October 13, 2011

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT AN INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE I-110/C STREET INTERCHANGE PROJECT

The Port of Los Angeles (Port) in cooperation with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has prepared a joint Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) and Environmental Assessment/Finding of No Significant Impact (EA/FONSI) to address the environmental effects of the I-110/C Street Interchange Project (hereafter "proposed project"). The project site is located at the I-110/C Street interchange to the east of I-110 surrounding the intersection of C Street and Figueroa Street in the Wilmington community of the City of Los Angeles (see attached map).

The proposed project involves constructing a northbound off-ramp for direct access to Harry Bridges Boulevard, modification of the northbound on-ramp from C Street, realignment of Harry Bridges Boulevard, and combining the I-110 ramp terminal/C Street/Figueroa Street intersection with the John S. Gibson Boulevard/Harry Bridges Boulevard intersection. Concrete sidewalks are proposed along the local roadways to provide a clear and unobstructed path for pedestrian travel within the project limits. Curb ramps would be constructed at intersection and street crossings and existing bicycle routes will be maintained. Pedestrian signals and cross walk pavement delineation would also be provided.

The IS/MND has been prepared in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Public Resources Code Section 21000 et seq. and the State CEQA Guidelines, California Code of Regulations (CCR) Section 15000 et seq. This IS/MND includes a discussion of the proposed project’s effects on the existing environment, including the identification of mitigation measures to reduce potential impacts. No significant effects that could not be mitigated to a less than significant level were identified. In accordance with the CEQA statutes and Guidelines, the IS/MND is being circulated for a period of 30 days for public review and comment. The public has an opportunity to provide written comments on the information contained within the IS/MND.

The 30-day review period will start on Thursday, October 13, 2011 and end on Monday, November 14, 2011. A copy of the document is available for public review on the Port of Los Angeles’ website at: http://www.portoflosangeles.org; the Caltrans website at http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist07/resources/envdocs/; Los Angeles Harbor Department Engineering Division at 425 S. Palos Verdes Street, San Pedro, CA 90731; Caltrans District 7 Building (100 South Main St, Los Angeles CA 90012), Division of Environmental
Planning; Los Angeles City Library, San Pedro Branch at 931 S. Gaffey Street, San Pedro, CA 90731; and Los Angeles City Library, Wilmington Branch at 1300 North Avalon, Wilmington, CA 90744.

Comments on the IS/MND should be submitted in writing prior to the end of the 30-day public review period and must be postmarked by November 14, 2011. Please submit written comments to:

Christopher Cannon  
Director of Environmental Management  
Port of Los Angeles  
425 S. Palos Verdes Street  
San Pedro, CA 90731

Written comments may also be sent via email to ceqacomments@portla.org. Comments sent via email should include the project title in the subject line and a valid mailing address in the email.

Questions regarding this notice or the proposed project should be directed to Laura Masterson of the Port’s CEQA group at (310) 732-3679

Sincerely,

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Director of Environmental Management

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