

Water Transportation Advisory Board



Monday, June 24, 2024
1:00 PM to 3:00 PM ET



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Water Transportation Advisory Board (WTAB)
June 9, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Approved by WTAB (date): _____

The meeting of the Water Transportation Advisory Board (WTAB) was called to order at 2:01 PM on June 9, 2023 held virtually.

The WTAB members in attendance were:

Brian Wright, Chair	Amanda Davenport
Chuck Davis	Steve Alley
Billy Ray Coursey	Tim Cahill

Also in attendance were:

Jeremy Edgeworth, KYTC	Ben Weithman, Henderson Riverport
Mikael Pelfrey, KYTC	Glen Kinder, Eddyville Riverport
Maegan Mansfield, Bacon, Farmer, Workman	Miguel Zamora, Louisville Riverport
Greg Curlin, Hickman Riverport	Jerry Pace, West Kentucky Regional Riverport
Chad Dorsey, MARAD	Jennifer Kirchner, KBT
Rachel Bayens, Government Strategies	

Welcome and Introductions:

Jeremy Edgeworth provided general housekeeping reminders for the virtual meeting after which the meeting was turned over to the Chair to conduct. The Chair welcomed all in attendance and all attendees introduced themselves.

Public Comment Period:

The Chair invited all attendees to make comments. No public comments were made.

Presentation of Minutes from June 10, 2022

The minutes of the June 10, 2022, meeting were presented and subsequently unanimously approved on motion of Tim Cahill, seconded by Steve Alley.

Election of WTAB Vice Chair

The prior Vice Chair was not renominated to the WTAB, thus a vacancy existed. After Board discussion about ability to serve, Billy Ray Coursey was nominated and unanimously approved as Vice Chair on motion of Amanda Davenport, seconded by Tim Cahill.

Update on Status of Open and Closed KRI projects

Jeremy Edgeworth presented a PowerPoint presentation of open and closed projects and invited representatives from the Riverports to discuss the status of their projects.

- Miguel Zamora (Louisville Riverport)-Riverport Rail Tie Replacement #7-Project will replace 1,000 ties and 49 switch ties to hold gage of 13 miles of track owned by Riverport. Increased work from Rail Tie #6 funds adds 21 switch ties, the tamping and regulating of 1-2 miles of main line, and all turnouts on industrial leads. Work is complete, project closed.
- Miguel Zamora (Louisville Riverport)-Construction of Tangent Connection at Loop Project-Project would construct 1,775 feet of new track and turnouts to allow rail traffic to bypass loop tracks. Bids came in higher than riverport budgeted and they could not cover increase. Project was canceled.

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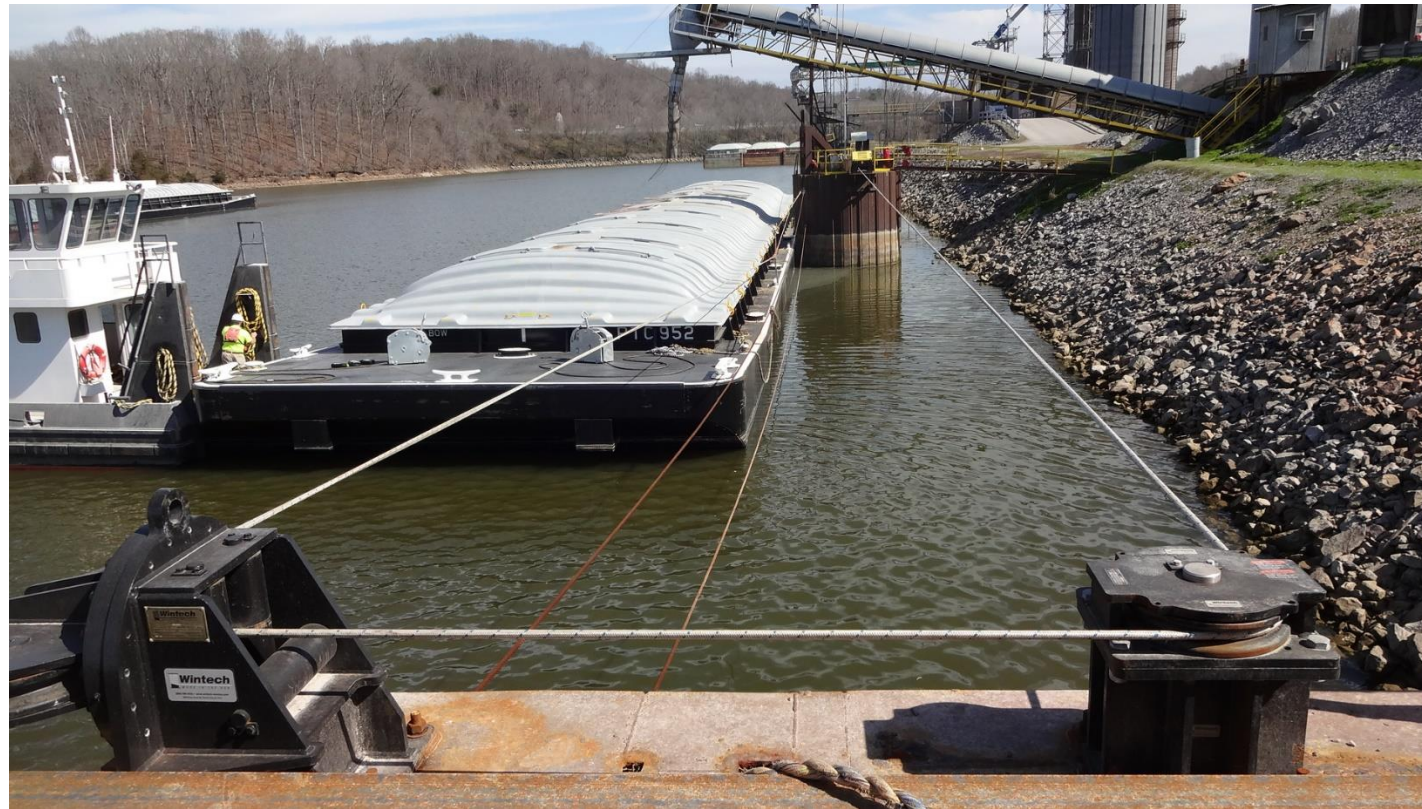
Adjourn

