

The Port of Virginia

Accommodating Mega-Ships at Existing Wharves

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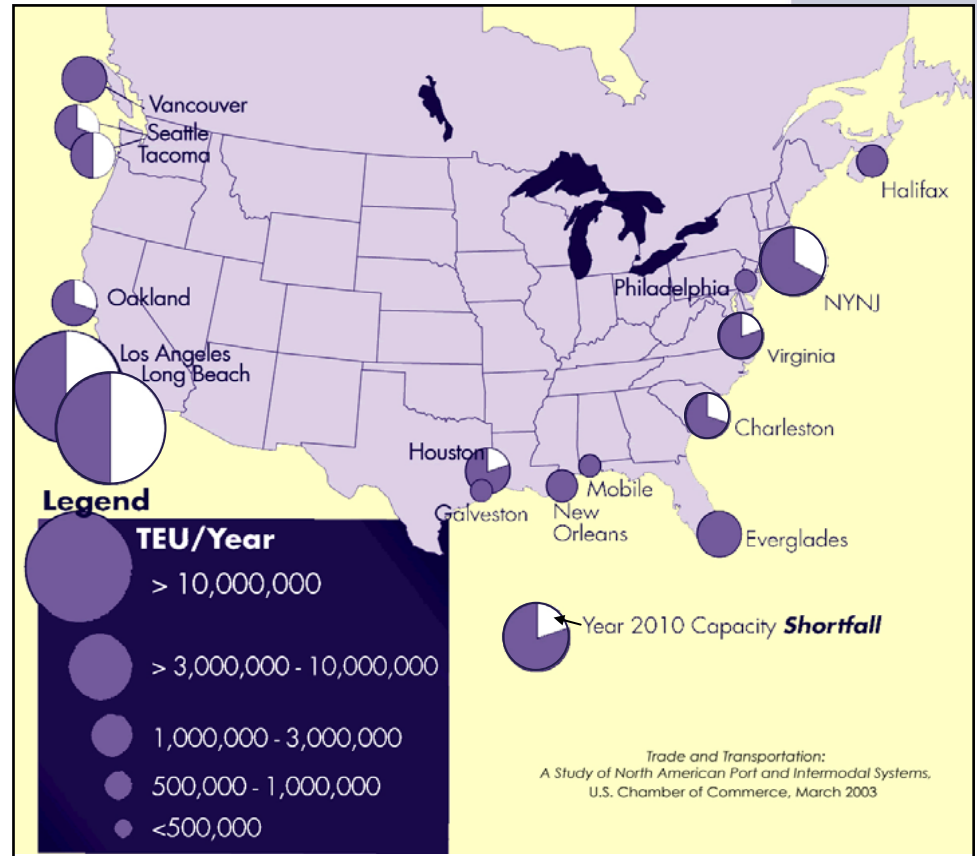
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National Cargo Trends

- **U.S. Cargo Will Double in Volume by 2020**
- **Panama Canal Commission Forecast East Coast Cargo to Triple by 2020**
- **Latin American Trade and Transportation Study (2001)**
 - ⊕ **13 Southern US States Will Reach Capacity Between 2008 and 2012**



The “China Factor”



- **U.S. Ports as a Whole are Experiencing an Increase in Container Trade with Asia**
- **East Coast Ports In Particular are Seeing a Significant Increase in Container Trade with Asia**
 - ⊕ **All-Water Shipping Routes Both Inexpensive and Stable**



National Cargo Forecasts



- **All Cargo Growth Forecasts are Based on “Unconstrained” Growth**
- **Port Infrastructure is a Potential Constraint to Growth**
 - ⊕ **Aging or Inadequate Terminal Facilities Cannot Accommodate Additional Cargo**



Growth in Container Ship Sizes

➤ The *MSC Pamela* is Currently the Largest Container Ship in the World

⊕ 9,200 TEUs

⊕ 150 Feet Wide

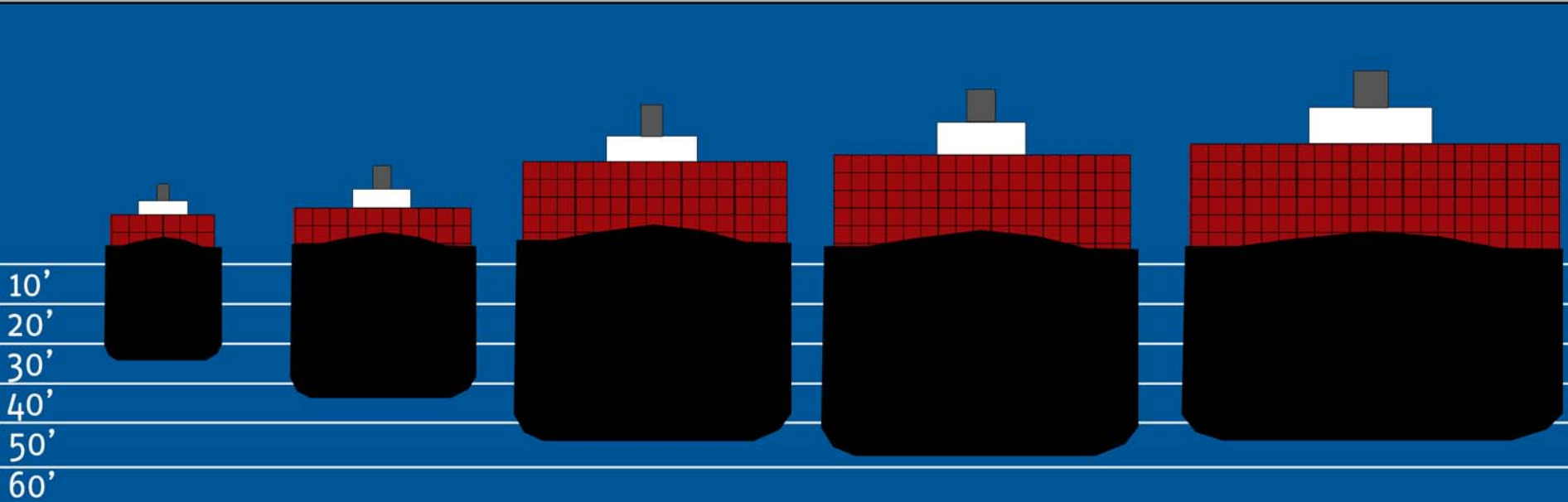
⊕ 1,053 Feet Long

⊕ 49-Foot Draft



Container Ship Evolution

Pre-1970	1970-1985	1985-2000	2000-2010	Post-2010
1,700 TEUs	2,300 TEUs	4,800 TEUs	8,000+ TEUs	13,000+ TEUs
<10 Boxes Wide	10 Boxes Wide	13-16 Boxes Wide	17 Boxes Wide	21 Boxes Wide
<30' Draft	33' Draft	44' Draft	48' Draft	44' Draft
450' Length	620' Length	900' Length	1,150' Length	1,350' Length



On-Dock Operations



Container Vessel Arrives at the Marine Terminal



On-Dock Operations



**Specialized Cranes Unload Containers from the Ship
Straddle Carrier Picks Up Container from Wharf**



Container Yard Operations



Containers are Stored in the Yard Until They Are Picked up By a Trucker or Loaded Onto a Train



Container Yard Operations



Straddle Carriers Remove the Container from Storage and Load it onto Trucks



Transportation Modes

- **The 1.98 Million TEUs Handled by The Port of Virginia in 2005 Were Transported to Inland Markets Using:**
 - ⊕ **Barge (10% of TEUs)**
 - ⊕ **Rail (25% of TEUs)**
 - ⊕ **Truck (65% of TEUs)**



