

AP/AL: Appropriation **Project Type:** Construction
Category: Transportation **Recipient:** City of Whittier
Location: Whittier **Contact:** Samuel Thomas
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Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2006 - 06/30/2011

Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

The Port of Whittier Harbor Development Project is a regional harbor enhancement initiative that will address immediate and future commercial and recreational boating needs, boost economic development, and serve as a catalyst for on-going and future transportation infrastructure improvements. The project involves the improvement of the existing Whittier Small Boat Harbor and the construction of a new boat harbor at the head of the Passage Canal.

Funding:	FY2007	FY2008	FY2009	FY2010	FY2011	FY2012	Total
Gen Fund	\$2,000,000						\$2,000,000
Total:	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,000,000

<input type="checkbox"/> State Match Required	<input type="checkbox"/> One-Time Project	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Phased - new	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - underway	<input type="checkbox"/> On-Going
0% = Minimum State Match % Required		<input type="checkbox"/> Amendment	<input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Bill	

Operating & Maintenance Costs:

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Staff</u>
Project Development:	0	0
Ongoing Operating:	0	0
One-Time Startup:	0	
Totals:	0	0

Additional Information / Prior Funding History:

Project Description/Justification:

The Port of Whittier Harbor Development Project is a regional harbor enhancement initiative that will address immediate and future commercial and recreational boating needs, boost economic development, and serve as a catalyst for ongoing and future transportation infrastructure improvements. The project involves the improvement of the existing Whittier Small Boat Harbor and the uplands development to support a new boat harbor at the head of the Passage Canal (Head of Bay). This request consists of the following components: (1) reconfigure and replace aging float system at the existing boat harbor and (2) design upland improvements, including road access, utilities, and other public infrastructure on City controlled ARRC lands at the head of Passage Canal.

The repairs and renovations of the existing small boat harbor consists of the following: replacing the existing float systems, access trestles and gangways, east boat ramp, and harbor office; dredging and adding slope stabilization along the south harbor basin shoreline to provide additional acreage for relocating some of the newer existing floats; and eliminating the west boat ramp and west grid. The new floats would be accessed via a single centrally-located, double-wide access trestle and gangway. The existing two-lane east boat ramp would be replaced with a three- or four-lane ramp. The revised float system configuration allows for a significantly improved distribution of the larger slips, approximately 90 slips for transient commercial fishing and non-trailerable vessels such as sailboats, and bank stabilization to prevent sloughing and infilling of the harbor basin. The estimated total cost of this project component is \$16 million, with construction tentatively scheduled for the winter of 2007/2008. This phase is currently being designed; however, additional funds are needed to complete construction.

The Head of Passage Canal Plan (Plan) is a two-year planning effort for supporting a proposed new \$36 million small boat harbor, with commercial, industrial, and open space / recreational development. The Head of Passage Canal is a

