



2015 NPRN/AAPA Strategic Port Workshop

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National Port Readiness Network
and
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Venue: DOT HQ Washington, DC

Wednesday, April 22, 2015

(AAPA Spring Conference is April 20-21, 2015)

Workshop Theme: *“Back to Basics – A Focus on Readiness”*

Workshop Objectives

1. Provide leadership an opportunity to emphasize the critical roles of the National Port Readiness Network (NPRN), the commercial transportation industry, and the U.S. transportation infrastructure in supporting DOD deployments to all stakeholders.
2. Encourage continued focus by commercial strategic port authorities and Port Readiness Committees (PRCs) on maintaining and improving readiness to support military deployments despite reduced operational tempo.
3. Develop recommendations for NPRN process improvements and enhancing the readiness posture of the commercial strategic ports and to receive and process the Department of Defense (DOD) cargo during contingency operations.
4. Provide training.

AGENDA

0800 – 0830 **Registration - Lunch Fee**

0830 – 0900 **Workshop Welcome**

Speakers: Maritime Administrator - Hon. Paul N. Jaenichen

AAPA President - Mr. Kurt J. Nagle (tentative)

or

AAPA Chairman of the Board - Kristin Decas - Port of Hueneme (tentative)

0900 – 1015

Workshop Focus: Improving Readiness (*what can be done to improve readiness, what are the challenges to commercial strategic seaports to support major MOLs, other deployment issues, Port Readiness Committee perspective, etc...*)

Moderator: Mr. Kevin Tokarski - Associate Administrator for Strategic Sealift, MARAD - Chair, NPRN Steering Group (NPRNSG)

USTRANSCOM: Mr. Kenneth Watson - Deputy Director, Strategy, Capabilities, Policy, and Logistics - NPRNSG

SDDC: Col. David Gaffney - Deputy Commander , SDDC - NPRNSG

USCG: Mr. Joe Conroy, Chief, Office of Maritime Security Response Policy (CG-MSR), USCG - NPRNSG

Strategic Port: David C. Fisher - Executive Director, Port of Beaumont - Chair, AAPA National Defense Subcommittee

1015-1030

Break

1030 -1145

Concurrent Break-Out Session # 1

Room A

Enhancing the Military / Commercial Port Partnerships and Interactions: Operational Issues, Proposed New Initiatives, and Recommendations:

Moderators: Port Representative, (TBD by AAPA) and **Mr. Tom Parker**, Intermodal Programs Team, ERC-IS, NPRNWG Member, USTRANSCOM

Room B

Port Readiness Committee (PRC) and Federal Port Controllers - Issues and Recommendations:

Moderators: **Mr. Charles White**, Director of Public Safety, Jacksonville Port Authority, and **Mr. Eric Chapman**, Maritime Security Planning Division (CG-MSR-2) - Office of Maritime Security Response Policy (CG-MSR), NPRNWG Member, USCG and **Mr. Nuns Jain**, Strategic Ports Project Manager (Acting), NPRN Working Group Chair (Acting), MARAD

1145 – 1300

Working Lunch - Keynote Speaker - To Be Announced

1300 – 1415

Concurrent Breakout Session # 2

Room A

Strategic Ports - Military Cargo - Staging/ Security/Stevedores and Emergency Response and Recovery - Issues and Recommendations:

Moderators: **Mr. Tony Alejandro**, Director of Operations, Port of Corpus Christi, **Mr. Kurt Birkhahn**, Safety & Security Marine Engineer & Surveyor (MAR-617), MARAD and **Mr. Jody Baker**, Strategic Planner, G5, NPRNWG Member, SDDC

Room B

Alternate Strategic Ports - Issues and Recommendations:

Moderators: **Mr. Dustin Biggs**, Program Manager, Ports for National Defense (PND), NPRNWG Member, SDDC and **Mr. John Miget**, Program Manager, Ports for National Defense (PND), NPRNWG Member, SDDC and **Mr. Nuns Jain**, Strategic Ports Project Manager (Acting), NPRN Working Group Chair, MARAD

1425 – 1510

Training Session # 1:

1. Readiness Reporting - Quarterly Port Readiness Reports & Annual Enhanced Port Readiness Assessment Report (AEPRAR) - **Mr. Nuns Jain**, Strategic Ports Project Manager (Acting), NPRN Working Group Chair (Acting), MARAD
2. Ports for National Defense Study Visits – **Mr. Dustin Biggs**, Program Manager, Ports for National Defense (PND), NPRN WG Member
3. Federal Port Controller Contracts, FPC duties and responsibilities, STE Operations and Security Clearances – **Mr. Russ Krause**, Chief, Division of Sealift Operations & Emergency Response (MAR-612), MARAD

1510 – 1520

BREAK

1520 – 1605

Training Session # 2:

1. Cargo Flow Control From Fort Through Port – **Ms. Bambi Beatty**, Mobility OPS Team Chief, Logistics-Plans, Operations and Concepts (L-POC), NPRN WG Member, USAFORSCOM
2. MSC Planning Requirements – **Mr. Irv Renton**, Exercises Branch Chief, MSC, NPRN WG Member
3. NPRN Portal – **Mr. Joe Duvall**, NPRN Portal Coordinator, MARAD

1610 - 1630

Moderator Reports from the Breakout Sessions

1630 – 1645

Workshop Findings and Closing Remarks

NPRN Steering Group Chair – Mr. Kevin Tokarski, Associate Administrator for Strategic Sealift, MARAD - Chair, NPRN Steering Group (NPRNSG)

Chairman AAPA Defense Committee - Mr. David C. Fisher, Executive Director, Port of Beaumont

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