



Freight Planning Fact Sheet

Port of Hueneme

Port Location Port of Hueneme, Oxnard Harbor District
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The Port of Hueneme (Port), located in Ventura County, is the only deep water harbor between the Ports of Los Angeles and San Francisco and is the U.S. Port of Entry for California's central coast region. Established in 1937, the Oxnard Harbor District (District) owns and manages the Port. The Port specializes in handling automobiles produce, and bulk cargo and also provides important support services for the offshore oil industry. Unique to the Port is Hueneme Canyon. This 1,000+ feet deep submarine canyon is located within 300 feet of the Port's channel. The Canyon helps keep the channel free from silt and provides good navigation with minimal wave and swell action. The Port's harbor is not affected by tidal streams or current. Port related activity generates over \$650 million into Ventura County's economy each year, at no cost to the taxpayer, and supports 4,500 jobs in Ventura County.



PORT INFRASTRUCTURE

Main Channel 35"
Deepwater Berths 5
Channel Length 2,300 feet

PORT TRADE CHARACTERISTICS

Partners	Inbound	Outbound
Costa Rica	Autos	Autos
Ecuador	Produce	Produce
Guatemala	Liquid Fertilizer	General Cargo
Germany	Nuts	
Sweden	Bulk Liquid	
Japan		
Korea		

- Port is one of California's busiest seaports for general cargo, handling over \$7 billion in cargo value each year
- Oil deposits in the Santa Barbara Channel makes the Port an important base for the oil industry
- Exports of American-made automobiles jumped 220% from 2008 to 2011
- Coastal trade includes fish, offshore oil, general cargo, and vessel fuel
- Since 2001, the District's ocean freight operating revenues have been driven by automobiles and fresh produce cargo
- Commodities for 2011 in Metric Tons:

General Cargo	294,138,923
Dry Bulk	12,707,528
Liquid Bulk	45,049,117

PORT PROJECTS

- US 101 and Rice Avenue Interchange (Prop. 1B, TCIF)
- Hueneme Road Widening between Ventura Road and Rice Avenue
- Improved signage with preferred truck routes
- Grade separation projects:
 - Rice Avenue
 - Rose Avenue
 - SR 118/Coast Line

MAJOR PORT ISSUES

- Environmental and community concerns
- Infrastructure requirements and upgrades
- Channel dredging and maintenance
- Freight congestion
- Insufficient backland for container terminal development
- Fragmented governance, overlapping jurisdictions
- Secure source for funding and financing

CALTRANS FOCUS AREAS

- Freight congestion on US 101
- Community environmental impacts

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK

Access Routes

US 101 SR 126 SR 118 SR 405
SR 232 SR 1

- Primary access route to Port is US 101
- Secondary access routes: SR 126 and SR 1 (Pacific Coast Highway/Oxnard Boulevard)
- SR 232 is also known as Vineyard Avenue

TRUCKING

- Corridors with greatest use to and from the Port are Hueneme Road and Rice Avenue
- Rice Avenue, a four-lane roadway designated as a preferred access route to Port, has problems with bottlenecks
- Hueneme Road is a preferred access route for trucks, as specified in the City of Oxnard's General Plan. The City is planning to widen the road from two to four lanes.

- Ventura Road, a primary access road to the Port, is a four-lane arterial just east of the Port's main gate
- Port generates about 25% of area truck trips
- Measures to reduce truck impacts include: improved signage with preferred truck routes and require residential developers to provide acoustical design such as pavement surfaces, sound barriers, setbacks and sound-dampening materials

RAIL LINE

Ventura County Railway LLC Class III, short-line railroad – This 10.3 mile loop of track is owned by the District. The Ventura County Railroad (**VCRR**) is operated by Rail America. Freight is transferred from the Port and connects to the Union Pacific Railroad in downtown Oxnard, providing an important link throughout North America.

PLANNING AGENCIES AND PARTNERS

- California Air Resources Board
- City of Port Hueneme
- City of Oxnard
- City and County of Ventura
- Naval Base Ventura County
- Port Hueneme Redevelopment Agency
- South Coast Air Quality Management District
- Southern California Association of Governments
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
- U.S. Customs & Border Patrol
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- Ventura County Transportation Commission
- Ventura County Air Pollution Control District

PLANS AND STUDIES

- Port of Hueneme, Oxnard Harbor District Comprehensive Annual Financial Report FY 2010-11
- Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) 2012-2035 Regional Transportation Plan, Draft, December 2011
- Ventura County Congestion Management Plan, 2009 Update
- Cities of Port Hueneme and Oxnard Truck Traffic Study, June 5, 2008

SOURCES AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Port of Hueneme Harbor District: http://www.portofhueneme.org/about_us/general_overview.php
- Port of Hueneme Comprehensive Annual Financial Report: http://www.portofhueneme.org/documents/financial_report201011.pdf
- Port of Los Angeles: <http://www.portoflosangeles.org/>
- Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG): <http://www.scag.ca.gov/goodsmove/>
- SCAG 2012-2035 RTP Draft December 2011: <http://rtpscs.scag.ca.gov/Pages/Draft-2012-2035-RTP-SCS.aspx>
- City of Oxnard Planning Division (General Plan 2011): <http://developmentervices.cityofoxnard.org/Department.aspx?DepartmentID=7&DivisionID=76&ResourceID=961>
- Cities of Port Hueneme and Oxnard Truck Traffic Study, June 5, 2008: <http://publicworks.cityofoxnard.org/Uploads/TrafficEngineering/Port%20Hueneme%20Oxnard%20Truck%20Traffic%20Study%20June%205,%202008.pdf>