Introduction to The Port of Virginia



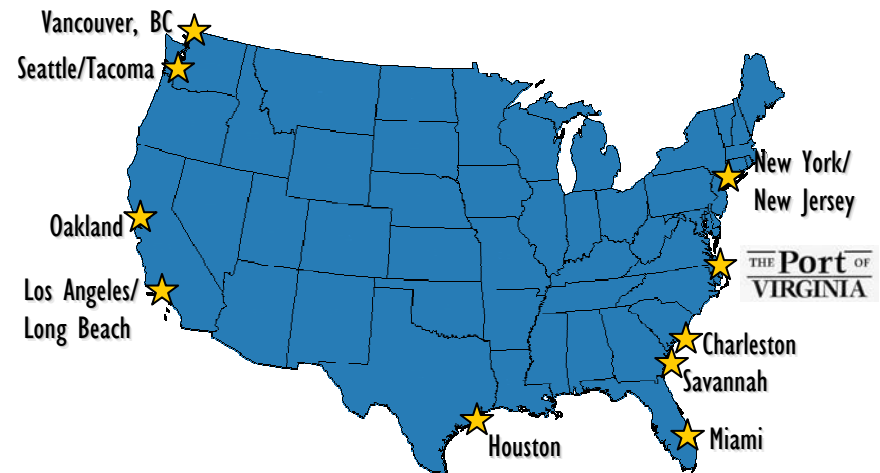
➤ **In the Year 2005, VPA Handled 1.98 Million TEUs of Containerized Cargo**

⊕ **9.4% Increase Over 2004**

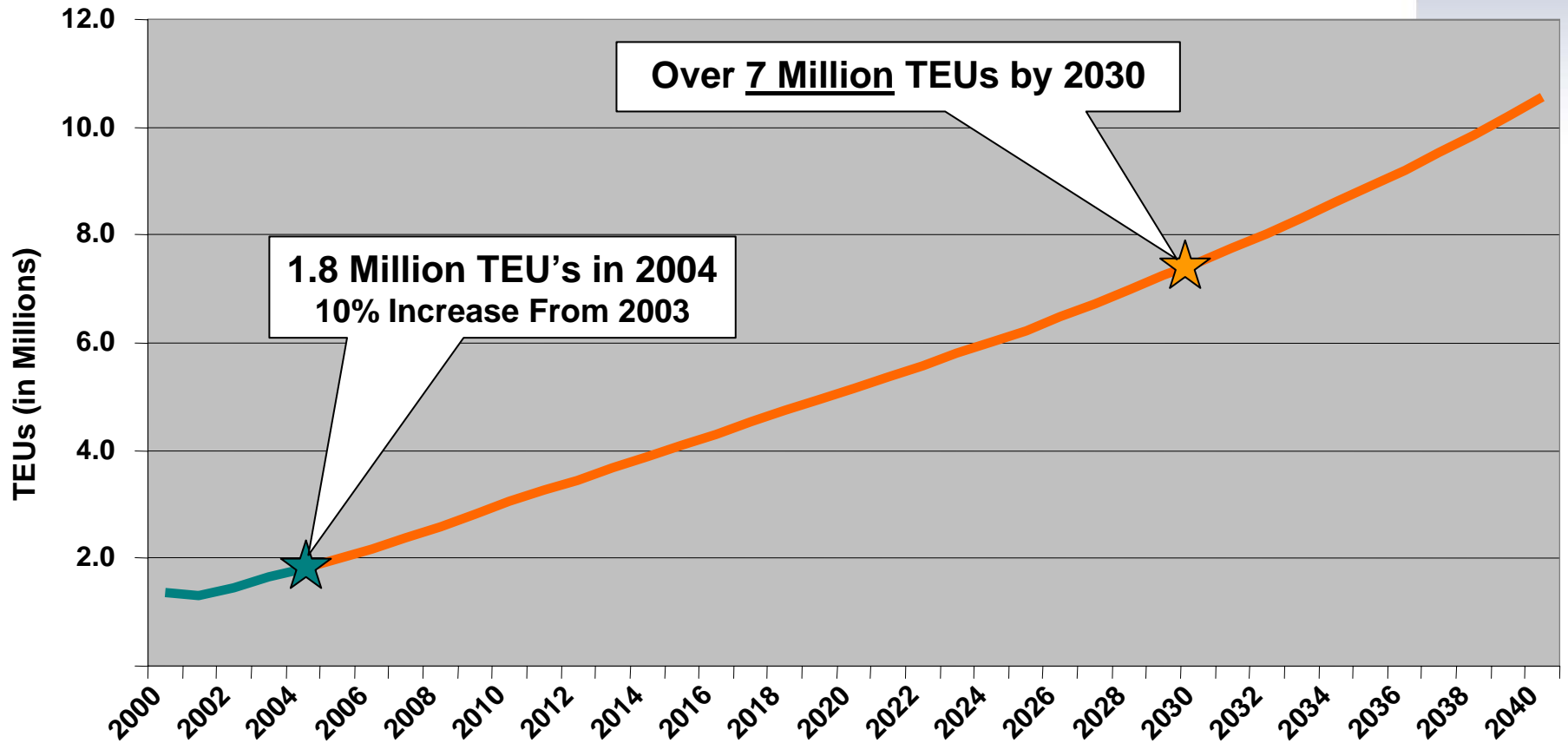
➤ **VPA is Currently Ranked:**

⊕ **7th Largest Container Port in the U.S.**

⊕ **2nd Largest Port on the East Coast in Terms of General Tonnage**



VPA Containerized Cargo Forecast



Source: VPA Master Plan. Forecast numbers represent average increase over the forecast period.



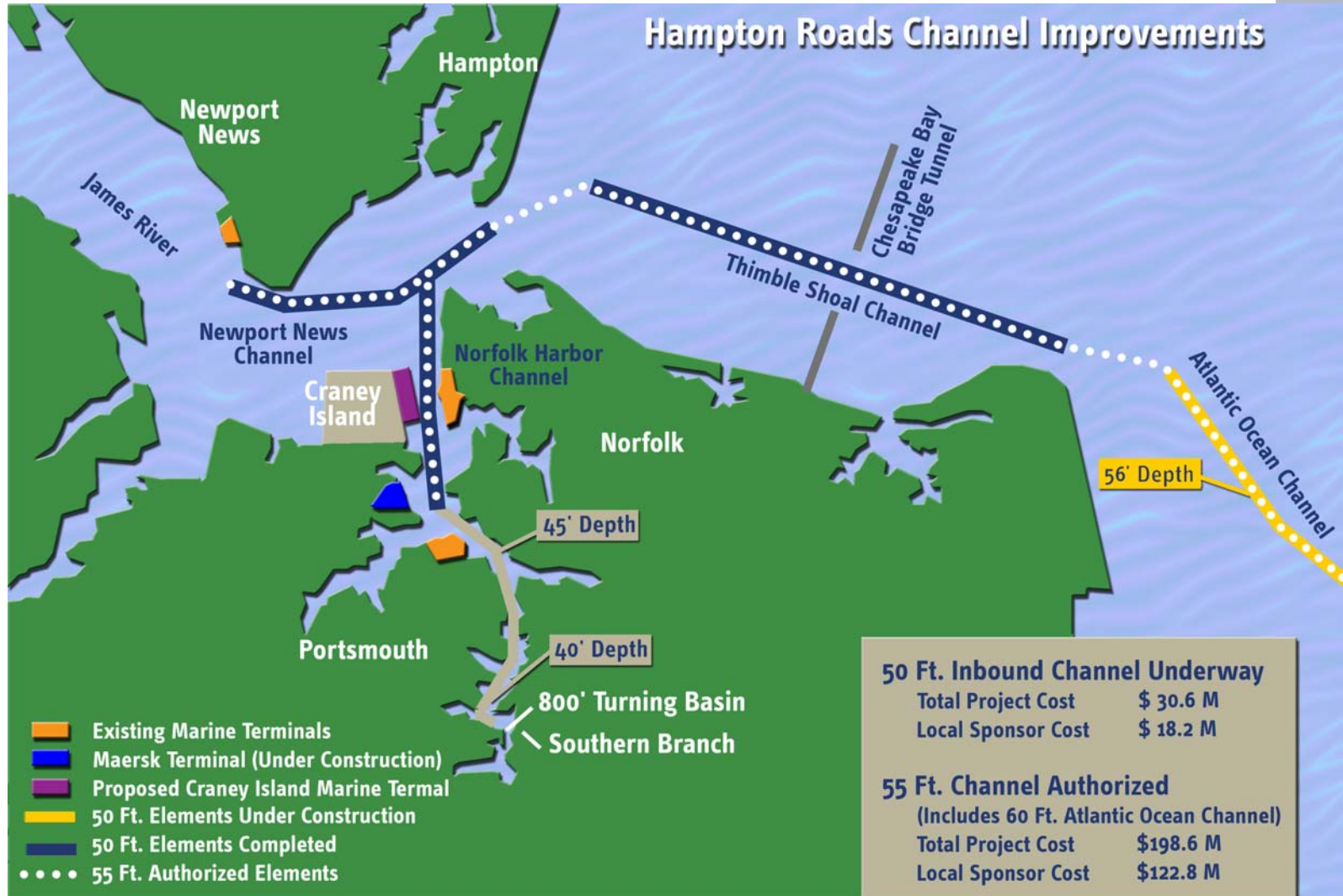
What is Required to Accommodate Growth?



