

APPENDIX B-4-11: PORT OF WEST SACRAMENTO

Port Address

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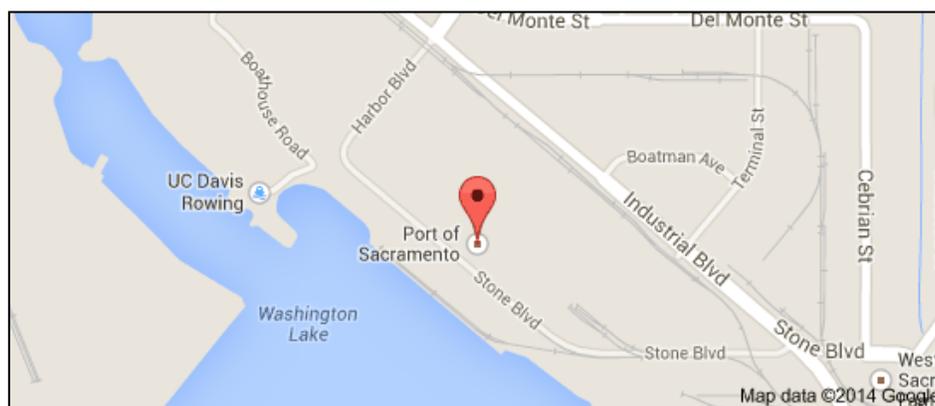
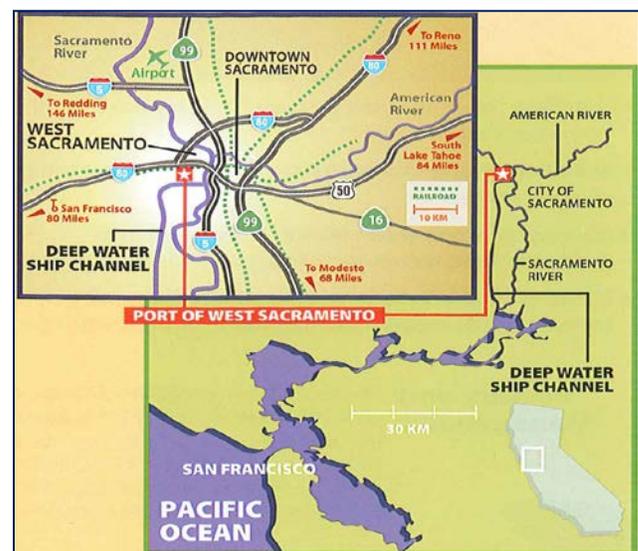
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The “Port of Sacramento,” located in Yolo County, opened in 1963 and changed its name to the “Port of West Sacramento” in 2008. This inland port is 79 nautical miles northeast of San Francisco and is a deep-water gateway for Northern California agriculture and industrial bulk industries. It is in the heart of the Sacramento Metropolitan area.

The Port is centered in one of the world’s richest agricultural regions, providing easy access for Northern California farmers. The Port mainly handles agricultural produce, industrial materials, and heavy equipment.

The Port is owned by the City of West Sacramento; the policy board is the Sacramento-Yolo Port Commission. In July 2013, the Port was leased to SSA in a five-year lease agreement that can be extended in five year increments up to 20 years. The Port is now a landlord port. The Port operates 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and provides several thousand jobs in the area, as well as recreational opportunities. The Port’s major issue has been the downturn in the economy. This agreement guarantees rent payments and shifts operation expense to their lessee.



PORT INFRASTRUCTURE

Channel depth	30 feet
Channel length	43 miles
Port size	1,112 acres
Berths	5
Rail Access	On-port

- 480 acres of maritime properties with 150 acres of operating terminals and 30 acres available for expansion
- 180,000 tons covered bulk storage capacity
- Open paved storage for 650,000 tons of cargo served by fixed conveyor system
- 30,000 ton capacity bulk rice elevator
- 30,000 ton capacity feed and grain elevator
- 700,000 square feet enclosed storage
- 120 ton mobile harbor crane

PORT TRADE CHARACTERISTICS

- Overall annual tonnage handled annually is 1.0 million tons. The Port has the capacity to handle 3.5 million tons
- The Port specializes in bulk, break-bulk, agriculture, and construction cargo
- Non-container port, niche port
- Exports by value totaled \$145.2 million and imports \$3.7 million (2010)
- Rice exports mainly to Japan and South Korea

CARGO

Imports	Exports
Bulk cement	Bag and bulk rice
Fertilizers (bag and bulked)	Mineral ores
Project cargo	Grain
Wood pellets	Wood chips
Bio-fuels	

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK & INTERMODAL CONNECTIONS

Highway Access Routes

Major State Highway System routes serving the Port include US 50, I-5, I-80, and SR-99.

Trucking

- Congestion, air quality, and illegal truck parking issues due to high volumes of shipments transferred by truck.
- Corridors with elevated freight volumes, such as I-5 and I-80, have high truck pavement damage impacts.

Freight Rail

Class I

- Union Pacific (UP)
- Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF)

Shortline

- Sierra Northern Railway (switching)

ENVIRONMENTAL INITIATIVES

- Installed a 637-kilowatt solar array, which will supply the Port with 100% of its electricity needs
- Implementing a “marine highway” container barge service
- Port joined Clean Air Partnership (CAP) in 2012

MAJOR PORT ISSUES

- Dredging to maintain ship channels
- Cargo growth is expected to generate substantial truck and rail traffic.
- Better port access truck routes are needed.

CALTRANS FOCUS AREAS

- Currently, the rail system into the Port crosses a major route in West Sacramento. Alternatives for vehicle traffic are needed for long-term traffic management.
- The recently completed Harbor Boulevard project will improve highway access and traffic circulation in and around the Port. Caltrans may designate future High Occupancy Vehicle lanes on Harbor Boulevard.
- Caltrans working to accommodate truck parking shortages through ramp and intersection design and advocacy with local partners.

Freight Planning Fact Sheet

PORT-RELATED PROJECTS

- **The California Green Trade Corridor/ Marine Highway Project.** A \$30 million investment to develop a marine highway system as an alternative to shipping freight by truck. The Ports of Oakland, Stockton, and West Sacramento are sharing a federal Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) grant to establish a new barge container system to move freight between the three ports. Funds have been used to purchase a \$5 million mobile harbor crane and to strengthen the dock. Barge service began in the summer of 2013 between the Port of Oakland and the Port of Stockton and temporarily suspended in Summer 2014. To date, it is uncertain when or whether the Port of West Sacramento will begin barge service.

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING PARTNERS

- California Department of Boating & Waterways
- California Department of Water Resources
- California State Lands Commission
- California State Reclamation Board
- Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board
- Cities of West Sacramento and Sacramento
- Department of Parks and Recreation
- Sacramento Area Council of Governments
- State Department of Fish & Game
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- Yolo County Transportation District
- Yolo-Solano Air Quality Maintenance District

PLANNING DOCUMENTS

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- City of West Sacramento General Plan, 2009:
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City of West Sacramento: <http://cityofwestsacramento.org/>

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