

PORT of WEST CALHOUN

West Side Calhoun County Navigation District

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The Port of West Calhoun is a shallow draft port that was established in 1946. The port operates Long Mott Harbor and Seadrift Harbor, which offer access to the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway via the Victoria Barge Canal. Key uses of port facilities include commercial and industrial barge loading and unloading, commercial fishing, and oil and gas exploration. The port is also used by recreational boaters.

Port Priorities & Opportunities

The Port of West Calhoun, amid an evolving market landscape, faces a crossroads where the provision of multimodal options, especially rail, becomes paramount to future success. Recent years have seen a surge of interest from both U.S. and international companies to use the port, yet the absence of necessary infrastructure, like rail access and a dockwall, has led to missed opportunities. However, projects like the recent Seaport Connectivity Program investment demonstrate opportunities, facilitating Dow's expansion near the port and supporting their ambitious plans for a small nuclear reactor. The port is exploring alternative financing methods, such as public-private partnerships, to overcome challenges in providing local match funding for future opportunities.

Strategic development at the port is aimed at establishing an industrial park in Long Mott Harbor, unlocking over 200 acres for development. Rail access remains a pivotal need for future tenants, but current rail lines are privately held, limiting expansion. The Long Mott Harbor Liquid Cargo Dock Bulkhead improvement is a completed project enhancing liquid cargo handling. The port's vision includes transforming Port O'Connor into a recreational hub with a 380-slip marina, addressing holiday traffic congestion and enhancing connectivity to support local development.

Port Projects

Project Name

Long Mott Harbor Liquid Cargo Dock Bulkhead and Improvements

Costs provided by port/navigation district

Commercial Bulk Container Breakbu Energy Fishing Texas Port of West Calhour Gulf of Mexico Texas Port of West Calhoun SAN ANTONIO BAY Gulf of Mexico Port of West Calhoun Ship Channel 12 Miles 6 3

PORT FACILITIES

- Long Mott Harbor
- Seadrift Harbor

SHIP CHANNEL

Project Type

Maritime Infrastructure

Ship Channel Name: Victoria Barge Channel Current Depth: 12 ft Authorized Depth: 12 ft

Current Authorized Depth Depth

Total Project Cost

\$18.6 Million