

Norfolk Harbor Navigation Improvements

Beneficial Use of Dredged Material for Beach Nourishment

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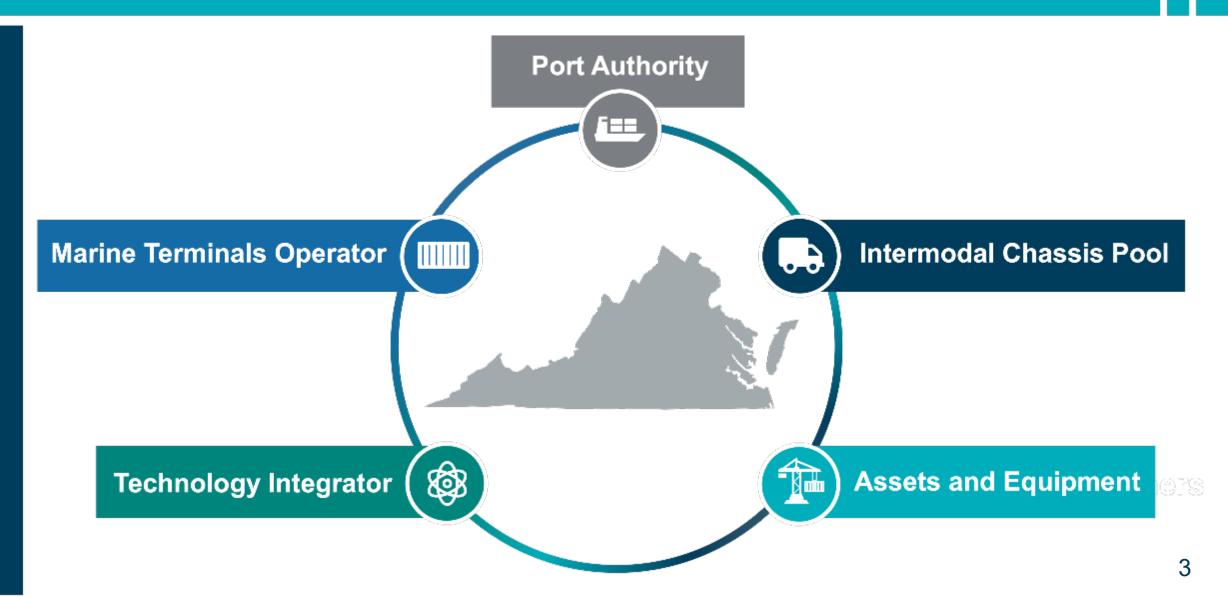


6 Terminals. Unlimited Possibilities



The "Virginia Model"





