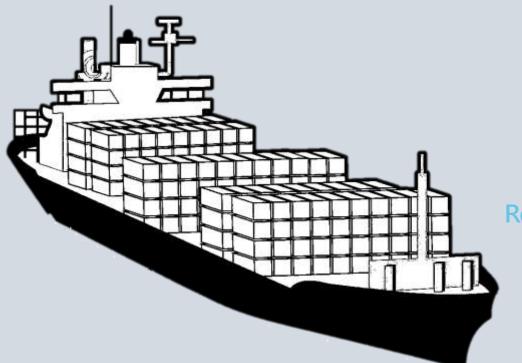


U.S. Committee on the Marine Transportation System

American Association of Port Authorities August 30, 2016



106 Million

**Ferry Passengers** 

32.2 Million

**Recreational Boating Households** 

10.9 Million **Cruise Ship Passengers** 

71.6% 44.2% by weight

by value





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## Authorization of the CMTS

## U.S. Ocean Action Plan (2005)

This Plan contained a Presidential Directive to establish a cabinet-level interagency committee on the marine transportation system (MTS).

Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Act (2012), PL 112-213:





**Chair**: Secretary of Transportation by Charter (Secretary Anthony Foxx) **Members**: Secretaries of 14 Departments and Independent Agencies

#### **COORDINATING BOARD**

**Chair**: Rotates yearly between DOT, DHS, DOD, DOC (RADM Paul Thomas, DHS) **Members**: Leadership of Agencies and Offices of designated member Department and Independent Federal Agencies, White House Ex-Officio Members

#### **EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT**

Executive Director and dedicated staff to facilitate meetings, support CMTS work plan and activities.

#### **WORKING GROUP**

Interagency staff of member agencies to provide liaison to Coordinating Board and expertise to Integrated Action Teams and Task Teams

**INTEGRATED ACTION TEAMS** 

**TASK TEAMS** 



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# 2015-16 Priorities

- MTS Infrastructure Investment
- U.S. Arctic Marine Transportation
- Navigation Services and Technology
- Maritime Data Coordination
- **R&D** Strategy
- MTS Resilience
- Maritime Energy Collaboration
- Supporting Veterans hiring
- Promoting the value of the MTS



#### Infrastructure Investment

The Infrastructure Investment Integrated Action Team (IAT) was established to facilitate the development of broad evaluation and decision criteria that can be used across Government programs for informing Federal infrastructure investment. The team also focuses on developing tools that are value-added for practitioners at the local and non-Federal level as well as the Federal stakeholders.



Leads: Treasury, USACE, DOT

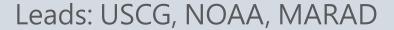


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### **U.S. Arctic Policy**

Through the Arctic Marine Shipping IAT recommendations and member agency actions, maritime transportation in the U.S. Arctic will be better managed and made more safe and secure, resulting in more efficient transits, greater protection of Arctic coastal and ocean resources, maintenance of subsistence uses by native communities, and less risk to loss of cargo and life.







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## **Maritime Safety**

The CMTS Future of Navigation IAT will facilitate the coordinated and integrated collection, processing, and dissemination of navigation data and information to provide services to stakeholders, eliminate duplication, and enhance the safety, reliability, and efficiency of our waterways and ports.

Leads: NOAA, USACE, USCG



#### **Maritime Data**

The Maritime Data IAT serves as the CMTS's body of experts on the discovery, access, and sharing capacity of data related to the operation and governance of the MTS. The work of the Maritime Data IAT includes facilitating the identification, archiving, linking, and integration of authoritative data from agencies with equities in maritime data.

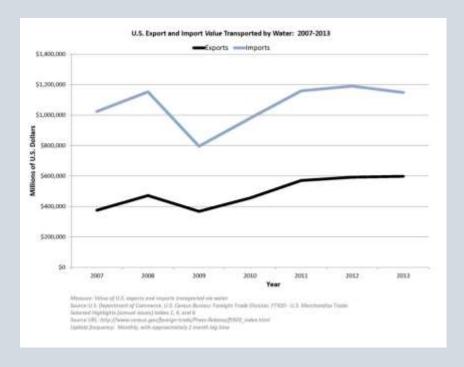
Leads: MARAD, USACE



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## **Marine Transportation** System Research & **Development**

A coordinated R&D strategy supported by the Research and Development IAT will enable the Nation to address marine transportation infrastructure challenges efficiently, meet increasing freight demand, promote safety in and security of the MTS, and address the environmental impacts of the MTS.



Lead: USACE

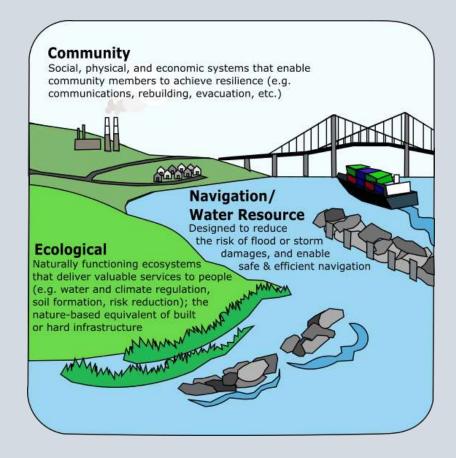


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## Marine Transportation System Resilience

The mission of the Resilience IAT is to foster interagency exchange and co-production to incorporate the concepts of resilience into the operation and management of the U.S. Marine Transportation System. For the purposes of this team, resilience is defined as the ability to prepare and plan for, resist, recover from, and more successfully adapt to the impacts of adverse events.

Leads: USACE, NOAA





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### Maritime Energy and Air **Emissions**

The Maritime Energy and Air **Emissions Working Group is** established to provide a forum for Federal agencies with an interest in or program related to maritime use of alternative fuels and technologies to reduce air emissions and improve energy efficiency.

Leads: MARAD, DOE



#### **Activities:**

- Project collaboration
- **Education and Outreach**
- Maritime Energy

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Air Emissions R&D

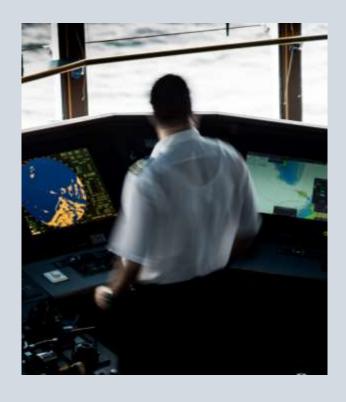


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### Military to Mariner

The Military to Mariner (M2M) Initiative helps coordinate Federal efforts to facilitate the transition from military service to civilian employment in the U.S. Merchant Marine and/or other positions within the Marine Transportation System. Military seaservice veterans have specialized training and experience needed in the MTS and can fill a growing demand for skilled workers in the U.S. Merchant Marine.



Leads: MARAD, MSC



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