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PREPARING FOR 2015

PRESENTED OCTOBER 2012

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## **PORTMIAMI Statistics**

## **Economic Impact: Over \$18 Billion**

- Supports 180,000 jobs directly and indirectly
- "Cargo Gateway of the Americas"
  - Approximately 907,607 TEUs
  - Top Trading Partners: China, Hong Kong, Honduras, Dominican Republic, & Germany
  - Top Imports: tiles, textiles, fruits, & vegetables
- "Cruise Capital of the World"
  - More than 4 million passengers
  - •Homeport for 31 cruise ships (including Azmara Club Cruises, Carnival Cruise Line, Royal Caribbean Cruise Line, MSC, Costa Cruises, Norwegian Cruise Line, Disney Cruise Line, Celebrity Cruises, Regent Seven Seas Cruises & Oceania Cruises)



# **PORTMIAMI Today**

Miami Harbor, Florida





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# **How We Get There**

**Tunnel** 

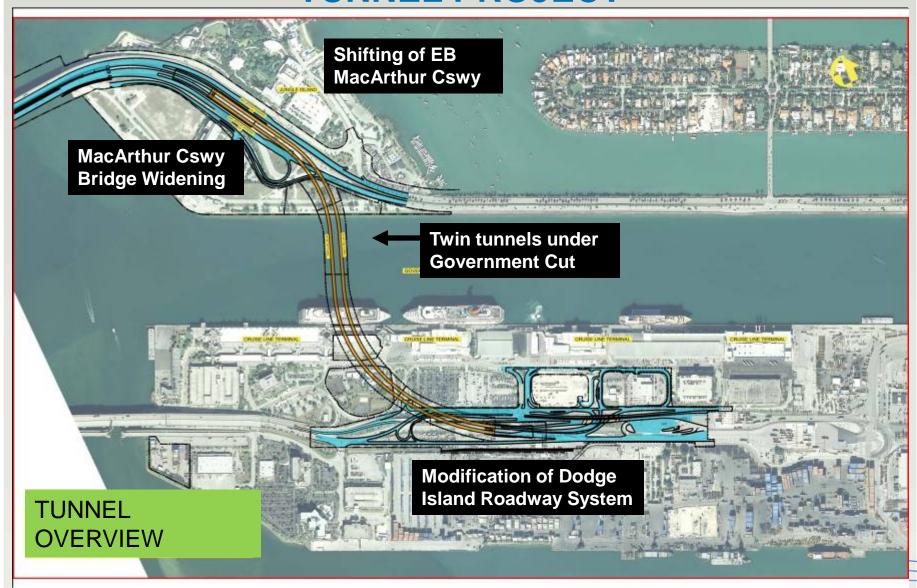


**Rail** 



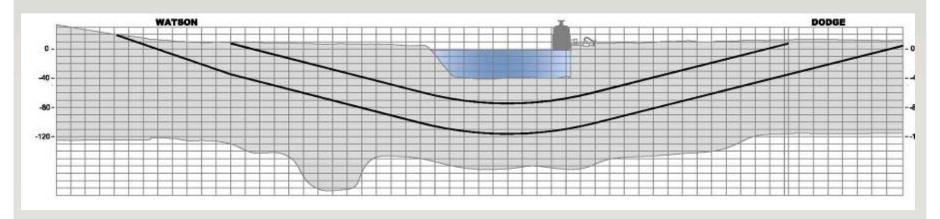


## **TUNNEL PROJECT**

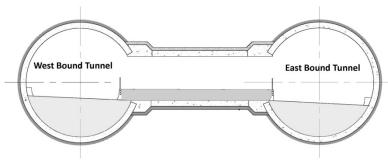


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## **TUNNEL VERTICAL ALIGNMENT & SECTION**



