PORT OF PORT MANSFIELD

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Port Description
The 1,700-acre Port of Port Mansfield was established in 1948 and has a shallow draft channel with a federally authorized depth of 17 feet. The port serves a popular fishing community for recreational and commercial use and also operates a general aviation airport. The port is located in Willacy County, and Raymondville, with a population of just under 11,000, is the closest city to the port. Future commercial use for the port is currently being explored for services such as handling project cargoes, container-on-barge, oil and gas, and construction materials.

Intermodality
• Road: Highway access to I-69/US 77 and SH 186
• Rail: None
• Barge: 1-mile sailing distance to GJWW (M-10, M-69)
• Air: Close proximity to Charles R Johnson Airport, the Port-managed airport
• Pipeline: None

Ship Channel Information

Ship Channel Name: Port Mansfield Channel
Current Depth: 17 ft
Authorized Depth: 17 ft
Projects: Ongoing channel maintenance

Other Highlights
Dredging was recently completed to deepen Mansfield Channel from 12 to 17 feet, allowing offshore barges to now use the channel. Using funding from the State of Texas, a new 5-acre queuing yard was also recently added to the port for container storage. With these improvements, the Port of Port Mansfield hopes to expand short-sea connections with Mexico.

The Port of Port Mansfield has recently seen $40 million in initial private investments to the region, which the port expects will lead to $250-$300 million in total trade by 2027. The port plans to make additional administrative and dockside improvements to assist in the expansion, including applying for FTZ designation and purchasing a shoreside crane.

Capital Improvement Projects

Port Capital Projects
• Airport Runway Extension
• Bulkhead Repair

Connectivity Projects
• Designate SH 186 as Heavy Haul Route, upgrade for Oversize/Overweight (OSOW)
• Designate FM 1420 as Heavy Haul Route, upgrade for OSOW
• Improve Intersection of SH 186 and FM 2209 in San Perlita
• Lengthen Airport Runway from 3,600 to 5,000 Feet

Port Access Improvement Grants from TxDOT
• Truck Queuing at SH 186, Phase 1 ($2.92 million)
• Airport Paved Access ($2.17 million)