Speed to Market





Expansive Rail Connectivity





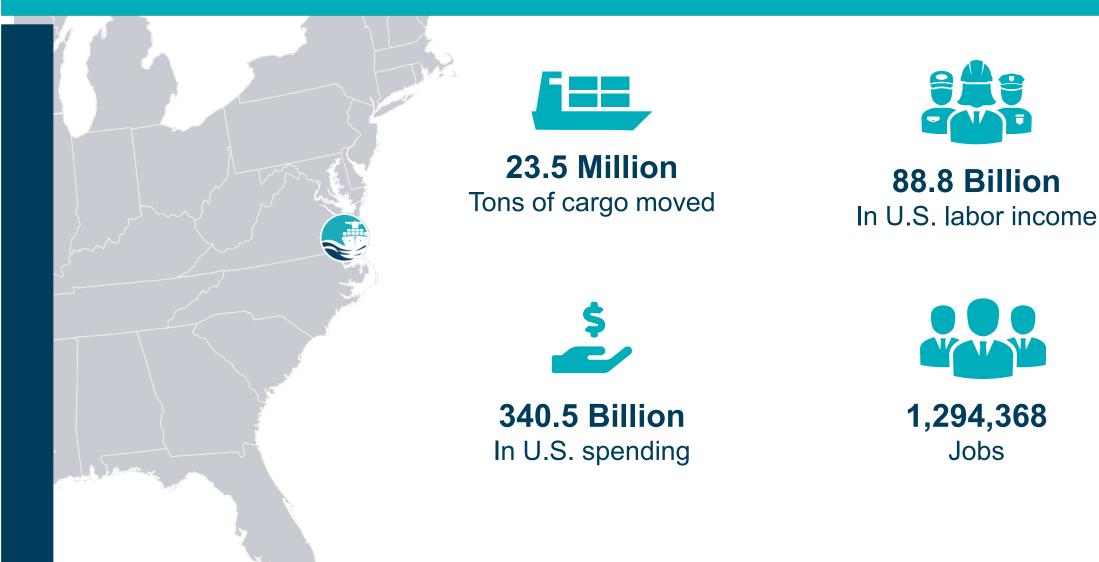
Global Connectivity Trade Lanes





National Economic Impact (FY21)





\$1.4B Gateway Investment Program





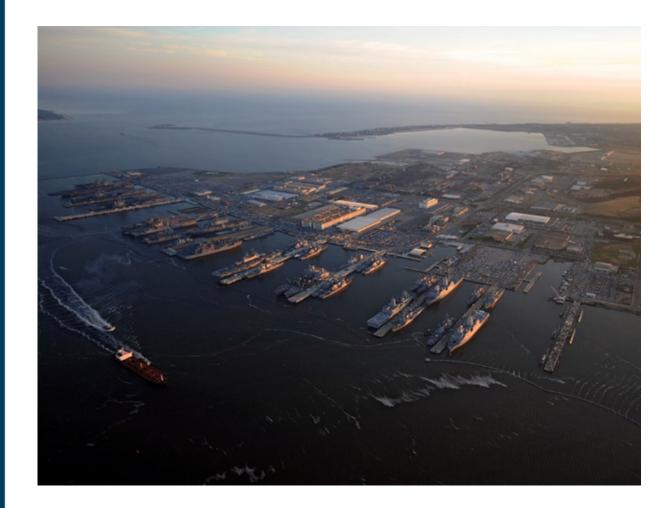
55' Channel Deepening and Widening





Vessel Delays

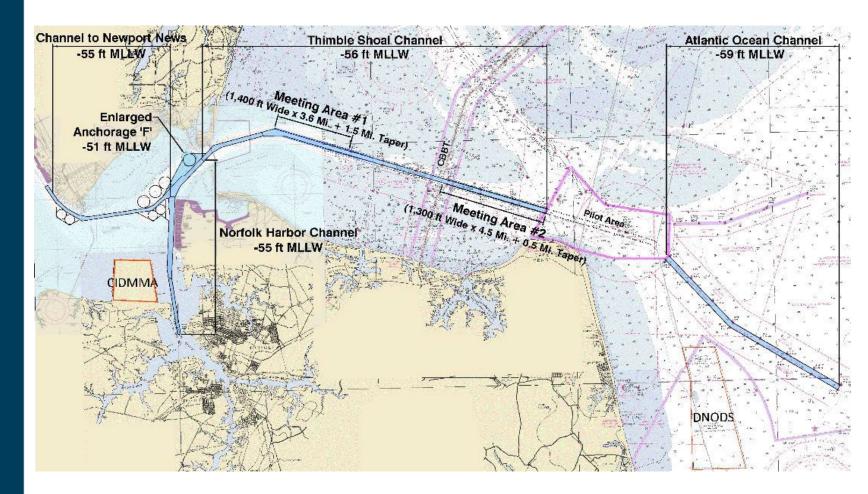




- One ultra-large container vessel at a time in channel – one-way traffic
- Large Navy or ultra-large ships close channel to all other traffic
- Daily event
- Vessels queue for their turn or wait at dock