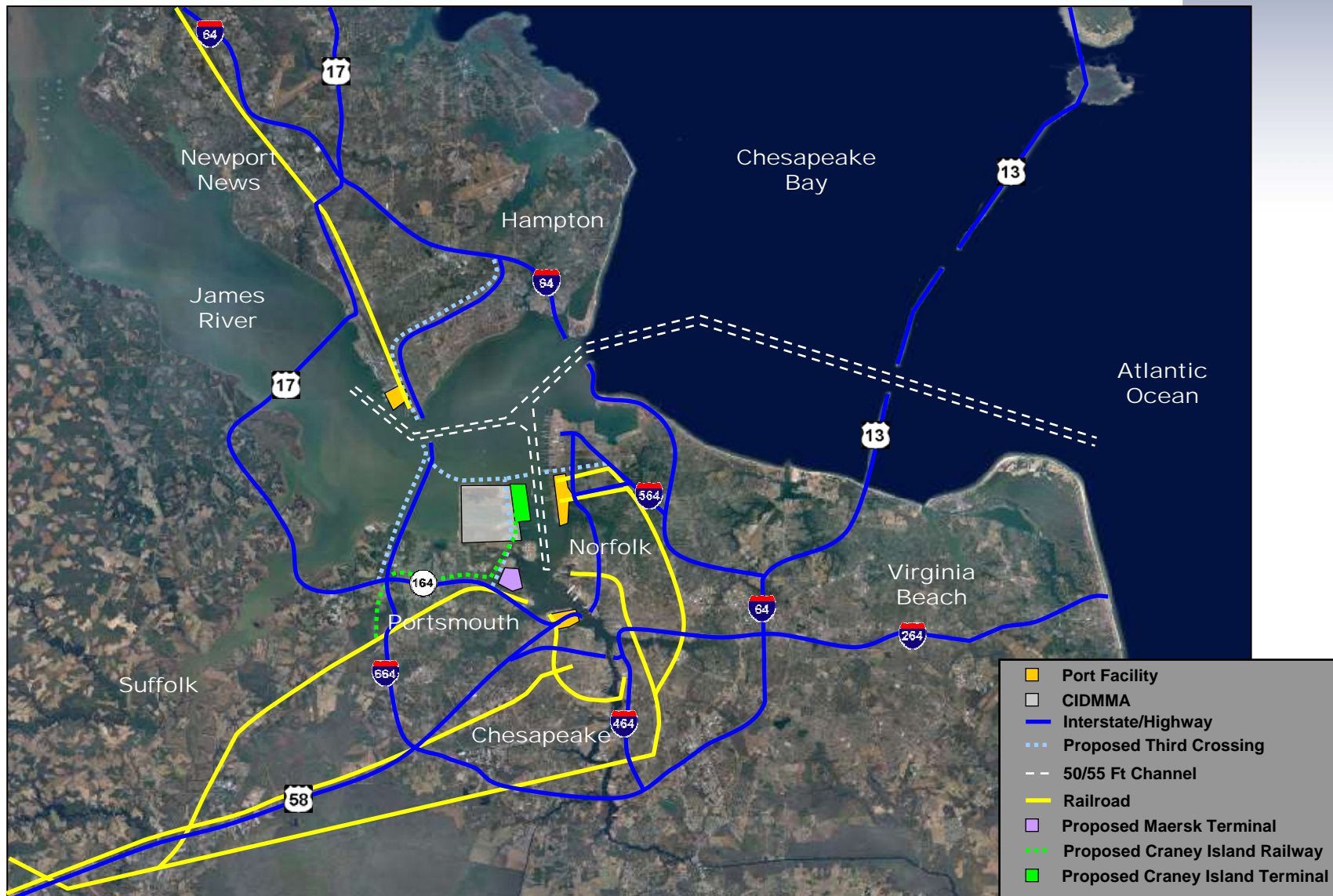
- **Good Access to Deep Water**
 - ⊕ **Allows Largest Ships to Call**
 - ⊕ **Largest Ships can Move Cargo for the Least Cost**
- **Good Access to Road & Rail Lines**
 - ⊕ **Facilitates and Speeds Distribution to Origin and Destination Points Locally and Nationally**
- **Good Port Infrastructure**
 - ⊕ **Wharves, Cranes, and Container Yard**
 - ⊕ **Efficient Cargo Transfer**



