



CONNECTICUT PORT AUTHORITY

2018 ANNUAL REPORT

(CGS § 15-31a(o))

The Connecticut Port Authority (“CPA”) is a quasi-public agency, pursuant to Section 1-120(1) of the General Statutes of Connecticut (“CGS”), a body politic and corporate, constituting a public instrumentality and political subdivision of the State of Connecticut (“State” or “Connecticut”) that is responsible for marketing and coordinating the development of the State’s ports and harbors and maritime economy. *See generally* CGS § 15-31b(a). The creation of the CPA represents a major commitment by the State to invest in its port infrastructure to create jobs and attract private investment to the State.

Pursuant to CGS § 15-31a(o)¹, “[o]n or before January 1, 2017, and annually thereafter, the board of directors shall submit, in writing, to the Governor (1) a list of projects which, if undertaken by the state, would support the state’s maritime policies and encourage maritime commerce and industry; (2) recommendations for improvements to existing maritime policies, programs and facilities; and (3) such other recommendations as the board considers appropriate. Copies of such report shall be submitted to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to transportation, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a.”

¹ See *also* Public Act 15-5 § 1(o) (“On or before January 1, 2017, and annually thereafter, the board of directors shall submit, in writing, to the Governor (1) a list of projects which, if undertaken by the state, would support the state’s maritime policies and encourage maritime commerce and industry; (2) recommendations for improvements to existing maritime policies, programs and facilities; and (3) such other recommendations as the board considers appropriate. Copies of such report shall be submitted to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to transportation, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes”)

I. List of Projects

The following is a list of projects which, if undertaken by the state in the 2019 calendar year, would support the state's maritime policies and encourage maritime commerce and industry:

Projects for 2019:

1. New Haven Harbor Navigational Deepening Feasibility Study	\$1,500,000
2. Small Harbor Improvement Projects Program (SHIPP) R-2	\$10,000,000
3. State Pier Center Section Demolition-Completion January	\$119,000.00
4. State Pier Infrastructure Improvement Program	\$26,000,000
5. Pier No. 7 Fort Trumbull New London	\$750,000
6. East Shore Properties-New Haven	\$751,000

II. Recommendations for Improvements

With respect to recommendations for improvements to existing maritime policies, programs and facilities, at this time CPA recommends increased dredging. Dredging creates less likelihood for shoreline erosion and protects against the effects of sedimentation, which is important for infrastructure projects (creating space to construct dams or bridges), enables ships to pass through waterways, and is an environmentally important practice by reducing pollutants in our waters. As such, in the 2019 calendar year, CPA recommends dredging in the following waterways:

1. Bridgeport Harbor
2. New Haven Harbor
3. Greenwich Harbor
4. Southport Harbor
5. Stamford Harbor
6. Branford Stoney Creek
7. Thames River

III. Other Recommendations

At this time, the CPA does not have any recommendations.