## Cross Passage between tunnels



## Tunnels are 3900 ft. long

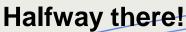
+40 ft. under the bottom

of Government Cut

5% Grade

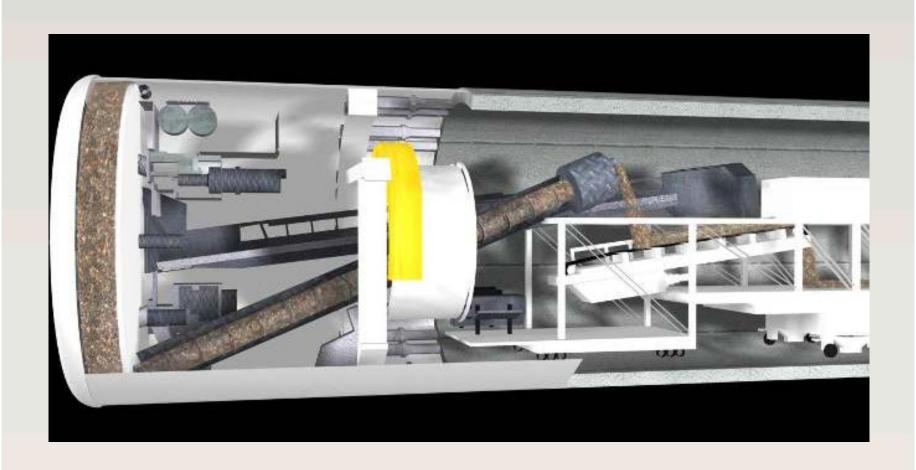
5 cross passages







## **TUNNEL BORING MACHINE**



## RAIL INTERMODAL & RECONNECTION

PORTMIAMI AWARDED \$22.7 MILLION IN FEDERAL FUNDING to FAST TRACK RESTORATION of RAIL FREIGHT SERVICE

TIGER GRANT: Expand PortMiami capacity

to facilitate growth

PROJECT COST: \$46 M

**PROJECT GOALS:** 

Reduce truck-generated congestion and diesel emissions

- Establish the most cost effective logistical network for shipping containers
- Restore the freight rail connection from PortMiami to the Florida East Coast Railway – Hialeah Yard located northwest of MIA.
- Prepare rail corridor for future passenger traffic

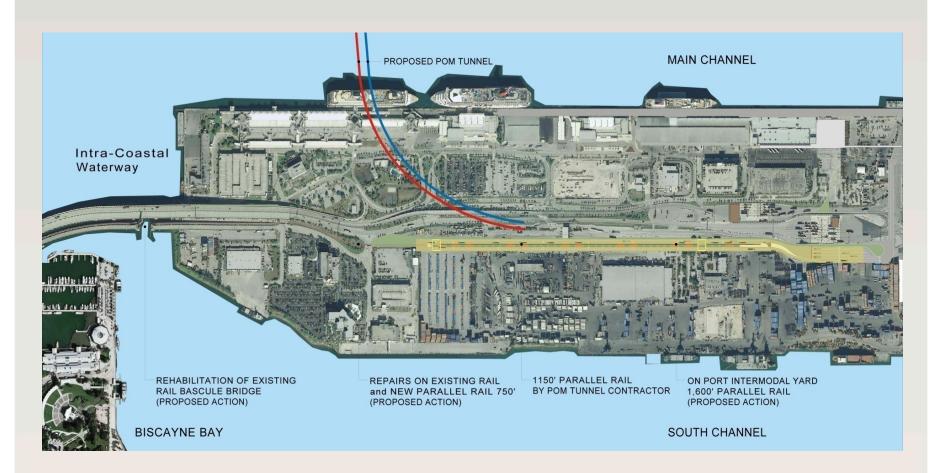


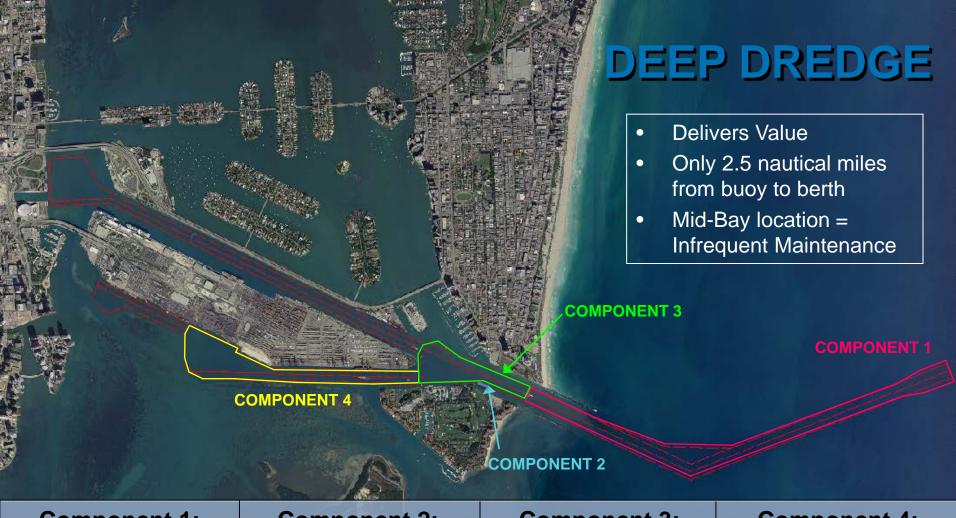


## **ROUTE: PORTMIAMI to FEC RAIL YARD HIALEAH**



## **CONSTRUCTION of PORTMIAMI INTERMODAL YARD**





### **Component 1:**

Widen seaward portion of Cut-1 from 500 to 800 feet; deepen Cut-1 and Cut-2 from 44 to 52 feet

#### **Component 2:**

Add turn widener at the southern intersection of Cut-3 with Fisherman's Channel and deepen to 50 feet