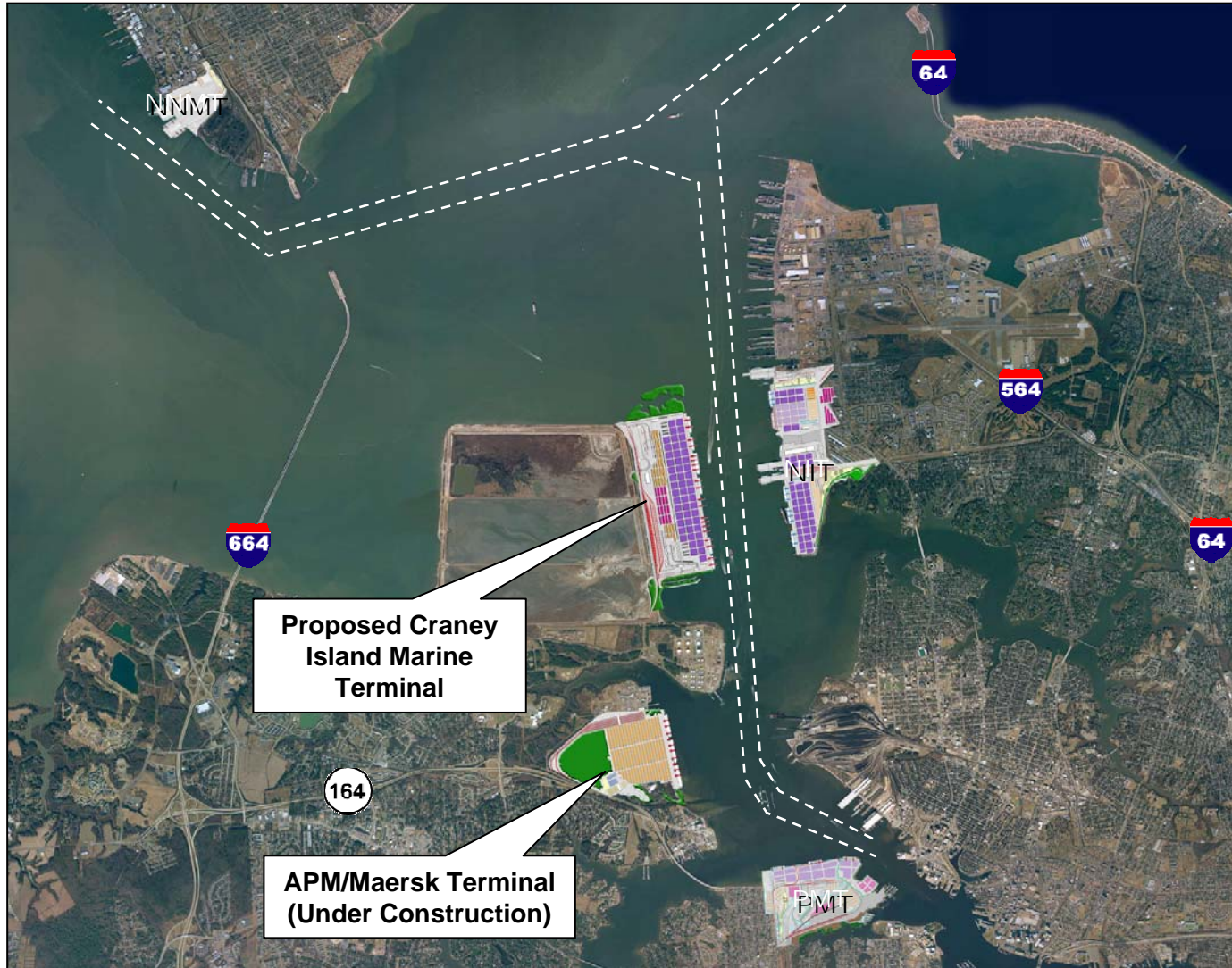
The Port of Virginia Deep Water Access



Hampton Roads Intermodal Network



The Port of Virginia Marine Terminal Locations



**Proposed Craney
Island Marine
Terminal**

**APM/Maersk Terminal
(Under Construction)**



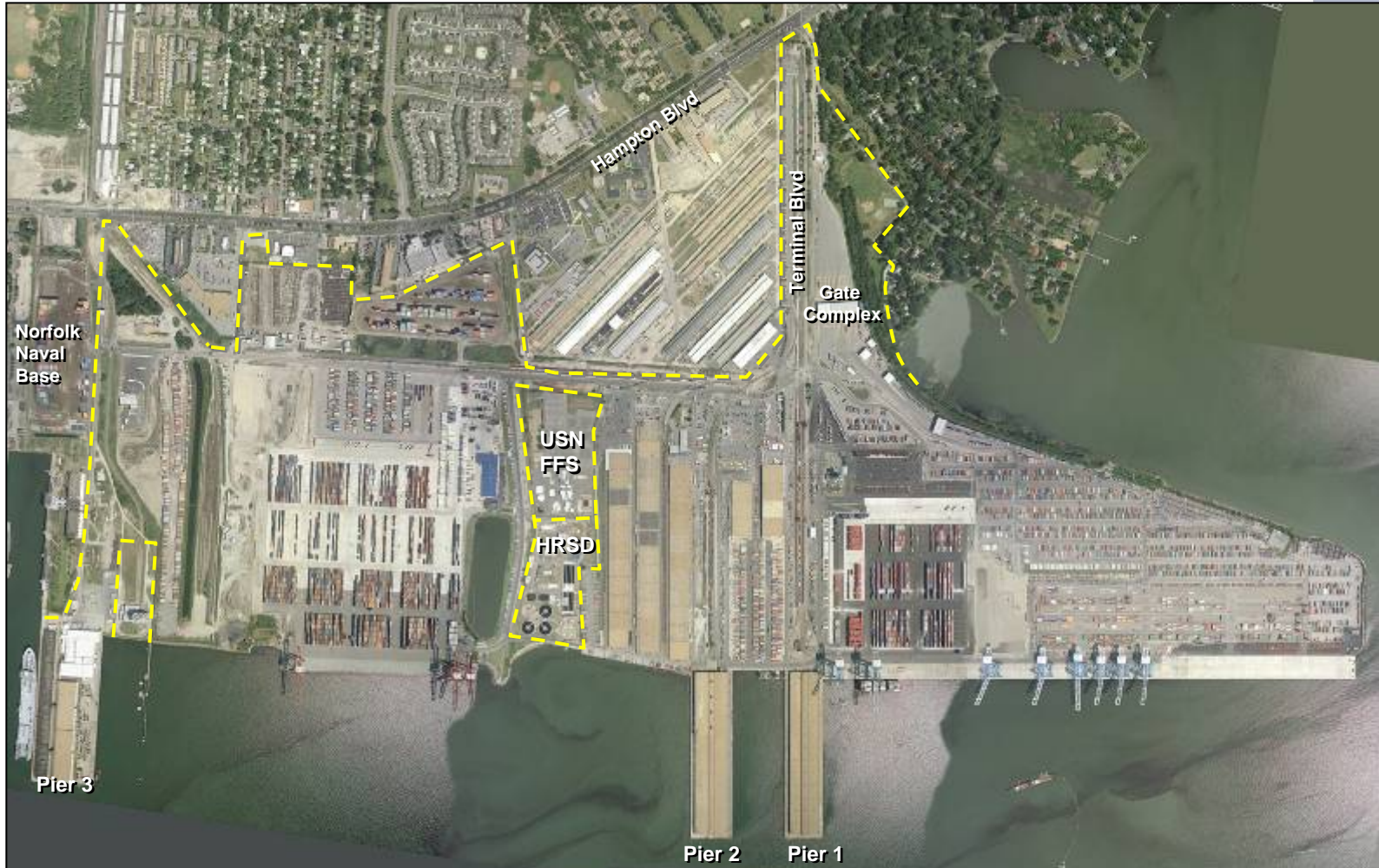
The Port of Virginia History



- **Three Marine Terminals Constructed Over Time**
- **Terminals Were Constructed by Various Agencies**
- **Some Structures Date Back to 1918**
- **Approximately Half of the Existing Container Cranes are First and Second Generation (13 Containers Wide)**



Norfolk International Terminals



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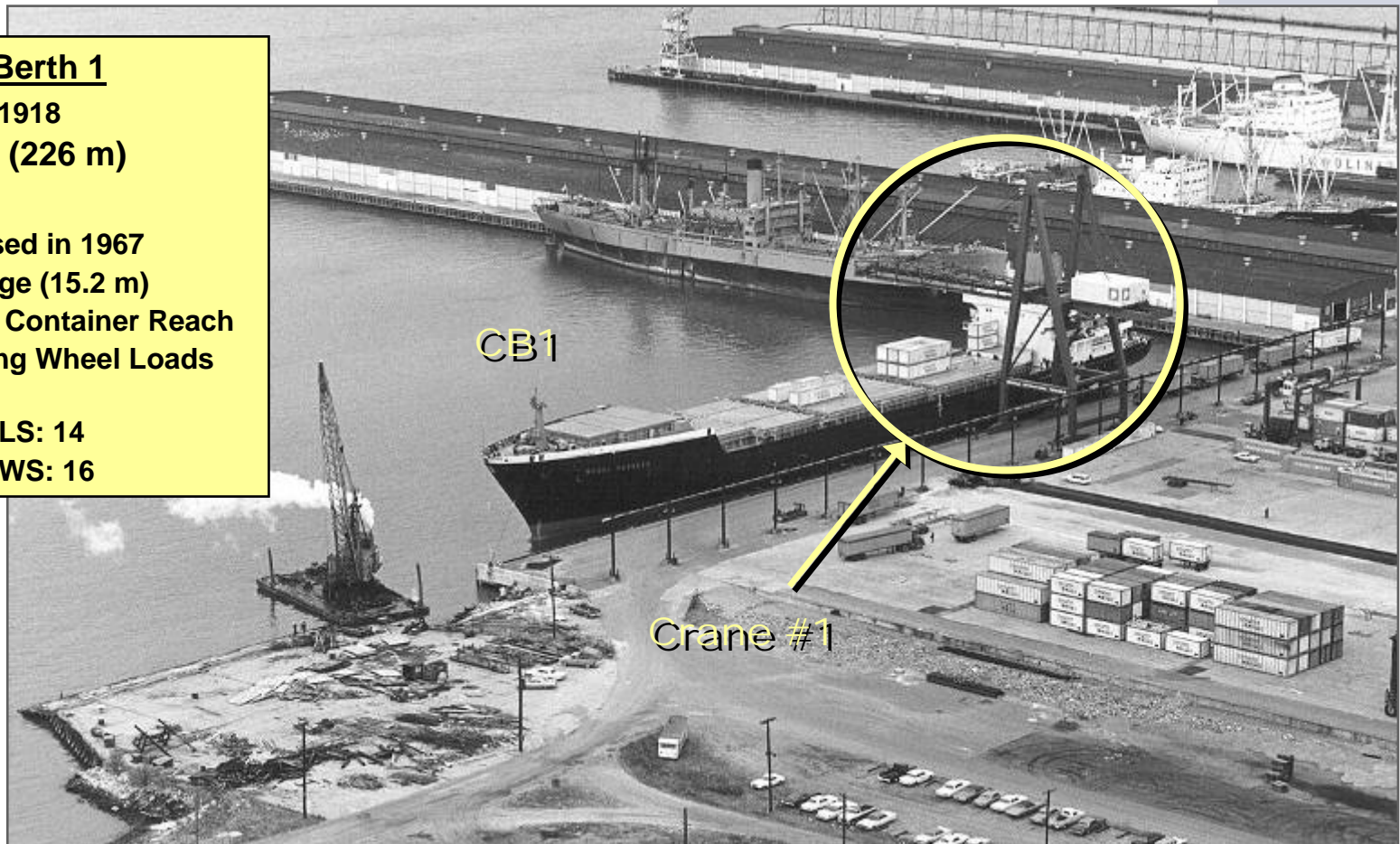
➤ NIT Container Terminal Opened in 1967