Eddyville Riverport and Industrial Development Authority Barge Positioning Winch System

Total Cost: \$210,116.00 – Awarded: \$105,058.00

Status: **Work Completed, Project Closed**

Project installed barge positioning winch system that through a remote control will shift a barge when loading/unloading more efficiently and safer than the current tug winch system.



Eddyville Riverport and Industrial Development Authority Laydown Yard Project

Total Cost: \$369,792.00 – Awarded – \$110,229.00

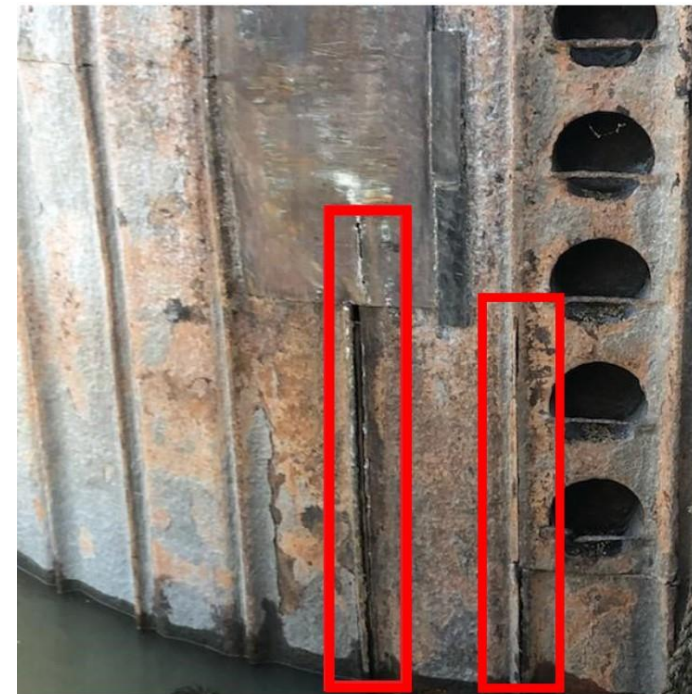
Status: **Work Completed, Project Closed**

Project graded, cleared, and leveled 3 acres and spread 2 inches dense grade aggregate to create additional port storage capabilities. Installed rip rap in necessary areas to prevent further erosion.



Hickman-Fulton County Riverport Authority Mooring Dock Cell Repair Project Total Cost: \$100,000.00 – Awarded: \$50,000.00 Status: **Work Completed, Project Closed**

Project made repairs to Mooring Cell 3, Mooring Cell 4, and Mooring Cell 6. Includes adding ballast, replacing damaged guardrail and patch plates over open interlock.



