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Capitalize on **Funding for Clean Technologies** 

#### **Technical** Resources

**Providing Tools** to Help Identify **Smart Infrastructure Investments** 



### Collaboration

**Promoting Port Community** Collaboration for Effective Planning



**Increasing Efficiency in Federal** Government and **Port Operations** 



#### **Communications**

**Creating a Knowledge Clearinghouse** 



# Diesel emissions and near-port communities

#### EPA Ports Initiative



Photo source: Susan Monteverde, AAPA presentation on 9/24/13 EPA Webinar: "A National Conversation on the State of US Ports"

Photo source: Angelo Logan, East Yards Communities for Environmental Justice presentation on 1/14/14 EPA webinar: "A National Conversation on the State of US Ports"

## Promoting clean air best practices at ports













Through EPA tools and assistance in the five program areas, we aim to accelerate adoption of:

- Cleaner technologies and other strategies
- Clean air planning practices (emissions inventories, clean air plans, community engagement) that inform strategic clean air investments

# Promoting community-port collaboration for effective planning





Port of Savannah Tour



**Collaboration Training** 

- Tools and training:
  - Ports Primer for communities
  - Community Action Roadmap
  - EJ Primer for port operators, including Good Neighbor Roadmap



- Case studies
- Regional staff convening stakeholders, supporting use of above EPA
   resources at ports and railyards across the country.

www.epa.gov/community-port-collaboration

### **Toolkit: Ports Primer for Communities**



• Interactive reference document focused on seaports (content can apply to inland ports,

airports and intermodal facilities)

- Topics include:
  - The Role of Ports
  - How Ports Work
  - Port-Community Relations
  - Ports impacts on land use and transportation
  - Ports impacts on the economy
  - Environmental Impacts of ports
- Ports Primer Training Module

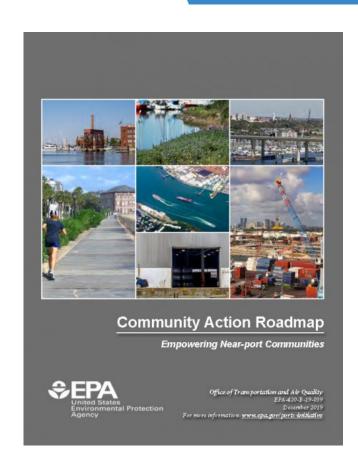


## **Toolkit: Community Action Roadmap**



- Step-by-step process for building community capacity to effectively engage in port decisions.
- Steps Are:
  - 1. Prioritizing goals and concerns
  - 2. Identifying levers for change
  - 3. Building relationships
  - 4. Developing an action plan
  - 5. Making Your Case
  - 6. Building momentum for change

Training Module for Community Action Roadmap



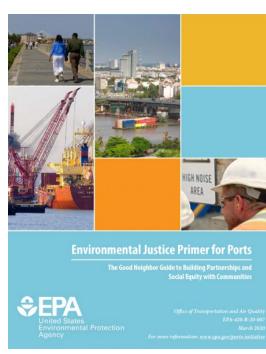
# Toolkit: Environmental Justice (EJ) Primer for Ports



• Informs port operators of the perspectives, priorities, and challenges often unique to communities with EJ concerns

- Step-by-step Good Neighbor Roadmap Process:
  - Assess your Community Engagement Approach
  - Build Relationships
  - Identify Community Concerns and Goals
  - Identify Levers for Change
  - Develop a Good Neighbor Strategic Plan
  - Measure and Sustain Progress
- Training Module: EJ Primer for Ports

www.epa.gov/community-port-collaboration/community-port-collaboration-toolkit





# Case Studies: Community-Port Collaboration Pilot Projects

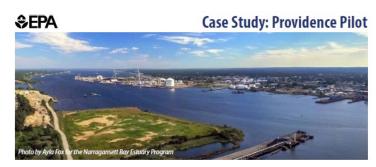


• Savannah, Seattle, New Orleans and Providence





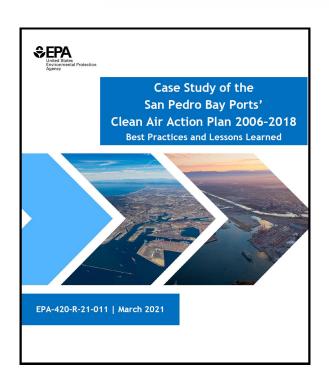






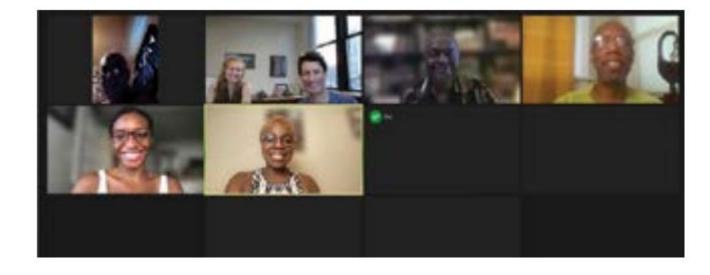
### **Other Case Studies**





## **Case Study on San Pedro Bay Ports Clean Air Action Plan**

www.epa.gov/ports-initiative/san-pedro-bay-ports-clean-air-action-plan-best-practices-and-lessons-learned



Case Study on Developing a Community Action Roadmap to Engage in Port of Wilmington Expansion

https://www.epa.gov/ports-initiative/developing-community-action-roadmap-engage-port-wilmington-expansion



# Interactive Map Highlighting Clean Air Practices at Ports



#### Clean Air Practices at Ports

This <u>EPA Ports Initiative</u> tool brings together real-world examples of emissions reduction activities as well as key practices highlighted in the <u>Best Port-Wide Planning Practices to Improve Air Quality</u> webpage. These data were gathered from a review of public websites and EPA's <u>Diese Emissions Reduction Act (DERA), grant funding</u> for the ports featured in the Bureau of Transportation Statistics' Port Performance Freight Statistics: Annual Report to Congress from <u>2018</u> and <u>2019</u>. To see examples of where each practice is in place, select a button below the map. To learn details about a specific port's practices, select a port on the map and then click on the "Go to Port Profile" button.

Questions or comments? Contact us at talkaboutports@epa.gov.



www.epa.gov/ports-initiative/best-port-wide-planning-practices-improve-air-quality

# **EPA Funding Opportunities to Support EJ Efforts**



- Environmental Justice Grants
  - See <u>FY21 Ports Initiative EJ Small Grant</u> examples
- Community AQ Monitoring Grants
- Diesel Emissions Reduction Act (DERA) Grants
  - Priority for port and other goods movement projects
  - Extra points for inventories, clean air plans, community engagement
- New programs in Inflation Reduction Act more details to come. For example:
  - \$3B funding program to reduce air pollution at ports
  - \$3B climate and environmental justice block grant program

### **Keep in touch**



# EPA's Ports Initiative website and newsletter sign-up:

www.epa.gov/ports-initiative

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