

VENTURA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION OXNARD HARBOR DISTRICT NOVEMBER 2, 2012

Ventura County Transportation Commission and the Oxnard Harbor District

VCTC – Role in Countywide freight movement/ mobility and Port access



- OHD Activities at the Port of Hueneme
- ❖ Rail Freight Union pacific Railroad Freight on the Coast mainline and Rail America Port Service
- Freight Movement Stakeholders opportunity to address the two Commissions
- Questions & Answers and Next Steps.....Freight Movement Forward

Freight Movement in Ventura County

Freight Movement in Ventura County is significant and has been a focus across time.

In 2010 in southern California, 1.15 billion tons of cargo valued over \$ 2 trillion moved through the region's transportation system.



\$ 7 billion in trade moves through the Port of Hueneme annually, supporting 4500 jobs and generating \$650 million for Ventura County's economy.

VCTC Engagement in freight movement

Regionally

- **❖** Partnered with SCAG in the 2000 Port Access Study
- **❖** Participated in the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority's Managed Multi County Goods Movement Action Plan
- **❖** Signatory to the southern California National Freight Corridor Collaborative Agreement

State

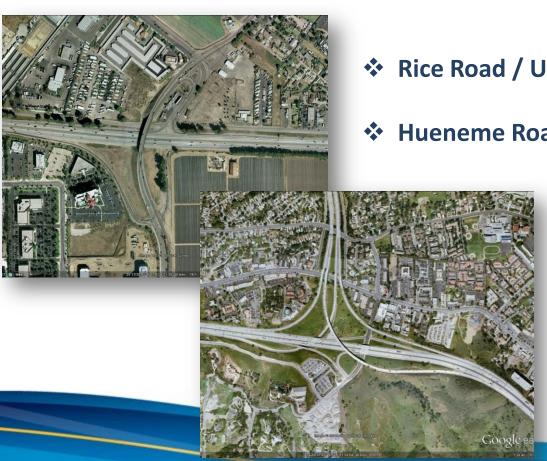
- **❖** Worked with Caltrans in the Goods Movement Action Plan (GMAP)
- ❖ Will continue working with Caltrans on the update to GMAP, the Freight Mobility Plan

Federal

❖ As a member of Mobility 21 VCTC was engaged at the national level

VCTC Engagement in freight movement

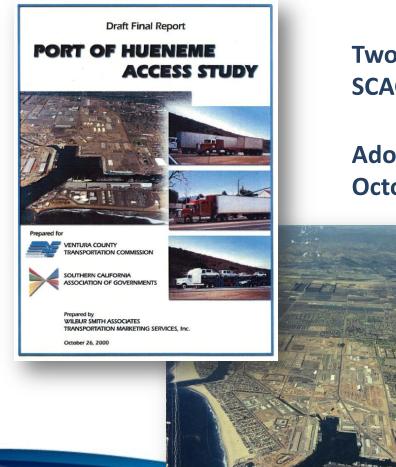
Through its involvement in freight movement VCTC secured Proposition 1B **Trade Corridor Improvement Funds (TCIF)**



- Rice Road / US 101 improvements
- Hueneme Road widening

❖ US 101 / SR 23 improvements

Port of Hueneme Access Study



Two Port Access studies funded through SCAG have been completed.

Adopted in November of 1988 and October of 2000

The studies build upon one another and to make recommendations in anticipation of regional growth and increased activity at the Port.

Port of Hueneme Access Study

The 2000 study found:



- ❖ 40% of truck traffic had origin/destinations within the local area.
- ❖ 30% of truck traffic had origin/destinations within the greater Los Angeles area.
- ❖ 30% of truck traffic had origin/destinations through the remainder of California or beyond.