➤ Container Berth 1

- Built in 1918
- 740-feet (226 m)

➤ Crane #1

- Purchased in 1967
- 50-ft Gage (15.2 m)
- 13-wide Container Reach
- Operating Wheel Loads (kips/ft)
 - ▲ LS: 14
 - ▲ WS: 16



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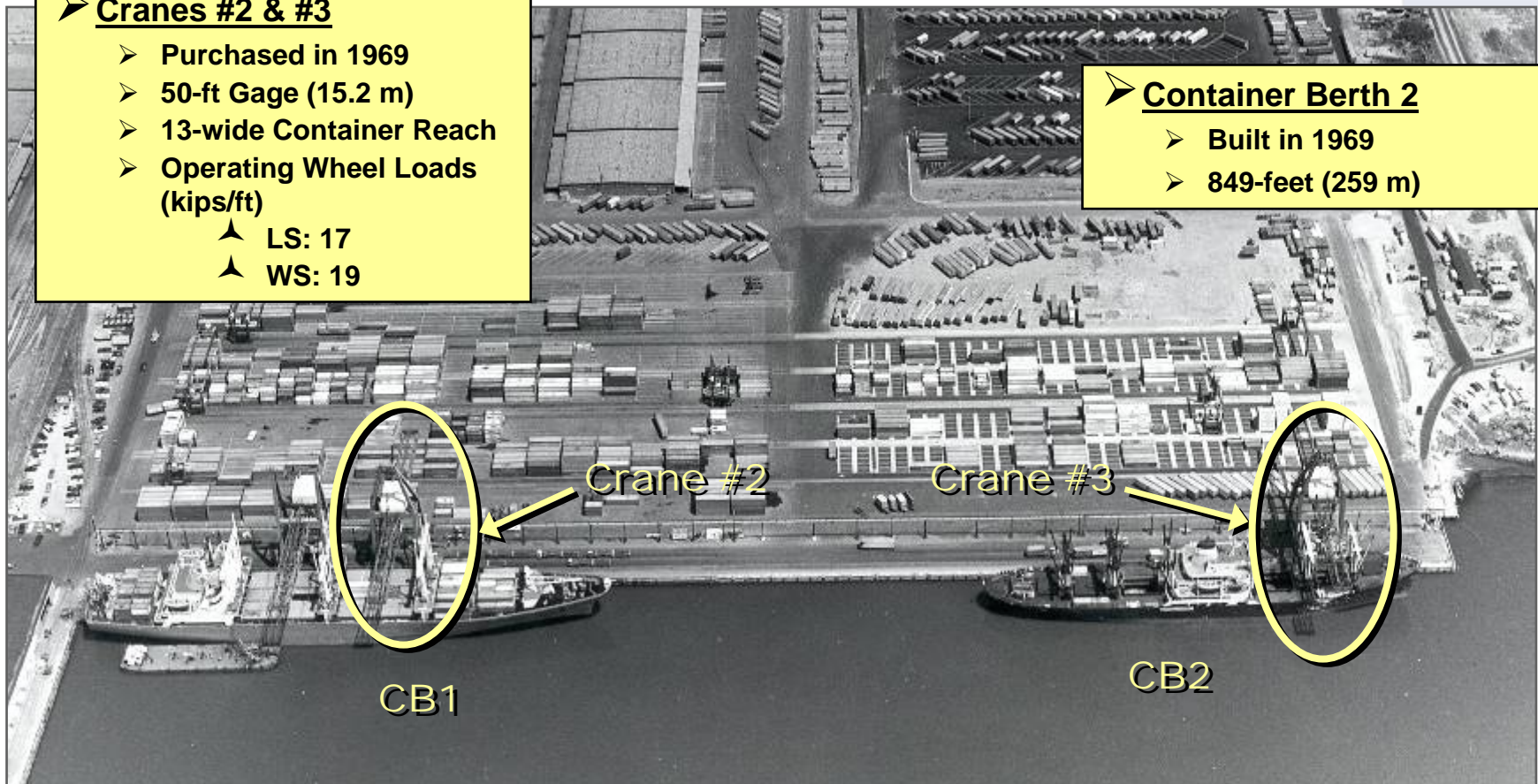
➤ Terminal & Wharf Expansion in 1969

➤ Cranes #2 & #3

- Purchased in 1969
- 50-ft Gage (15.2 m)
- 13-wide Container Reach
- Operating Wheel Loads (kips/ft)
 - ▲ LS: 17
 - ▲ WS: 19

➤ Container Berth 2

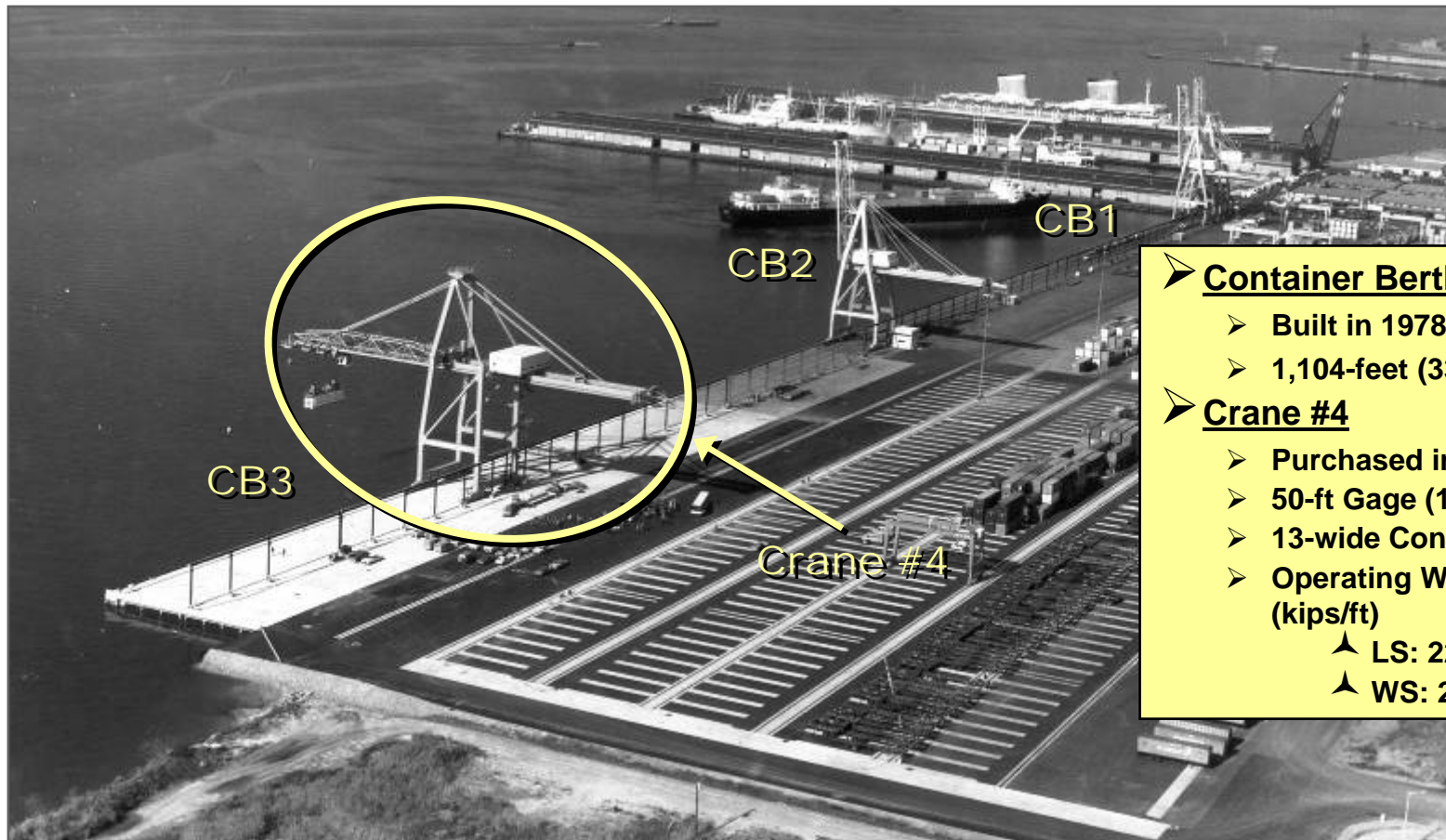
- Built in 1969
- 849-feet (259 m)



