National Waterways Conference – Waterways Past, Present and Future

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Fixing America’s Surface Transportation (FAST) ACT was signed December 4, 2015

Establishes a freight program with State formula funds and competitive grants - $10.8B over 5 years

Establishes the National Surface Transportation and Innovative Finance Bureau

Sets freight network planning and performance measurement requirements
  - Port Performance Act
  - National and State Freight Plans
  - Multimodal Freight Network
FY16 Grants $169.2M awarded for port improvement projects totaling $432.2M

- **TIGER VIII** $54.5M for projects totaling $147.8M
  - Little Rock, AR $6.2M/$9.9M
  - Guam “H” Wharf $10M/$20M
  - Albany, NY $17.2M/$49.6M
  - USVI Finch Terminal $10.7M/$13.3M
  - Everett, WA $10M/$55M

- **FASTLANE** $114.7M for projects totaling $284.4M
  - Port of Savannah Int’l Multi-modal Connector $44M/$128.7M
  - Conley Terminal Intermodal Improvements and Modernization (Massport) $42M/$102.9M
  - Maine Intermodal Port Productivity Project $7.7M/$15.4M
  - Cross Harbor Freight Program (rail@ PANYNJ) $10.7M/$17.8M
  - Coos Bay Rail Line Tunnel Rehabilitation $11M/$19.6M
FASTLANE Grant $44M awarded to Port of Savannah International Multi-modal Connector
What Is PortTalk?

- PortTalk helps us understand where ports’ biggest needs, concerns, opportunities and challenges exist and determine MARAD opportunities in creating solutions.

- PortTalk ensures that ports are considered in local, regional and statewide plans and planning efforts.

- PortTalk engages partners at the statewide, regional and, where necessary, federal levels.

Who we will reach

- Public ports/authorities
- Departments of Transportation
- Federal partners
- MPOs, RPO, COG
- Service operators
- Other Interested stakeholders
What Does Success Look Like?

• MARAD knows current and future industry needs, concerns, and opportunities

• *Ports and waterways are succeeding in getting $$s from each state and through each MPO where they reside*

• *Ports and waterways are getting landside problems fixed and are ready to support future logistics needs*
Port Talk Outreach & Tools

- 2016 – Cincinnati, OH and Fort Smith, AK
- Document port and waterway needs, concerns and opportunities to collaborate at National, regional and local levels
- Provide Port Talk Engagement Effort Tools:
  - Presentations, workshop agendas and educational materials to share with MPOs, State DOTs, & Ports
  - Case Studies and Best Practices
  - “Port Planning and Investment Toolkit Funding Strategy Module” and similar products
Marine Highway Call for Projects and Grants

- $4.8 Million America’s Marine Highway Grants FY2016
- MH Project submissions due December 31, 2016
Multimodal Freight Network - Draft Representation

Note: For information on methodology used for feature selection in this map, please see U.S. Department of Transportation, National Freight Strategic Plan, Appendix D. 2015.
Thank you!

Questions?

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