

NAVIGATING HEADWINDS CHALLENGING IMPLEMENTATION OF ZERO-EMISSIONS MARINE FUELS

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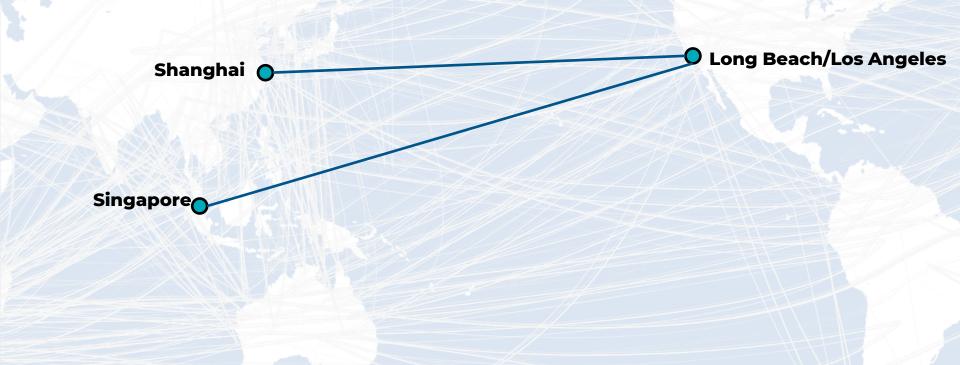
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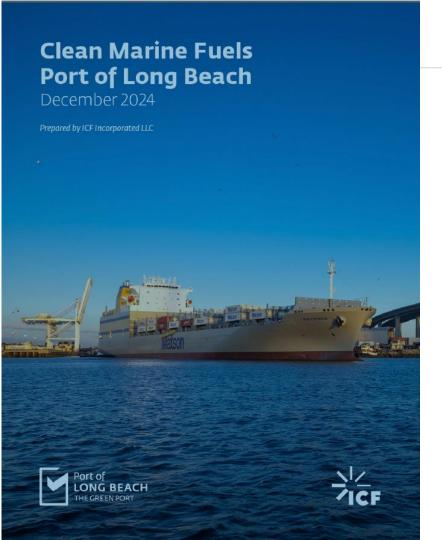
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Clean Marine Fuels White Paper

- Port of Long Beach commissioned ICF Consulting to develop a white paper
- Educational resource and guidance document
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Cleaner Fuel Options



Green Hydrogen



Renewable LNG



Green Methanol



Biofuels



Green Ammonia



MSC plans to deploy its first net-zero carbon emissionscapable ship by 2030



Maersk plans to use green fuels for at least 25% of its cargo by 2030, supported by the deployment of methanol-enabled vessels



Carnival aims for net carbon-neutral ship operations by 2050 through alternative fuels



Wallenius Aims for net-zero emissions by 2050 and a 27.5% reduction in carbon intensity by 2030.

Challenges











What is the Port's Role in Shipping Decarbonization?



Facilitate fuel availability by supporting bunkering infrastructure and supply chain investments



Continue to support shore power



Provide incentives and preferential rates for alternative fuel adoption

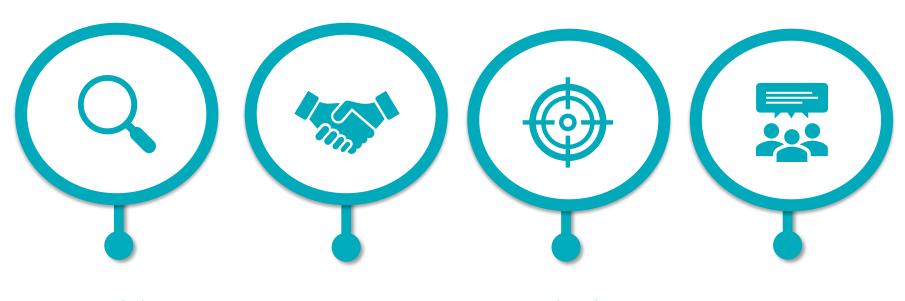


Collaborate with shipping lines and suppliers to support decarbonization

RECOMMENDATIONS

Market Based Mechanisms for Clean Marine Fuels	Implement tools like low-carbon fuel standards and GHG levies to incentivize clean fuel adoption.
Green Ship Incentive Programs	Expand initiatives that reward vessels using alternative fuels and meeting emissions standards.
Fueling Infrastructure Development	Invest in fuel storage, bunkering, and distribution systems for green hydrogen, methanol, and ammonia.
Technology Demonstration	Conduct pilot projects to test and validate clean fuel technologies and assess environmental benefits.
Leverage Green Shipping Corridors	Strengthen low- and zero-emission trade routes to encourage early adoption and knowledge sharing.
Streamlining the Permit Process	Simplify regulatory approvals to accelerate clean fuel infrastructure projects.
Funding Support	Increase grants and financial incentives for fuel supply, infrastructure, and clean technology deployment.

Next Steps



Feasibility Assessments

Strengthen Partnerships

Technology Demonstrations

Policy Advocacy



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