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PREPARING FOR 2014

PRESENTED MAY 2012



PortMiami Statistics

Economic Impact: Over \$18 Billion

- Supports 180,000 jobs directly and indirectly
- "Cargo Gateway of the Americas"
 - Approximately 900,000 TEUs in 2011
 - •Top Trading Partners: China, Hong Kong, Honduras, Dominican Republic, & Germany
 - Top Imports: tiles, textiles, fruits, & vegetables
- "Cruise Capital of the World"
 - More than 4 million passengers in 2011



Where We Are Today

Miami Harbor, Florida





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How We Get There

<u>Tunnel</u>



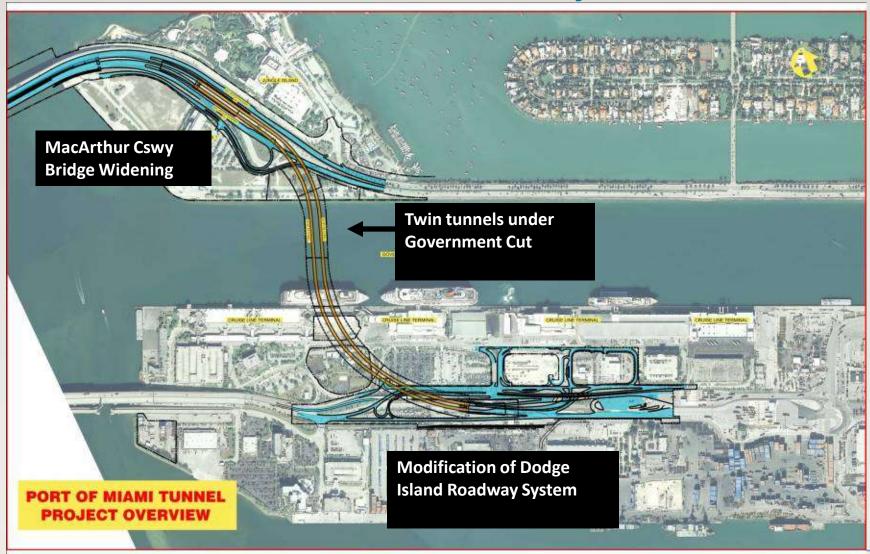
Rail



Dredge



PortMiami Tunnel Project



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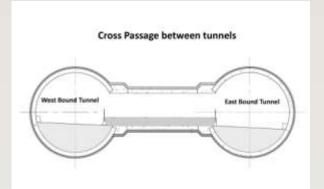
Tunnels are 3900 ft. long

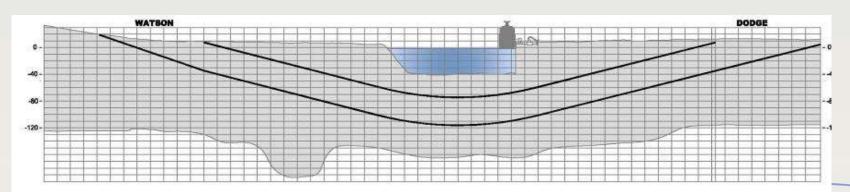
+40 ft. under the bottom of Main Channel