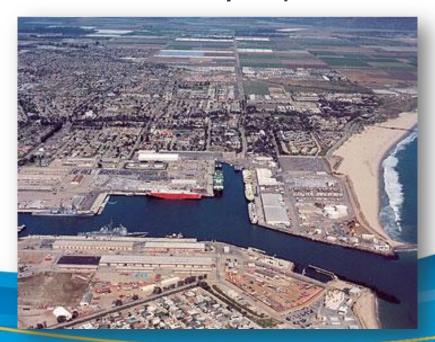
Port of Hueneme Access Study Highway Utilization



- ❖ 46% of Port truck traffic utilized Highway 101
- ❖ 33% of Port truck traffic utilized Highway 126
- Less than 20% of Port truck traffic utilized Highway 118

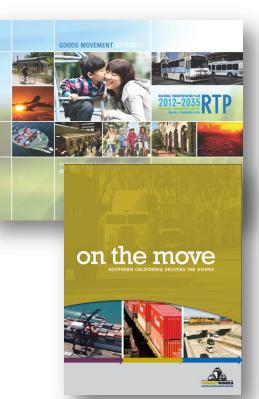
Port of Hueneme Access Study Recommended Improvements

- Rice Avenue extension
- ❖ Re-evaluation of truck routes through the cities of Oxnard and Port Hueneme
- "Cross Port Roadway" study
- **❖** Victoria Avenue study (Channel Islands Blvd. to Hwy 126)
- Upgrades to Hueneme Road
- **Santa Clara Ave. improvements**
- 118 Bypass feasibility study
- Increasing rail options



Southern California Association of Governments 2012 Regional Transportation Plan

- Proposes regional incentives and projects totaling\$50 billion through 2035
- Zero emission freight corridors including, the I-710, an east – west corridor, and an initial segment of the I-15
- Regional rail package including, main-line capacity enhancements, on-dock and near-dock facility improvements and grade separations
- Other projects including port access improvements and congestion alleviation at critical border crossings



2012 Regional Transportation Plan Ventura County Freight Movement Projects

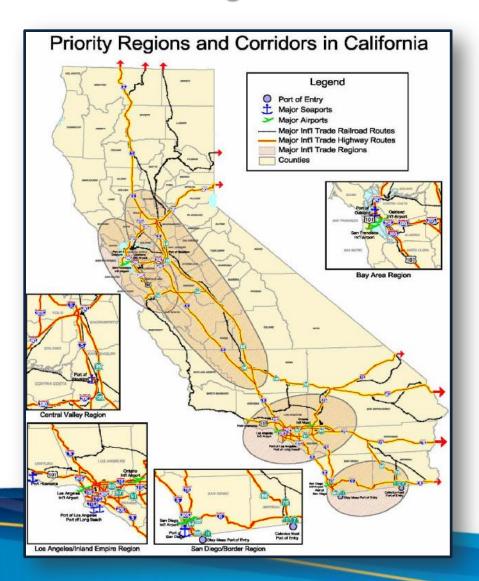
- **Reconstruct Rice Avenue Interchange**
- Hueneme Road from Oxnard City Limits to Rice Road
 - Widen from 2 lanes to 4
- Hueneme Road from Saviers Road to Arcturus
 - Widen from 2 lanes to 4
- **❖** Improve US 101/ SR 23 interchange

Grade Separation

❖ Construct railroad grade separation at Fifth Street and Rice



Freight movement and the State of California



- ❖ GMAP, The Good Movement Action Plan was issued by the California business, Transportation and Housing Agency and the California Environmental Protection Agency in two phases in 2002 and 2007. GMAP guides project selection.
- \$2 billion Trade Corridors Improvement Fund (TCIF) program
- Highway Safety, Traffic reduction, Air Quality and Port Security Bond Act of 2006 (Proposition 1B)

Moving Ahead For Progress in the 21st Century (MAP 21)

Provides no new funding

- Requires DOT to establish a national freight network
- Requires DOT to establish a national freight strategic plan
- Requires DOT to develop data and tools to support freight investment
- ❖ Authorizes DOT to allow a maximum Federal share of 95% for an Interstate System Project or 90% for a non-Interstate System project if the project improves freight movement and is in a State Freight plan.
- **Requires DOT to develop new rules towards trucking**





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