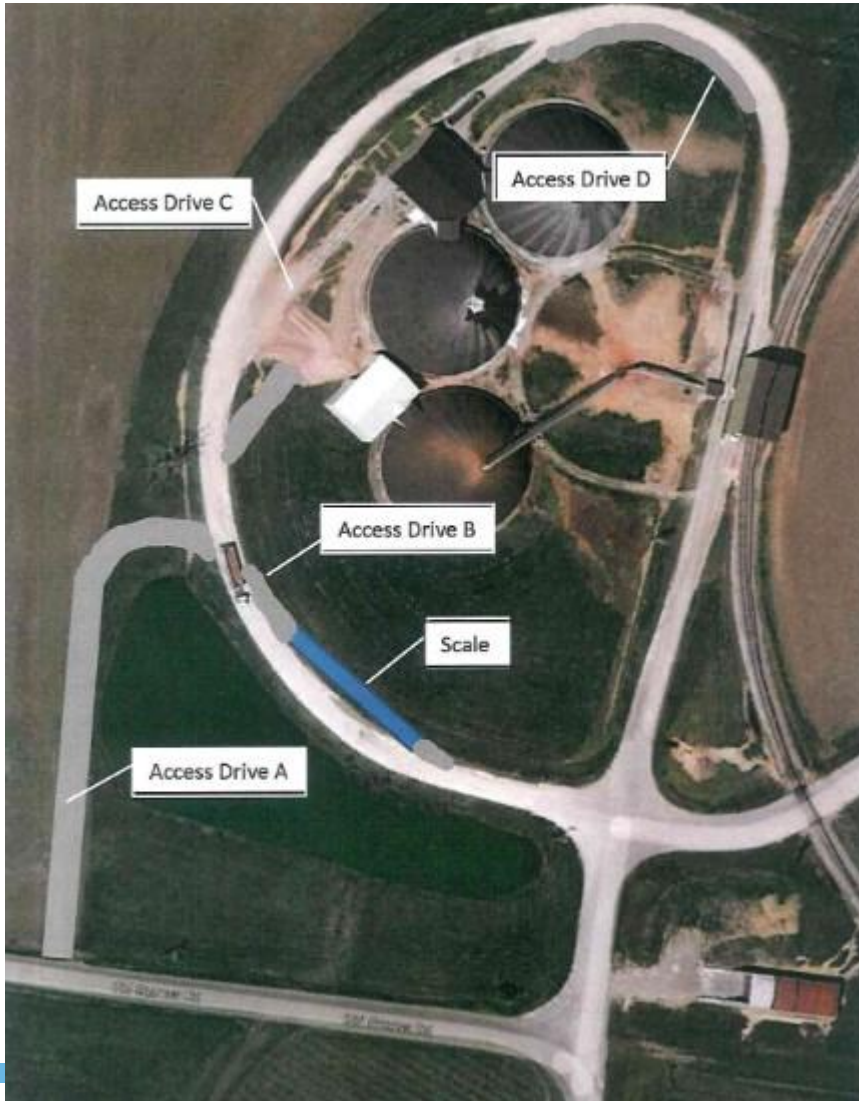
Eddyville Riverport and Industrial Development Authority
Caterpillar 330 Hydraulic Excavator Project
Total Cost: \$368,122.00 – Awarded: \$184,061.00
Status: **Excavator delivered, KYTC Closeout Inspection 6/28**

Project purchased new CAT 330 Excavator which will provide additional use capabilities, expand operations, and provide opportunities for diversity in commodity expansion. Would also provide redundancy to Sennebogen material handler used in daily operations.



Henderson County Riverport Authority Automated Truck Scale Project

Total Cost: \$244,913.63 – Awarded: \$122,000.00
Status: **Work completed, KYTC Closeout Inspection 6/28**



Project installed new automatic scale at a new location that provides more efficient movement of trucks. Project also includes adding an access drive to divert traffic from busy intersection and sections of current access drives widened to allow two lanes of traffic, increasing efficiency of the operation and reduced idle times.

Owensboro Riverport Authority
10,000lb Forklift Project
Total Cost: \$78,950.00 – Awarded: \$16,169.57
Status: **Forklift ordered, delivery delayed to September 2024**

Proposed project would purchase a new 10,000 lb. forklift to unload metals (aluminum and steel) received by barge or railcar. New forklift would provide improved emissions, improve fuel consumption, improved safety standards, and savings on maintenance.



Owensboro Riverport Authority

25,000lb Forklift Project

Total Cost: \$231,719.20 – Awarded: \$115,859.60

Status: **Forklift ordered, delivery delayed to November 2024**



Proposed project would purchase new 25,000 lb. forklift to handle metals (aluminum and steel) for both placing in storage and loading for outbound. New forklift would improve fuel consumption, improve safety standards, and savings on maintenance. New forklift would replace 2014 model with limited availability of replacement parts.