5% Grade

5 cross passages







Tunnel Progress













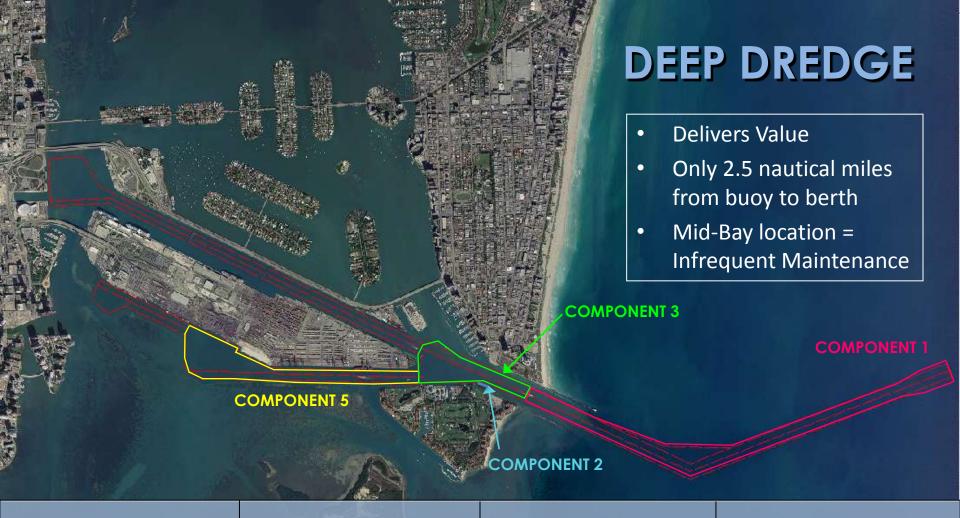
Restoration of Rail

- TIGER II award of \$22.7M
- Partnership with Florida East Coast Railway and Florida Department of Transportation
- Project includes
 - Intermodal Yard on the Port
 - Rail Bridge Improvements
 - Upgrade existing rail track to accommodate double stack freight



Intermodal Yard





Component 1:

Widen seaward portion of Cut-1 from 500 to 800 feet; deepen Cut-1 and Cut-2 from 44 to 52 feet

Component 2:

Add turn widener at the southern intersection of Cut-3 with Fisherman's Channel and deepen to 50 feet

Component 3:

Increase Fisher Island turning basin from 1200 to 1500 feet; truncate NE section of the turning basin to minimize seagrass impacts; deepen from 42 to 50 feet

Component 5:

Expand berthing area by 60 feet and widen southern edge of Fisherman's Channel 40 ft; reduce Lummus Island turning basin to a 1500 ft dia.; deepen from 42 to 50 ft

Project Scope

- Request for Proposal
 - Approximately 5,000,000 CY of dredging
 - EPA designated offshore site
 - Rock material for artificial reef habitat
 - Borrow sites for seagrass mitigation
 - Estimate 4,000,000 CY of Rock
 - Confined Blasting will be Allowed





Offshore Disposal Area

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Mitigation for Hardbottom Impacts

- Artificial Reef Creation 9.28 acres
- Coral Relocation
 - All hard corals >25cm
 - Up to 1300 hard corals between 10 and 25 cm

