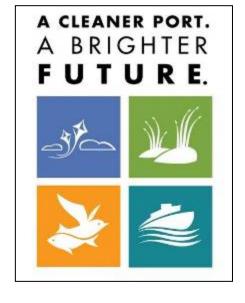
# Implementing an EMS



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## Agenda

- EMS Drivers
- Fenceline and Duration
- Benefits
- Challenges and Lessons Learned
- Compliance
- Keys to Success
- Terminal Operators and EMS









#### **EMS Drivers**





- Improve environmental compliance
- Increase environmental awareness
- In addition:
  - Reduce loss of institutional knowledge from staff retirement
  - Better define C&M and EMD personnel's operational roles and responsibilities for environmental management
  - Improve awareness, communication, and integration of environmental issues within operations



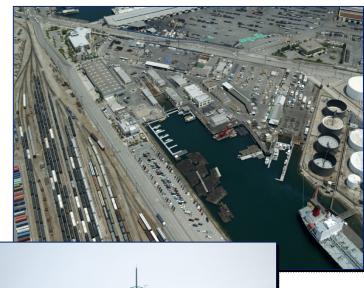






#### **EMS Fenceline**

- Construction and Maintenance Division
  - Provides maintenance services to all Port-owned facilities
  - 250+ Personnel
  - Represented crafts
    - Electricians, equipment operators, gardeners, painters, laborers, mechanics, machinists, plumbers, roofers, crane mechanics, pile drivers, tree trimmers and carpenters
  - Facility
    - Offices, equipment storage, and shops for each craft







#### **EMS Timeline**

- 2004 Program Initiation and Planning AAPA
   & US EPA Port EMS Assistance Program
- 2005 Planning and Initial Implementation
- 2006 Implementation and Checking
- 2007 ISO 14001 Certification
- Ongoing: Upkeep, maintenance and improvement!





#### **EMS Benefits**

- Established Process to Identify and Prioritize Risks
- 'Buy-in' and Ownership of Environmental Performance
- Strengthened Inter-Division Communication
- Improved Environmental Awareness
- Leadership in Environmental Management
- Tool development
  - Clear process flowcharts
  - Training database







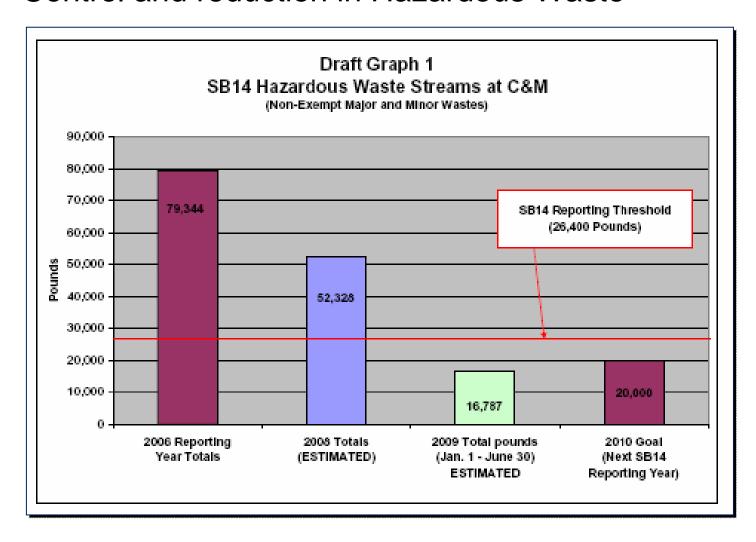






#### **EMS Benefits Continued**

Control and reduction in Hazardous Waste







#### **EMS Benefits Continued**

- Established a wood waste recycling program
- Developed an environmentally preferable purchasing policy
- Completed 3 EMS training videos
- Identified and implemented compliance equipment needs
  - Flammable storage cabinets
  - Controlled hazardous waste storage shed
- Documented employee institutional knowledge





### **EMS Challenges & Lessons Learned**

- Set EMS objectives and targets that are controllable within the fenceline
- Capturing informal internal processes on paper was time consuming, but, extremely valuable
- Carefully manage transitions between EMS Team Leaders
- Maintain a focus on compliance
- Certification was key to program upkeep





## Compliance

- Provide structure and function to compliance program
- Systematically address issues
- Continue to help assess and prioritize key compliance areas

- Past success: Focus on hazardous waste and stormwater management
- Current: Focus on improvements in air quality







## **EMS Keys to Success**

- Employee involvement in development to ensure buy-in
- Maintain momentum during development
- Regular audits: Strong audit team is crucial
- Effective root cause corrective action
- Consider ISO 14001 certification to ensure program longevity
- Continually improve













## **EMS Success**

ISO 14001 Certified!





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### Port Terminals and EMS



## Conclusion

Thank you. Questions?