Norfolk International Terminals



➤ Terminal & Wharf Expansion in 1975 & 1978



➤ Container Berth 3

- Built in 1978
- 1,104-feet (336 m)

➤ Crane #4

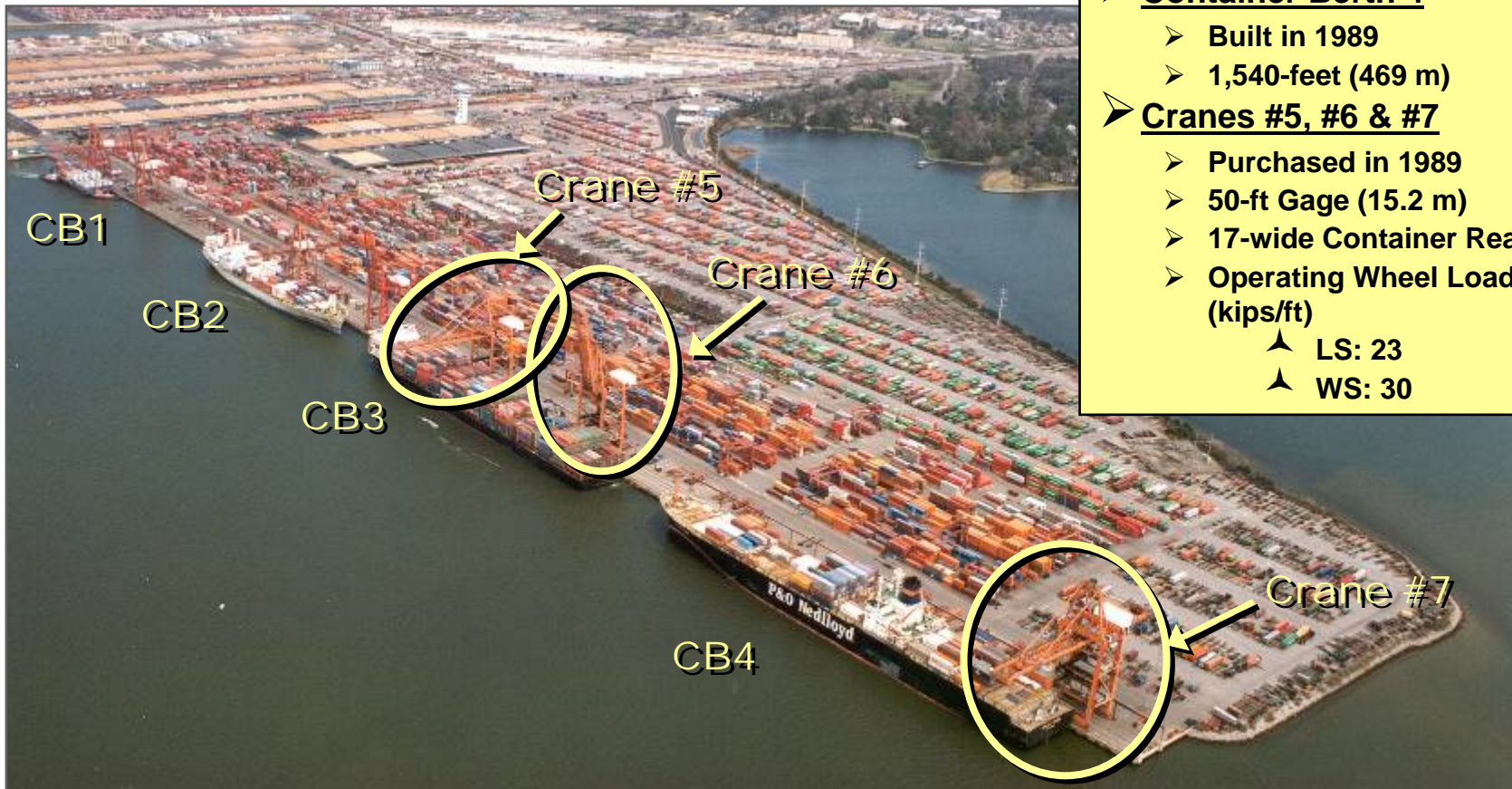
- Purchased in 1978
- 50-ft Gage (15.2 m)
- 13-wide Container Reach
- Operating Wheel Loads (kips/ft)
 - ▲ LS: 22
 - ▲ WS: 20



Norfolk International Terminals South Terminal



➤ Terminal & Wharf Expansion in 1989



➤ Container Berth 4

- Built in 1989
- 1,540-feet (469 m)

➤ Cranes #5, #6 & #7

- Purchased in 1989
- 50-ft Gage (15.2 m)
- 17-wide Container Reach
- Operating Wheel Loads (kips/ft)
 - ▲ LS: 23
 - ▲ WS: 30



NIT South Backlands



NIT South Renovation

Overall Project Goals



- **Upgrade Aging and Obsolete Terminal Infrastructure**
- **Keep Pace With Containerized Cargo Forecasts**
- **Accommodate Increasing Container Ship Sizes**
- **Allow for Operational Conversions (Rubber-Tire Gantry v. Straddle Carrier)**



