



NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF A DRAFT SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

Date:	March 25, 2025
Lead Agency:	Port of Long Beach
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Project Title:	Pier B On-Dock Rail Support Facility Project
Harbor Development Permit Application No.:	07-021
Project Location:	Cities of Long Beach and Los Angeles, County of Los Angeles. Generally situated between Dominguez Channel to the west, Interstate 710 (I-710) to the east, Ocean Boulevard/Pier E to the south, and West 15th Street to the north.

Purpose of this Notice of Preparation: In accordance with State California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines (14 California Code of Regulations [CCR] Section 15082), the City of Long Beach Harbor Department (Port of Long Beach, POLB or Port), acting by and through its Board of Harbor Commissioners (BHC) as the Lead Agency has prepared this Notice of Preparation (NOP) to inform agencies and interested parties that a Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (SEIR) will be prepared, consistent with Section 15163 of the CEQA Guidelines, for proposed modifications to the Pier B On-Dock Rail Support Facility Project (Project). An initial study has been prepared to determine the environmental factors to be studied in greater detail in the SEIR. The SEIR will supplement the Pier B On-Dock Rail Support Facility Project Final Environmental Impact Report. **This NOP initiates a 30-day public review and comment period starting on March 25, 2025 and ending on April 24, 2025 at 4 p.m.**

Project Background: In December 2016, pursuant to CEQA, the Port of Long Beach issued a Notice of Availability for the Draft EIR for the Project (State Clearinghouse No. 2009081079). In January 2018, the BHC certified the Final EIR, approved the 12th Street Alternative, and adopted a Statement of Overriding Considerations and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program. In August 2023, following certification of the Final EIR, POLB adopted an Addendum to the Pier B Project Final EIR.

Project Location and Setting: The Pier B Project site is located across three POLB Planning Districts (the Northeast Harbor, North Harbor and Middle Harbor), and also includes the Wilmington-Harbor City Community Plan area of the City of Los Angeles. The Pier B Project site is generally situated between Dominguez Channel to the west, Interstate 710 (I-710) to the east, Ocean Boulevard/Pier E to the south, and West 15th Street to the north.

Project Description: The proposed Project modifications involve expansion of the previous project area in several discreet locations, and consists of the following project elements:

- **D52-D54 Transit Shed Modifications.** Demolition of a portion of the D52-D54 Transit Shed to accommodate realignment of Pico Avenue and site reconfigurations on the west side of existing Pico Avenue.
- **12th Street Sewer Line Installation.** Extension of a 36-inch-diameter sewer along W 12th Street between Harbor Avenue and Fashion Avenue.
- **Control Point Foote Wye Track.** Relocation of the Control Point (CP) Foote Wye to be compatible with the revised mainline track configurations in the CP Crucero area, including the relocation, removal and/or



protection-in-place of water, gas, storm drain, electrical, communication, and oil utilities to accommodate the relocated rail tracks.

- **West Water Street Utility Connections.** Sewer and water line construction to serve the new compressed air building.
- **Street Vacations/Closures.** Grant Street and Southern Pacific Drive, within the City of Los Angeles, require closure to accommodate track realignment work.
- **Dominguez Channel Rail Bridge Contractor Area.** Temporary construction area needed for laydown and activities related to the construction of the security wall under the existing and widened Dominguez Channel Bridge.

Potential Environmental Impacts: Based on the Initial Study, the proposed Project would potentially result in significant environmental impacts to Cultural Resources, Noise, and Tribal Cultural Resources, which fall within the “Mandatory Findings of Significance” contained in Section 15065 of the State CEQA Guidelines. Therefore, the potential environmental impacts to Cultural Resources, Noise, and Tribal Cultural Resources will be discussed and analyzed in the SEIR to the EIR previously certified in 2018 and the addendum to the EIR approved in 2023 for the Pier B On-Dock Rail Support Facility Project. Mitigation will be developed and included in the SEIR, if necessary, to address the proposed Project’s potentially significant effects.

Document Availability: The NOP can electronically be accessed on the Port of Long Beach website at: <https://www.polb.com/ceqa>. A physical copy of the NOP will be available for viewing at the following locations:

*Port of Long Beach Administration Building
Environmental Planning Division, 7th Floor
415 West Ocean Boulevard
Long Beach, California 90802*

*Billie Jean King Main Library
200 West Broadway
Long Beach, California 90802*


*Bret Harte Neighborhood Library
1595 West Willow Street
Long Beach, California 90810*

*Wilmington Branch Library
1300 North Avalon Boulevard
Wilmington, California 90744*

Public Review Period: The 30-day NOP comment period begins on March 25, 2025, and ends on April 24, 2025. Written comments must be received by 4 p.m. on April 24, 2025.

Written Comments: Please send comments to Ms. Renee Moilanen, Director of Environmental Planning, either electronically via email to ceqa@polb.com or by standard U.S. mail to Port of Long Beach, 415 West Ocean Boulevard, Long Beach, California 90802. Please include your name, address, and contact information in your correspondence.

For More Information: Please contact the project manager, Alex Holford, Environmental Specialist at alex.holford@polb.com or (562) 283-7100.

Signed:  Date: 3/12/2025
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