

# **North Carolina Ports**

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## **North Carolina Ports Overview**

- Two deep water ports in Wilmington and Morehead City, as well as an inland port in Charlotte
- Terminal facilities serve container, bulk, breakbulk and ro/ro operations
- Strategically located on the East Coast within 700 miles of 70% of the U.S. industrial base



# **Ports Support North Carolina**



2022 Economic Contribution of the North Carolina Ports
Institute for Transportation Research and Education,
N.C. State University

# Defining Performance Excellence

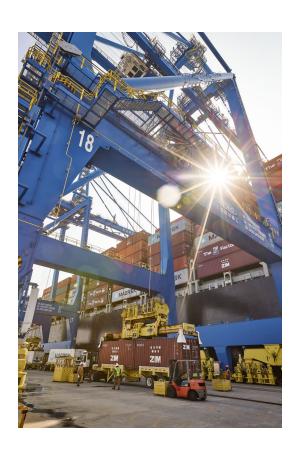
### **2022 Container Port Performance Index (CPPI)**

(World Bank and S&P Global Market Intelligence)

- #1 North America
- #44 Globally (out of 348 ports)

### **Metrics Driven**

- Vessel productivity 39 net moves per hour
- Gate productivity
  - Single turn 21 minutes
  - Dual turn 31 minutes



# Infrastructure

# Wilmington Capital Improvements

Infrastructure Improvement Plan		
Project	Status	
Berth Expansion	Complete	
212' Air Draft Clearance	Complete	
3 Neo-Panamax Cranes	Complete	
Turning Basin Expansion – Phase II	Complete	
Container Yard Expansion Master Plan	In Progress	
Refrigerated Container Yard Expansion	Phase I Complete Phase II Complete	
Gate Complex + Terminal and Gate Operating Systems + Customer Access Portal + Chassis Yard	Complete	
Wilmington Harbor Navigation Improvement Project	Conditionally Authorized	
Intermodal Rail Yard	In Progress	
New North Gate	In Progress	
North Property Rail Storage	In Progress	

# Refrigerated Container Yard



### **Project Details**

Completion of Phase 2 brings reefer plug total to more than 1,500

## Intermodal Rail Yard

### **Project Details**

- Construction to begin in March 2024
- Will provide four new working tracks totaling 5,000 linear feet
- Project completion will increase capacity to 50,000 intermodal rail movements annually



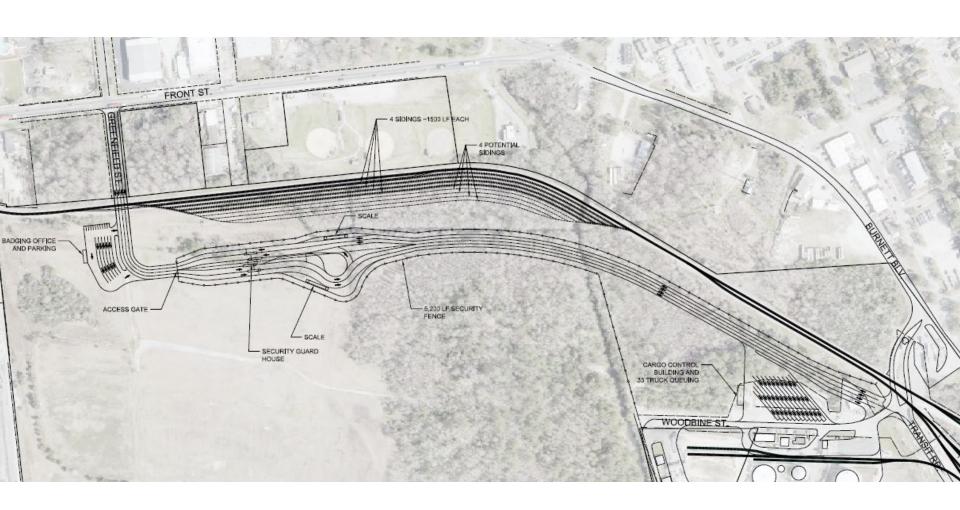
# New North Gate & North Property Rail Storage

### **New North Gate**

- Construct a new port entrance for General Cargo
- Close the gap of the first/last mile for trucks
- Eliminate truck delays and congestion at a very active railroad crossing and take trucks off neighborhood surface streets
- Project includes:
  - 4,000 feet of elevated bi-directional roadway
  - New security checkpoint
  - Truck queuing and cargo control area
  - Badging office with EV charging infrastructure
  - State of the art gate and terminal technology integration

### **North Property Rail Storage**

6,000 linear feet rail storage track



# Carrier Services & Inland Reach

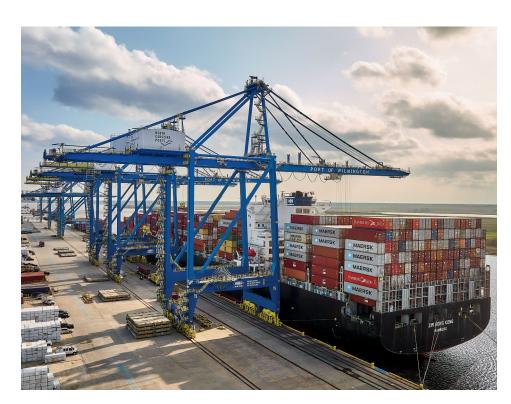
# Ocean Carrier Coverage

#### Asia

 Qingdao, Yantian, Ningbo, Shanghai, Busan, Singapore, Xiamen

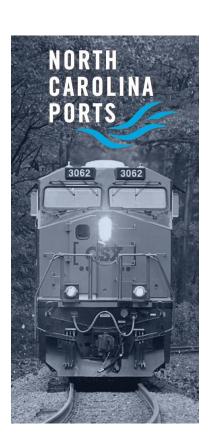
### Europe

- Antwerp, Southampton, Cork
- Central America, Caribbean
   & South America
  - Mariel, Santo Tomas,
     Puerto Cortes, Cartagena,
     Turbo, Manzanillo, Puerto
     Moin, Puerto Barrios,
     Managua, San Salvador



# **Queen City Express**

- Provides direct rail service moving double-stacked containers between the Port of Wilmington and Charlotte
- Advantages:
  - Lower transportation costs
  - Shortest direct rail service connecting Greater Charlotte Region
  - Shortens first and last mile transit
  - Reduces emissions
  - No dwell time at Port of Wilmington or Charlotte Inland Port (CIP)
  - Flexible staging and easy access at CIP



# Wilmington Midwest Express

- Operated by CSX via Rocky Mount, NC Carolina Connector Intermodal Rail Facility
- Competitive rates, combined with no port congestion and no rail dwell making it the fastest ship-to-rail service on the East Coast



Import			
Chicago	5 days		
NW Ohio	5 days		
St. Louis	7 days		

Export			
Chicago	$\longrightarrow$	4 days	
NW Ohio	$\longrightarrow$	4 days	
St. Louis	$\longrightarrow$	6 days	

# **Looking Toward the Future**

- Continued growth of cargo volumes
- Expand the global coverage of vessel services
- Engage and support state-wide economic development projects
- Develop the talent pipeline
- Build the NC Ports brand

