



Texas Ports Association

Priority for Issues for USACE

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- 18 member ports
 - Border to border
 - Deep and shallow draft
- 25% of U.S. total waterborne tonnage
- Share common challenges

Top Priorities

- Real estate processes, including licensing
- Tipping fee fairness/market rates
- Non-Federal dike work
- Non-Federal use of placement areas
- Section 408 processes



Complementary Issues

- Funding to assure consistent dredging cycles
- Cost sharing of dikes
- Mission priorities/communications
- Sediment testing
- PA recoordination
- Section 217 agreements



TPA's Challenge to the Corps



- Communicate well, and often
- Assess the impact of policies and procedures on ports
- Consider what serves the public interest
- If it doesn't work, let's fix it as a team

Every issue resolved, and every success is applauded by the entire Texas coast