NIT South Renovation Overall Project Goals



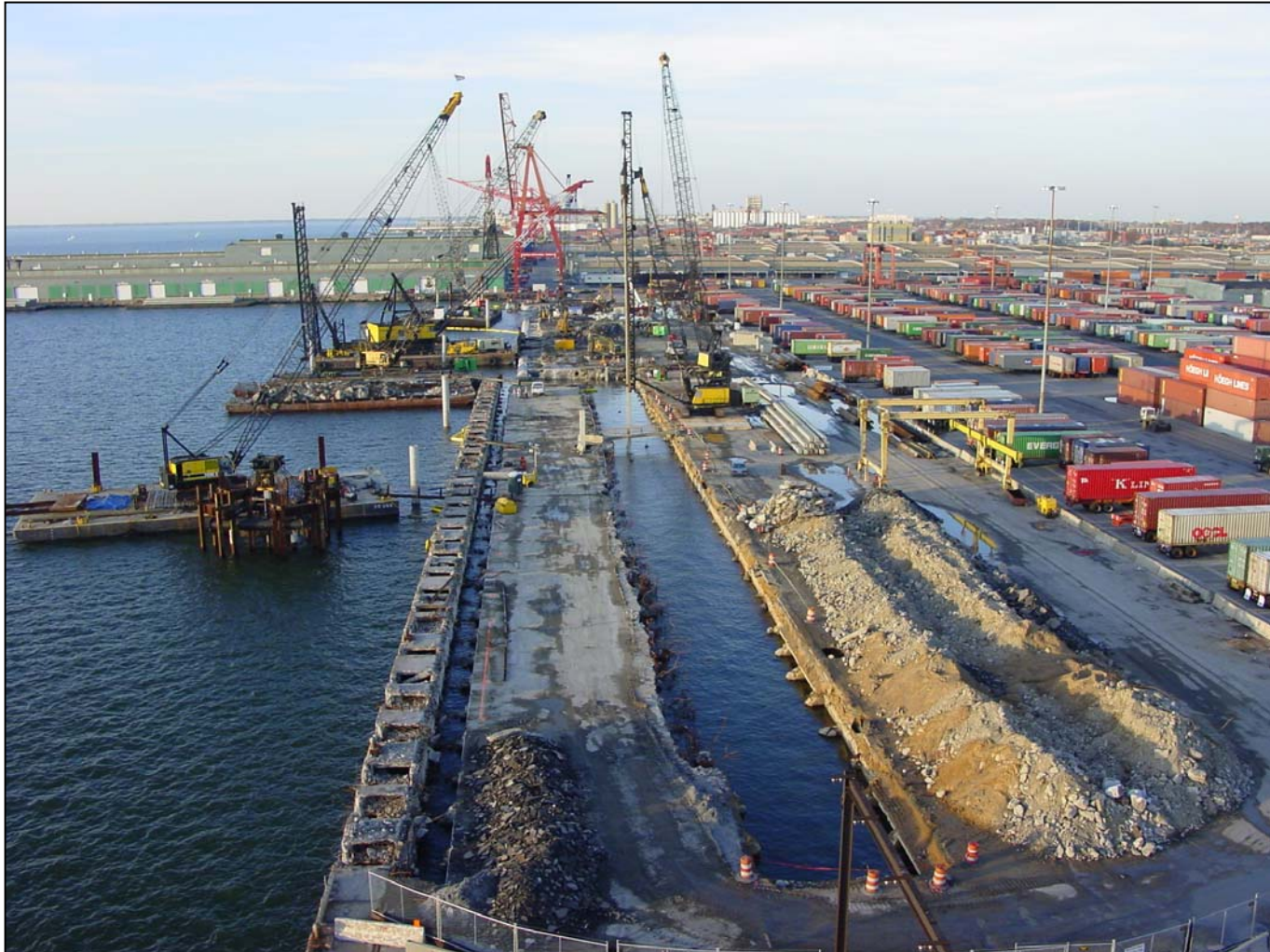
- **Full Renovation of NIT South Terminal**
 - ⊕ **4,230 Feet (1,289 Meters) of Wharf**
 - ⊕ **8 New Suez-Class Container Cranes**
 - ⊕ **140 Acres (57 Hectares) of Container Yard**
 - ⊕ **New Stormwater Treatment Systems**
 - ⊕ **Environmental Impacts Included 5.1 Acres of River Bottom and .02 Acres of Vegetated Tidal Wetlands**



NIT South Backlands Warehouse Demolition



NIT South Wharf Stage 1 Construction



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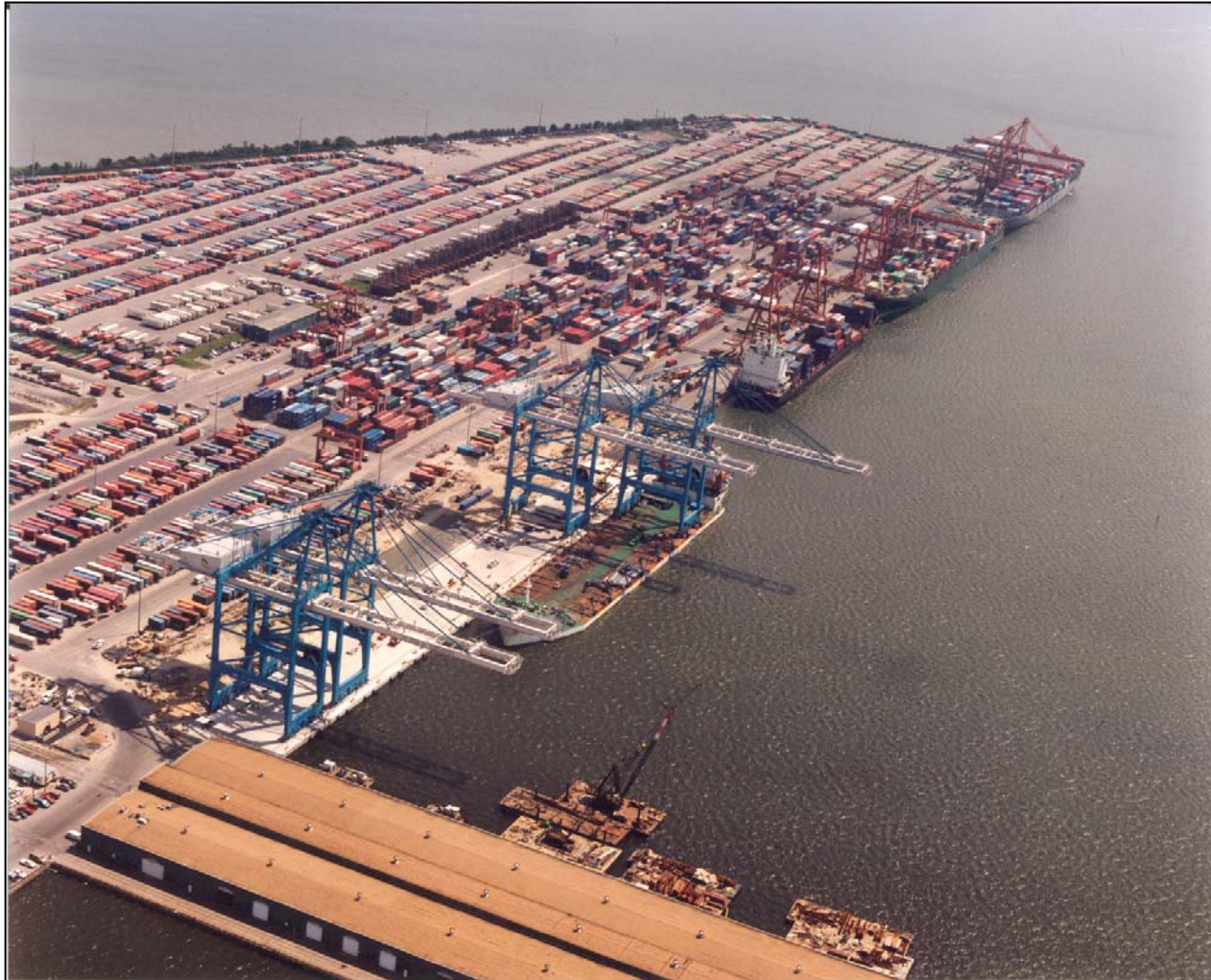


