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Resolution

Port Expansion

The Mississippi Delta region has three major public port terminals on the Mississippi River (Greenville, Rosedale, and Vicksburg) that all create significant economic activity. In most cases, the limitations of flood-free sites and availability of developed riverfront property is a serious deterrent to locating new economic investment at a time when a location on the inland waterway system garners national and international interest from a wide variety of potential companies seeking to make investments. Delta Council views that strategies to increase the availability of land at, or adjacent to, these public port facilities should receive highest consideration.

Furthermore, maintaining navigation in and out of Delta Ports is a federal responsibility achieved through dredging every year by the Corps of Engineers. Support for annual Congressional funding for the Corps is required and should be supported at every level and Delta Council urges the Corps to ensure that the dredging required is done in a timely fashion so as to not impede commerce during the harvest season.

Delta Council will continue to serve in any capacity to bring appropriate local, State, Federal and utility partners to the table to review options that might lead to more economic activity at these River sites.

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