

NATCHITOCHEES PARISH PORT COMMISSION

Travis Tyler has been executive director for the Natchitoches Parish Port Commission (NPPC) for the last five years. Since NPPC became operational in 1996, it has proven to be a dependable and highly efficient multi-modal facility. As a result, NPPC has become one of the larger economic engines in Natchitoches Parish and the surrounding areas. Below you will find a compilation of data about NPPC ranging from its location, existing facilities and utilities that are in place:

LOCATION:

- Located in Pool 3 of the J. Bennett Johnston Waterway (Red River); River Mile 152.2 (Measured from the Mississippi River at the Old River Lock); Only slack water port on the Red River
- Located on the Kansas City Southern Railroad via the Port's rail spur
- Located at the intersection of Louisiana Highway 6 and Louisiana Highway 486; 3 miles to U.S. Highways 71 and 84; 5 miles to Louisiana Highway 1; 10 miles to Interstate 49

FACILITIES:

- Transit Shed - 62,000 square feet; Drive through loading and unloading for flatbed trucks; 2 docks with levelers for van-type trucks
- 12,000 square foot barge dock with load capacity to accommodate a 150-ton crane
- Covered and lighted rail dock (100' x 65')
- Wood Chip/Pellet Loading Facility - Includes truck dump, concrete storage pad with capacity for six barges of wood chips, radial stacker, and barge loading dock with equipment rated at 500 tons per hour
- Oxbow has capacity to fleet 20-30 barges
- 2 Port-owned 500 horsepower locomotives and 1 1,500 horsepower locomotive
- Rail spur includes over 5 miles of track with over 2.75 miles of sidings
- 1,800 foot long rail-to-truck transloading area
- Spud barge ramp
- Truck scale (70' long)

UTILITIES:

- Electricity – Central Louisiana Electric Company (CLECO)
- Gas – Enlink Midstream and El Paso Energy
- Water – City of Natchitoches
- Sewer – Natchitoches Parish Port
- Telecommunications – AT&T and CP-TEL



NORTH PORT TRACT:

In 2009 the Port acquired a 383 acre tract of land to address the needs of companies looking for larger tracts of land that the remainder of the Port's original acquisition could not provide. Approximately 360 acres of the tract are in one contiguous parcel. The North Port Tract has been certified by the Louisiana Department of Economic Development and by McCallum Sweeney Consulting as part of CLECO's SmartSites program.

- 360 +/- acres
- Zoned Heavy Industrial
- Utilities:
 - Gas: 24 inch transmission line owned by Enlink Midstream on site; Compressor station adjacent to site with average pressure downstream of site of 1,000 psi; Line currently moving an average of 450 million cubic feet per day
 - Water: 12 inch waterline on site providing water from City of Natchitoches
 - Electricity: CLECO 138 kV transmission line 700 feet from property
 - Telecommunications: AT&T and CP-TEL lines (including fiber optic) in right of way of Louisiana Highway 486
- Over 4,000 feet of frontage on Kansas City Southern Railroad and U.S. Highway 71/84
- Over 3,000 feet of frontage on Louisiana Highway 486
- The following studies have been completed: Phase 1, Environmental Site Assessment; Wetlands Delineation; Endangered and Threatened Species Study; Archeological/Historical Investigation; Geotechnical Study
- Direct access to Port docks

In closing, over the last five years NPPC has averaged transloading over 700,000 tons of material per year. This tonnage has included wood chips, limestone, lignite, frac sand, rubber chips, grain, trona and a handful of other materials. Usually our tonnage is distributed evenly between truck, rail and barge. But in the last two years, barge tonnage has completely fallen off of our radar. This is mainly due to "local" frac sand quarries, which can truck in their material, taking over the importing of frac sand market. Regardless, we are working tirelessly to bring additional users to the waterway and with your help; hopefully this will become a reality.

RED RIVER PARISH PORT COMMISSION

In 2002 the Red River Parish Port Commission (RRPP) became operational. Located at mile marker 173.3, in Pool 4 along the Red River, the RRPP is currently made up of 50 acres but is in the process of closing on an additional 75 acres.

Since RRPP became operational, they have brought in millions of tons of material through the port by barge. With its largest tonnage year consisting of 960,000 barge tons. The majority of this tonnage was dependent on the activity within the Haynesville Shale. Like NPPC, in the last two years RRPP's barge tonnage has decreased due to the reduced activity within the Haynesville, but they're hopeful to see an increase in the near future.

Some of the existing facilities that are located at the RRPP are:

- 30,000 sq foot storage area
- 37,000 sq foot warehouse
- 9,000 sq ft general cargo dock
- 14,000 sq ft general cargo dock

Along with the facilities, RRPP also owns two material handlers:

- Komatsu PC800LC-8
- Cat 385C

