Port of Memphis Strategic Master Plan
CREATION

- 1947 – State Enabling Legislation
- 1951 – City of Memphis and Shelby County charter
- 1955 – Office constructed
- 2011 – EDGE created
- Non tax supported agency
- 7 board members: 5 EDGE and 2 mayoral ex-officio’s
- 4 directors since 1951
- 6 full time staff
PORT PROPERTY

**Presidents Island**
- 7,500 total acres
- 1,200 acres industrial
- 3,000 acres agricultural
- 3,300 acres wooded
- TN Wildlife Management Area (WMA)

**Pidgeon Industrial Area**
- 8,100 total acres
- 650 available acres
- 2,500 acres public utilities
- 1,850 acres private industrial sites
- 3,100 acres wooded
Port of Memphis Impact

- 5th largest inland port in the United States
- $9.27 billion annual economic impact
- 173 industrial locations in the port
- 14,000 annual rail car movements
- 12.2 million tons of waterborne commerce
- 9,128 direct jobs & 13,337 indirect jobs (combined 22,465)
- Job multiplier of 4.7
- Total annual wage impact of $1.4 billion
- $44.6 million in local tax revenues
Master Plan Scope

- Port facility & infrastructure assessment
- Target Business Marketing Analysis
- Economic Impact Analysis
- Development opportunities and strategies
- Port labor study
- Funding opportunities
- Aesthetics/Security
- Environmental, Geotech and Cultural
- Tenant interviews/Stakeholder input

- Impediments to Growth
- Maintenance Priorities
- Growth Priorities
- Target Industries
Growth Impediments

Presidents Island

1. Lack of Industrial Space
2. Access Constraints
   a. Roadways
   b. Rail
   c. Mississippi River
3. Aging Infrastructure (70 years old)
   a. Roadway resurfacing
   b. Utilities
   c. Publicly owned structures

Pidgeon

1. Roadway Access
   a. Shelby Drive extension
   b. EDGE property access road
2. Land underutilization
3. Poor soil compaction
Maintenance Priorities

- President’s Island Outflow Structures
- Presidents Island Industrial Road Resurfacing
- Riverport Road Industrial Road Resurfacing
- Riverport Road Cypress Creek Bridge Transition
Growth Priorities

- President’s Island Industrial Site Expansion
- MLG&W Pidgeon Industrial Park Peninsula Utilization
- TVA Pidgeon Industrial Park Property Acquisition and Utilization
- Property Acquisition Program
- Public Terminal Redevelopment
  - Create President’s Island Short Line Railroad
  - Property Acquisition Program
- EDGE Property Access Roadway in Pidgeon Industrial Park
- Shelby Drive Access Road Into Pidgeon Industrial Park
Target Industries

Intermodal Logistics and Distribution

Agricultural Processing and Food Production

Empty Container & Trailer Pools

Steel Finishing and Production

Waste Paper and Plastics Recycling
Container on Vessel

- High Volume container and/or bulk marine terminal
- Worldwide import/export market access by ocean shipments
Questions?

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