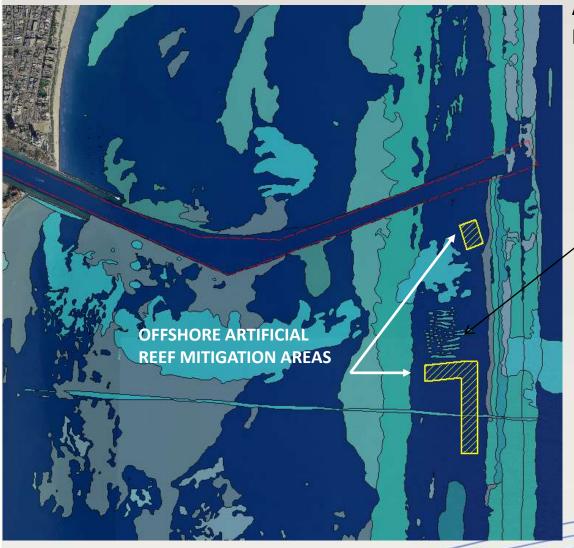






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Reef Mitigation Success

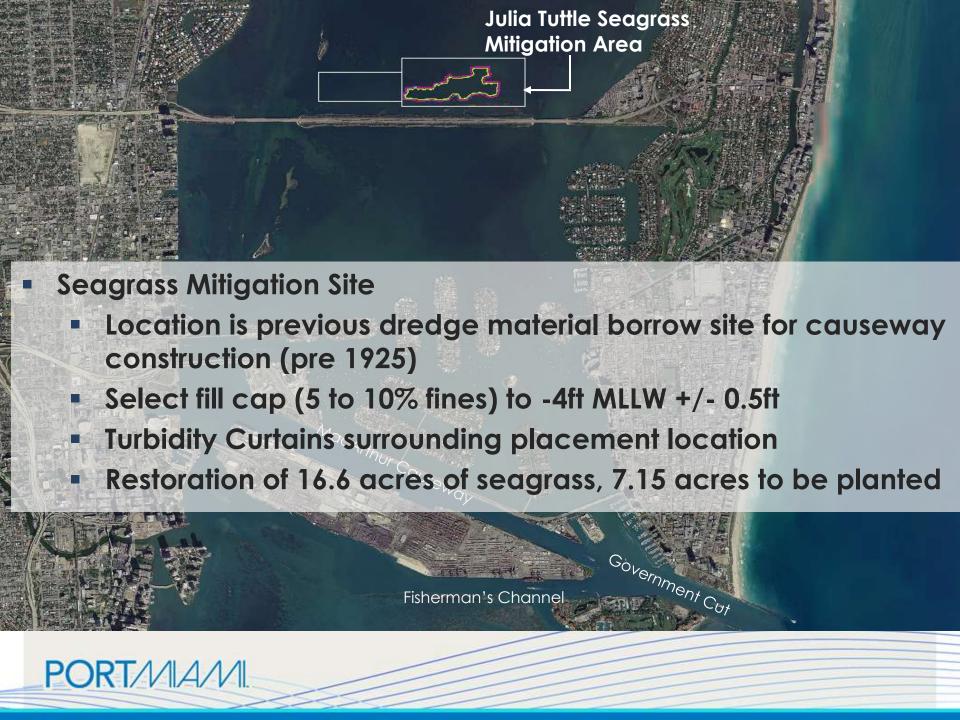


ADJACENT SUCCESSFUL PREVIOUS PORT MITIGATION SITE





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Biscayne Bay, FL



 Post construction success is expected to be high because the area is surrounded by existing high density seagrass beds



Construction Monitoring

- Turbidity Monitoring
- Sedimentation Monitoring
- Secondary Impacts-Visual with

Divers Twice a Week

- Hardbottom and Corals
- Seagrass Beds

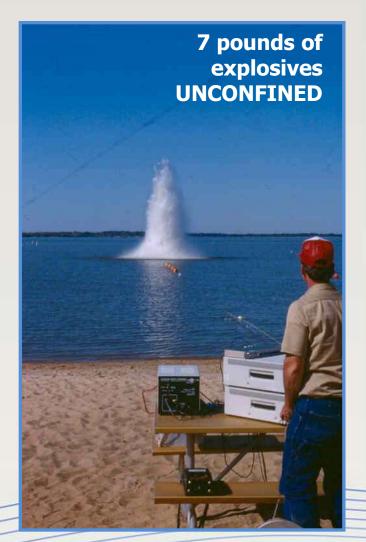




Confined vs Unconfined Blasts

3000 pounds of explosives CONFINED





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Monitoring Methods

- Observation techniques & data collection
- Ensure Safety of Marine Mammals and Protected Species
- Six Vessel and Aerial Observers





Two small boats on water – east and west of drill barge



Aerial

Drill barge



Typical Blast Timeline

- 2 HOURS

Notice to Project Team and Local Authorities

-1 HOUR

Marine Mammal Watch Begins



- 15 MINUTES

Notice to Mariners (channel closes) - 1 MINUTE

Fish Scare

DELAY CAPSULE: If an animal is observed in either the danger or safety zones, the blast is delayed to monitor the animal until it leaves, on its own, from both the danger and safety zones.









+ 5 MINUTES

All Clear Signal

+ 30 MINUTES

Marine Mammal Watch Ends



Project Schedule

- May 2012 Design Compete
- Summer 2012 Advertise
- Fall 2012 Award Contract
- Winter 2013 Commence Work
- Winter 2015 Complete Work



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