#### **Component 3:**

Increase Fisher Island turning basin from 1200 to 1500 feet; truncate NE section of the turning basin to minimize seagrass impacts; deepen from 42 to 50 feet

#### Component 4:

Expand berthing area by 60 feet and widen southern edge of Fisherman's Channel 40 ft; reduce Lummus Island turning basin to a 1500 ft dia.; deepen from 42 to 50 ft

# **Project Scope**

## **Request for Proposal**

- Approximately 5,000,000 CY of dredging
  - EPA designated offshore site
  - Rock material for artificial reef habitat
  - Borrow sites for seagrass mitigation
- Estimate 4,000,000 CY of Rock
- Confined Blasting will be Allowed
- All Environmental Permits are in Place





# Offshore Disposal Area

Miami Harbor, Florida

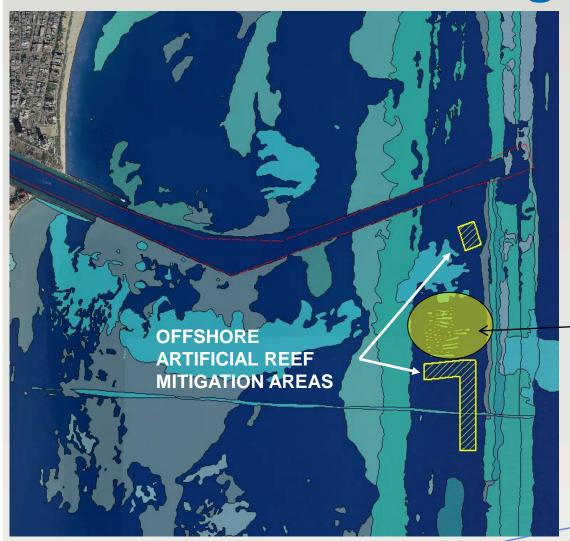
## Mitigation for Hardbottom Impacts

- Artificial Reef Creation
   9.28 acres
- Coral Relocation
  - All hard corals >25cm
  - Up to 1300 hard corals between 10 and 25 cm

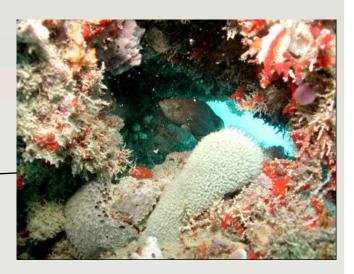




# **Artificial Reef Mitigation Areas**



Reef Mitigation Sites have capacity of 40 acres



ADJACENT SUCCESSFUL
ARTIFICIAL REEF
MITIGATION SITE



Biscayne Bay, FL



Post construction success is expected to be high since the area is surrounded by existing high density seagrass beds

# **Construction Monitoring**

- Turbidity Monitoring
- Sedimentation Monitoring
- Secondary Impacts
  - Hardbottom and Corals
  - Seagrass Beds
- Divers in-water twice a week to monitor resources



Natural Turbidity in the Bay



Typical Sedimentation Station

# **Construction Techniques**

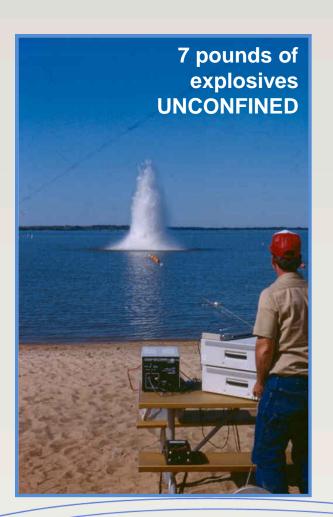
- Full-time environmental manager
- Utilize standard manatee protection protocols
- Utilize confined blasting- 90% less impact as compared to unconfined blast
  - Utilize safety zones to protect animals from effects
  - Observers on vessels and in the air
  - Up to 2 confined blast events a day, only during daylight
  - Stagger charges- lessen pressure waves



## **Confined vs Unconfined Blasts**

3000 pounds of explosives CONFINED





## Typical Blast Timeline

#### - 2 HOURS

Notice to Project Team and Local Authorities

#### -1 HOUR

Marine Mammal Watch Begins



#### - 15 MINUTES

Notice to Mariners (channel closes)

#### - 1 MINUTE

Fish Scare

DELAY CAPSULE: If an animal is observed in either the danger or safety zones, the blast is delayed to monitor the animal until it leaves, on its own, from both the danger and safety zones.



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# **Project Schedule**

- Summer 2012 Design and Permitting Compete
- Fall 2012 Advertise
- Winter 2013 Award Contract
- Spring 2013 Commence Work
- Spring 2015 Complete Work
- & OPEN for Deeper Draft Vessels!



## **Thank You**



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