Overall Project





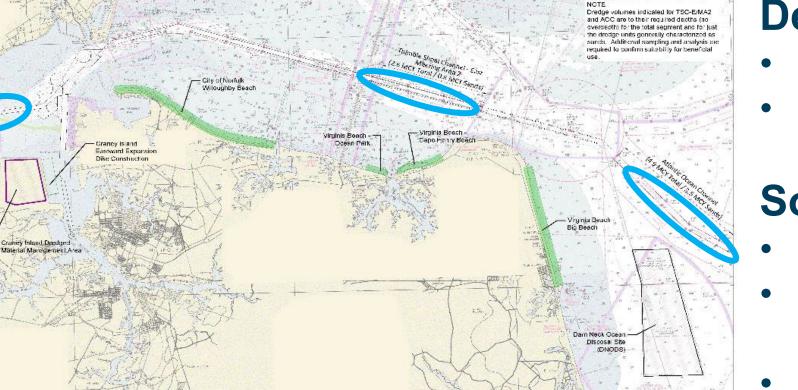
Overall ~29.9 MCY Total ~4.6 MCY Beneficial Use

To Date

~47% Complete ~14.2 MCY Dredged ~1.5 MCY Beneficial Use

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Beneficial Use in the Region



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Beneficial Use Discussion

Demand for Sand

- Beach Nourishment
- CIDMMA Dikes

Sources

- Thimble Shoal East
- Newport News
 Channel
- Atlantic Ocean Channel



Why Beneficial Reuse





- Section 103 Concurrence Requirement
- Financially beneficial to localities
- Extends life of disposal sites

Challenges to Beneficial Use



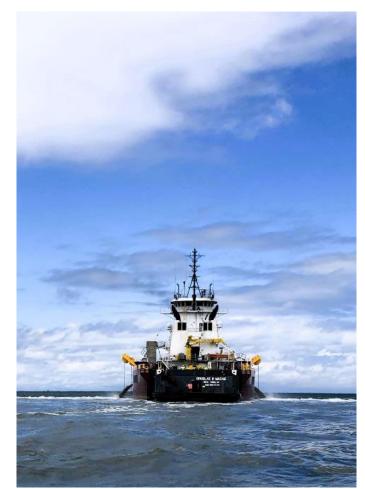


- Project timing
- Impacts to navigation project schedule
- Different project priorities



- TSC-E/MA2 was first contract of deepening program with suitable material for beneficial use
- The port initiated outreach to cities to explore opportunity
- Established MOUs to integrate beach nourishment into project
- Early identification of opportunities allowed time to design, permit, and fund projects

TSC-E/MA2 Project (Thimble Shoal Channel East of CBBT)



- Widened 1,000-ft channel to 1,300-ft
- Deepened 51-ft channel to 56-ft
- Supports deeper draft vessels and two-way traffic
- Generated ~2.6 MCY of material
- ~0.67 MCY used for beaches

Contract Structure



- Included in the port's bid documents as bid options that could be individually executed
- Mob/Demob + Incremental Unit Costs
- Provided opportunity for cities to decline the work
- The port provided construction oversight and contract administration

City of Virginia Beach – Ocean Park Beach



- 400,000 CYs of sands placed on ~1.2 miles of eroded public beachfront
- 4th of July accommodations





City of Norfolk – Ocean View Beach



 264,500 CYs of sand placed on ~1.5 miles of eroded public beachfront





Permitting





- Offshore placement –
 Section 103 Concurrence
- Joint Permit Application
 - Federal Consistency
 Certification
 - Dept. of Wildlife Resources
 TOYR at OVB
 - Jurisdiction review (source change for OPB)
- DWR approval for summer placement 20

Construction Coordination





Manage schedules to minimize public impact, beach events Continuous communication for schedule updates and responsiveness to citizen concerns

Construction Coordination



- 3 concurrent projects within Thimble Shoal Channel
- Multiple dredges to balance operations (7 active plants)







- Cost savings to both the navigation project and beach nourishment projects
- Helped shape USACE model for subsequent beneficial use projects

Thank You