NIT South Wharf

Arrival of First Shipment of Cranes



NIT South Wharf First Shipment of Cranes



NIT South Wharf Stage 2 Construction



NIT South Wharf Stage 2 Construction



NIT South Wharf Stage 3 Construction



NIT South Wharf Second Shipment of Cranes



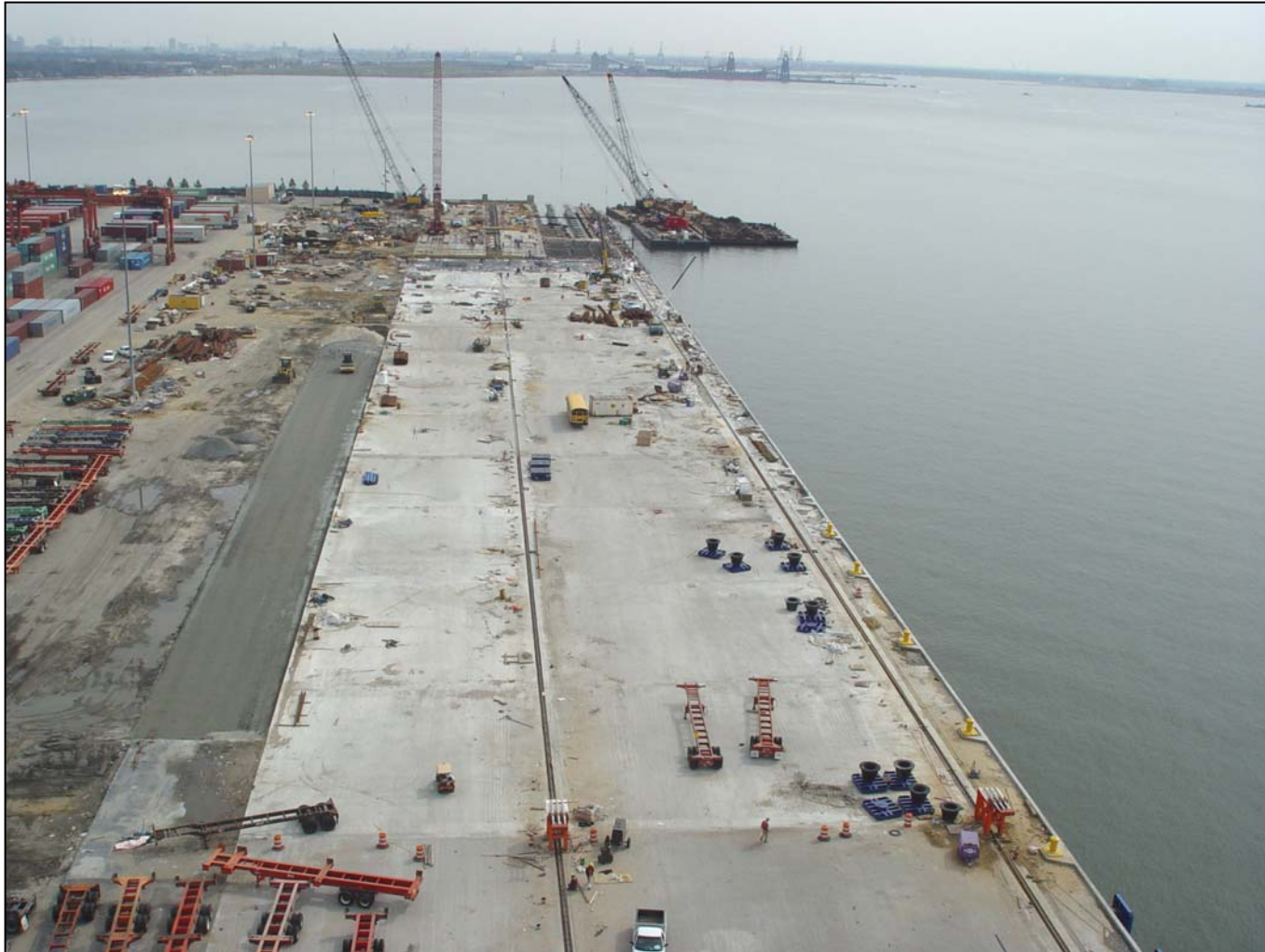
NIT South Wharf Stage 3 Construction



NIT South Wharf Arrival of Elevating Girder Crane



NIT South Wharf Stage 4 Construction



Completed NIT South Wharf



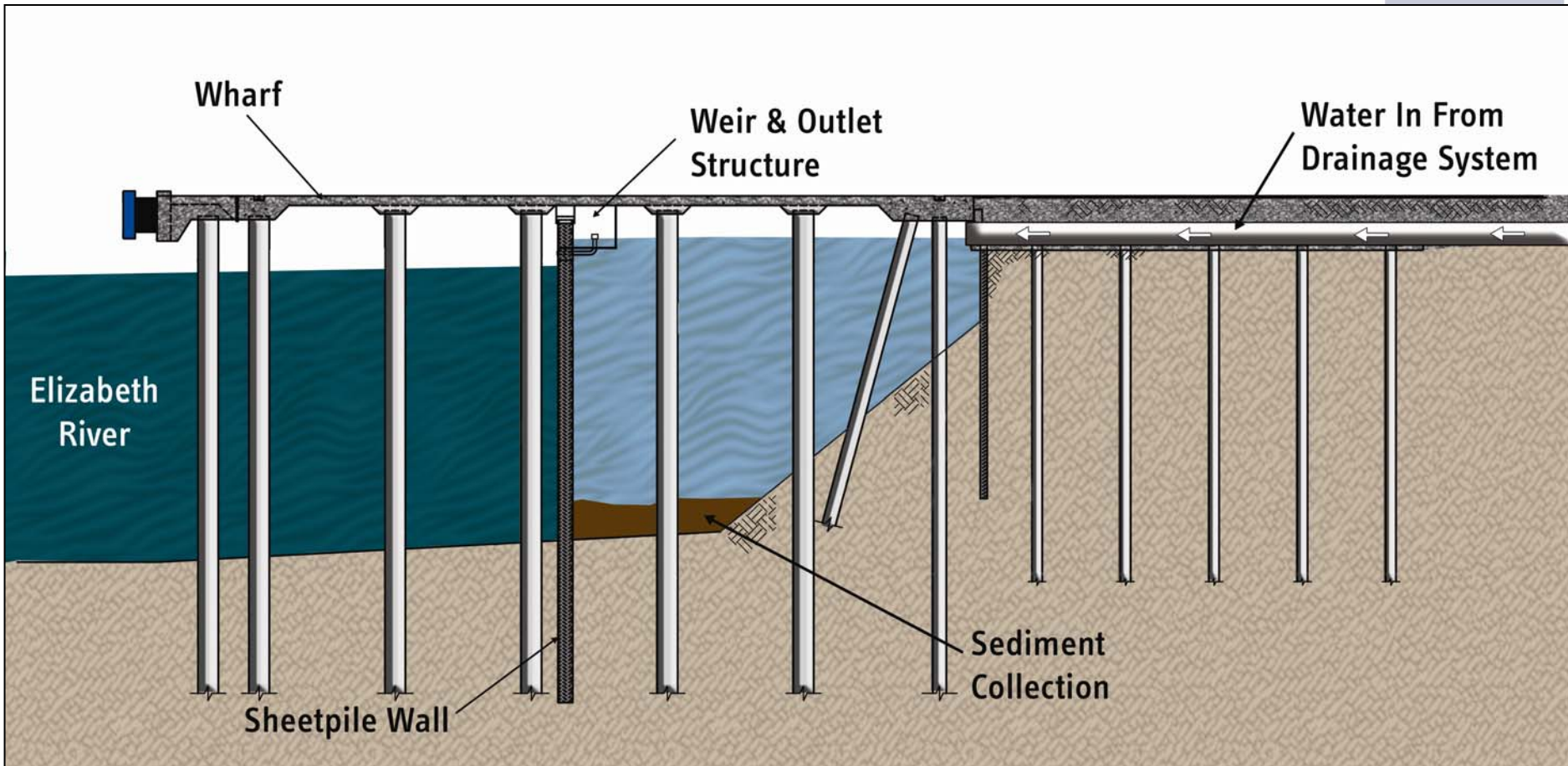
NIT South Backlands Stage 1 Completed



NIT South Backlands Completion of Remaining Stages



Under-Wharf Detention Basin Section View



Under-Wharf Detention Basin Plan View





Under-Wharf Detention Basin

- **Met Treatment Requirements**
- **Located in Unused, Available Space Under Wharf**
- **Installation Concurrent with Wharf Construction**
- **Can Accommodate Sediment Volumes Anticipated Over the Life of the Structure**
- **Obviated Need for 7-Acre (3-Hectare) Treatment Pond**



Plum Point Park Environmental Restoration



- **VPA Believed NIT Renovation Project Deserved High-Profile Mitigation Project**
- **“Landscape Approach” Convinced Regulatory Agencies of Project Benefits**

Proposed Mitigation Type	Compensatory Mitigation Ratio	Required Mitigation for NIT Renovation Impact	Proposed Plum Point Compensation
Tidal Wetlands	2:1	10 acres	1 acre creation
Submerged Lands	1:1	5 acres	1 acre restored
Open Space Preservation	20:1	100 acres	5 acres preserved and enhanced



Plum Point Park Environmental Restoration



- **5-Acre Tract of Unused Land Along Norfolk's Urban Waterfront**
- **Eroding Shoreline**
- **Low Valued Vegetation**
- **Adjacent Waterway Littered With Debris**



Plum Point - April 2002



Plum Point Park Environmental Restoration



- **1 Acre of Spartina Grass Wetlands Creation**
- **1 Acre of Submerged Bottom Land Restoration**
- **5 Acres of Open Space Preservation and Enhancement**



Plum Point – November 2005



NIT South Terminal Prior to Renovation Project



NIT South Terminal After Renovation Project



The Port of Virginia



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