Training
  - Training Video
  - Staff Training
  - Commissioners & Executive Staff Training
  - Speakers Bureau
- Purchasing and Procurement EMS
- Green Port Action Plan
- Greening of the Administration Building
- LEED® Buildings Program





#### External Collaborations

- Port Tenant Relationships
  - Supply Chain
- Community Relationships
  - Green Port Open House
  - Community Reforestation Programs
- Strategic Relationships
  - Government Agencies
  - Academic Institutions
  - Selected NGO's





### Is It Working?

"The Triple Bottom Line means that every project at the Port, every action is assessed by its contributions to the economy, the environment and the community at large. All of these elements must make a positive contribution for us to achieve a successful Triple Bottom Line."

Doris Topsy-Elvord
President, Board of Harbor Commissioners



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### Absolutely

- Green Flag Vessel Speed Reduction Incentive Program
- Green Leases
- GreenPort Reforestation Program
- Construction Waste Management
- Green Fleet Replacement Policy
- Pier Pass
- Cold Ironing
- Clean Cargo Handling Equipment
- Truck Fleet Modernization
- Locomotive Replacement Program

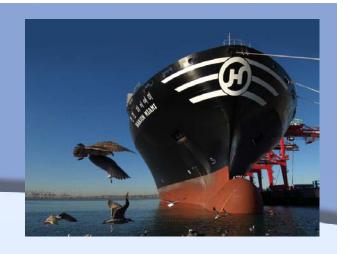


### Green Flag Program Trade & Maritime Services



- Green Flag Vessel Speed Reduction Incentive Program
  - BHC approved in 2005
  - 12-knot speed limit within 20 miles of the Port
  - Special "Green Flag" Recognition
  - \$2.2 million/yr discounted dockage rates
- Compliance
  - 65% in 2005
  - 78.1% during first quarter 2006
- 100% compliance reduces NOx by 550 tons/yr

### Green Leases Properties Division



- SSA/Matson Pier C
  - Vessel emission reduction
    - Cold ironing, low sulfur fuel or alternate technology
  - Terminal Equipment
    - CARB fuels & EPA off-road diesel standards
  - Appointment System & Virtual Container Yard
  - LEED® new building standard
- ITS Pier G
  - Vessel emission reduction
    - Cold ironing, low sulfur fuel or alternate technology
  - Terminal Equipment
    - CARB fuels & EPA off-road diesel standards
  - Appointment system & extended gate hours



### Construction Waste Management

**Engineering** 

 Construction specs require recycling of asphalt, concrete and crushed base



- Recycling 63,000 cubic yards of surcharge to Terminal Island Freeway project
- Reduced 20,000 truck trips
- Instigated by staff engineers thinking "Sustainability"



### GreenPort Tree Programme Community Outreach

Urban Reforestation

36 community sites selected

 Cooperative program with City, schools, community associations

First 2 projects

Coolidge Park

Hudson Elementary



