



# PORT FREEPORT, TEXAS 36A COALITION DELEGATION VISIT

**Delegation Purpose and Opportunity** 

January 17-20, 2016

## **Advantages of Port Freeport**

Port Freeport and 36A Coalition delegation members thank you for your attendance and interest in finding mutually beneficial opportunities to advance trade through Port Freeport, Texas.

With the advance of larger container ships and the expansion of the Panama Canal, the economics of trade to Central U.S. locations is changing. Port Freeport stands out as the premier port and trade route on the Gulf Coast capable of delivering channel depth, economic fundamentals and timely access to strategic hubs for distribution to Houston, Dallas, Fort Worth, San Antonio and Central U.S. markets. Port Freeport is the only deep water port on the U.S. Gulf Coast prepared for larger container ship dockage with channel depths over 45 feet and plans underway for 50+ feet.

Our planned railroad and highway improvements will provide access to key inland ports in Dallas/Fort Worth (DFW). DFW is the third largest logistics center in the U.S. The 36A Coalition is working with Federal and State officials and private investors in developing access to the DFW market through our corridor. The prospects for growth are tremendous.

We look forward to engaging conversations and exploring opportunities that provide mutually beneficial results for all parties.

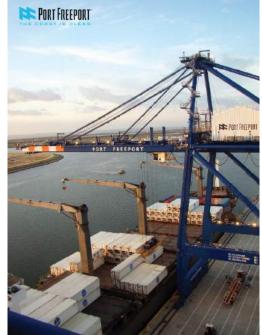
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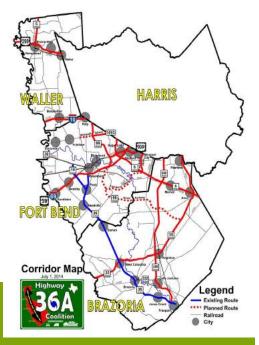
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Theodore Roosevelt





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#### PORT FREEPORT & FOREIGN TRADE

Port Freeport not only is a deep water port, but our berths are only three miles from open water in the Gulf of Mexico.

Brazoria and Fort Bend Counties comprise Foreign Trade Zone (FTZ) 149. FTZ 149, administered by Port Freeport provides expedited approval of both manufacturing and distribution operations. Within the FTZ, manufacturers and shippers can operate duty free as if their operations were located offshore.

### Port Freeport

Freeport, Texas

Port Freeport land and operations:

- 600 acres developed land
- 7,000 acres undeveloped land
- 18 operating berths (public and private docks)
- 3 Dockside Warehouses

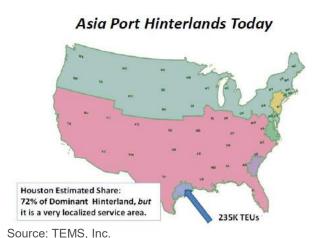
#### **Under Development:**

- 514 -acre multi-modal facility
- Two 1,600-foot berths
- Deepening and Widening of Harbor Channel from 45ft to 50+ ft.
- Velasco Terminal Expansion with 2 container berths of 2,200 ft. total and 50 ft. water depth

#### PANAMA CANAL\BIG CONTAINER SHIPS ARE A GAME CHANGER

The changing economies of bigger ships will cut line haul costs in half, making it more lucrative to transport containers from Asia to Central U.S. via the Panama Canal. Port Freeport is positioned to be the dominant Port-of-Call for access to all Central U.S. logistics destinations.

Central and Southern US freight delivery from Asia is predominantly handled through Los Angeles/Long Beach via Union Pacific Rail. Most of the container traffic coming into Port Freeport and the Port of Houston are consumed within the region. Of the containers making their way to DFW inland ports, Houston's share is only 2%. With improvements to Port Freeport and the rail system, our studies show we can capture 32% of the DFW container market and 40% of the dominant trade area. Our projections show growth from 235K TEUs to 1.451M TEUs in 2030.



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POST PORT/RAIL IMPROVEMENTS



## **36A Transportation Corridor**

The 36A Transportation Corridor represents a significant enhancement to multi-modal freight delivery in Texas and throughout the Greater Houston Region.

Port Freeport presently has one rail service provider. With the planned development of a second rail line directly from Freeport to Rosenberg, Texas, streamlined connectivity will be provided to three large national logistic centers (San Antonio, Dallas, Fort Worth). Rosenberg, is only 60 miles from Freeport and has all three Class 1 railroads; Union Pacific, BNSF and Kansas City Southern.

36A multi-modal options enhance freight delivery for both regional distribution and hub distribution for redirection to San Antonio, Dallas, Fort Worth and Central U.S. locations.

The 36A Corridor has also been identified as a regional priority for transportation enhancements providing multimodal options for freight delivery. Even without rail, the combination of Port Freeport shipping advantages and truck transportation produces enhanced logistical savings for shipping lines. In addition to being a regional rail hub, Rosenberg (located just West of Houston in Fort Bend County) is positioned to serve as a major trucking hub with access to multiple regional logistic centers in the Greater Houston area via major ring roads.







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