

PORTCORPUSCHRISTI

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The Port of Corpus Christi serves as a navigation district and political subdivision of the State of Texas governed by a seven member commission.

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Commissioners are appointed by three governmental bodies:

- *Corpus Christi City Council* - 3 members.
- *Nueces County Commissioner's Court* - 3 members.
- *San Patricio Commissioner's Court* - 1 member.

Brief History

- September 14, 1926 - Opened for commercial trade
- Originally opened as a cotton port.
- Channel improvements.:
 - 1925 – 25 ft.
 - 1935 – 30 ft.
 - 1948 – 36 ft.
 - 1966 – 40 ft.
 - 1989 – 45 ft.



The La Quinta Trade Gateway container terminal is a key component of the Port's long-range diversification plan. La Quinta's 1,100-acre site will accommodate a modern multi-modal facility accessible by uncongested channels, highways and railroads.

Presently, the Port has secured a Memorandum of Understanding with Zachary American Infrastructure, Inc. for the development of the La Quinta Terminal.



Tianjin Pipe (Group) Corporation

- Pipe mill investment means \$1 billion for area
- Strategically located near La Quinta
- Largest Oil Country Tubular Goods (OCTG) production base in China
- Enjoys over 40% of the domestic OCTG market share
- Exports to over 60 countries





Entrance

600'
West
Wharf

1,100'
Double Deck
Pier

1,800'
East Wharf
45' Water

600'
East
Pier

Naval Station Ingleside

Wind Turbine activity



- Texas is the #1 wind energy state in the nation
- Current customers: GE, Vestas, Siemens, Clipper
- Harbor Sunrise wind farm project under development at POCCA

Las Brisas Energy Center

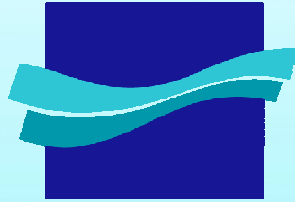
Project Description

Proposes building a 1,320 gross megawatt (MW) state-of-the-art electric generating facility on the north side of the Port of Corpus Christi's Inner Harbor. This circulating Fluidized bed (CFB) facility will be designated to minimize environmental impacts, and be clean and efficient. Project completion is expected by early 2013.

Economic Benefits

- Will create 1,300 direct jobs and 2,600 indirect jobs during the construction phase, for an initial economic impact of \$2.5-\$3 billion;
- More than 90% of these jobs will come from Nueces and San Patricio counties;
- Will create 80-100 direct jobs and 150-175 indirect jobs once operating, for an economic impact of \$20-\$30 million in annual wages;
- Permanent jobs will be long-term, with starting annual salaries averaging \$75,000 plus excellent healthcare and retirement benefits





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Questions?