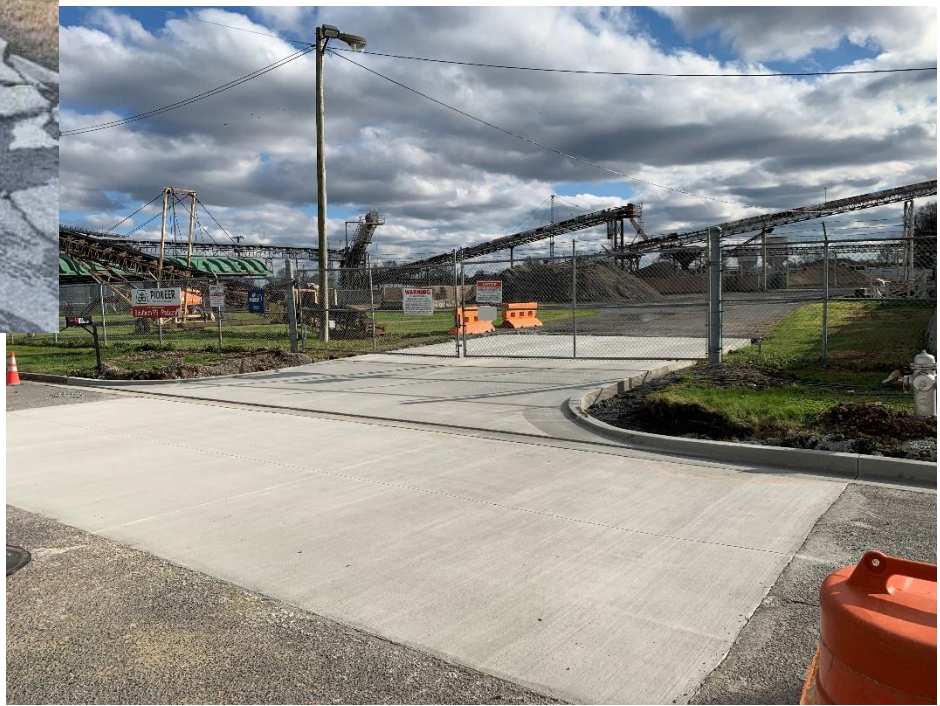
Owensboro Riverport Authority
Compact Track Loader Project
Total Cost: \$62,799.66 – Awarded: \$31,399.83
Status: **Loader delivered, Project Closed**



Project replaced existing 2014 model used in daily operations with a new compact track loader. Old track loader has 11,000 hours and due to highly corrosive commodities moved and harsh operating environment, equipment suffered premature failures and limited life span. New compact track loader provides improved emissions standards, improved fuel consumption, improved safety standards and savings on maintenance.

Paducah-McCracken County Riverport Authority
4th Street Concrete Aprons Project
Total Cost: \$61,020.00 – Awarded: \$30,510.00
Status: **Apron 1 complete, Apron 2 just poured**

Project replaces two 1970-1980s vintage entranceways and aprons. Both entranceways have far exceeded their life expectancy, are extremely deteriorated and need to be replaced with hardened concrete and rebar to support increasing truck shipment activities. Replacement aprons will provide increased access into the bulk commodity storage yard and radioactive materials license designated yard areas.





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DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT

TO: WATER TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD

FROM: _____
Name Position

Agency, Board, or Commission Telephone

MEMBER OF BOARD OR COMMISSION COMPLETES

1. Executive Order 2008-454 requires members appointed to policy making and regulatory boards or commissions to disclose in writing any interest he or she possesses or acquires that might reasonably tend to create a conflict with the public interest. Please be advised that I have the following business, financial or personal interest which may create an actual or perceived conflict:

2. The following matter is before this board or commission and is related to the above interest:

3. I have the following duties or responsibilities to the board or commission that are related to the above interest:

4. a. A decision on this matter will take place, or took place, on _____
(mm/dd/yyyy) Yes No

b. I participated, or plan to participate, in the decision making process on this matter.

I did/will not participate in the decision making process on this matter.

5. I request advice from the board or commission regarding this matter.

Date Signature

BOARD OR COMMISSION DETERMINATION

1. The facts disclosed do not indicate a conflict of interest exists.

2. The facts disclosed indicated a conflict of interest because:

3. The board or commission action(s):

Date Chair

Conflicts of Interest

- *No Conflict*
 - *Sections 1, 2 & 3 write "Not Applicable"*
 - *In Section 4b after "I participated, or plan to participate, in the decision-making process on this matter", indicate Yes.*
 - *Leave Section 5 blank*
 - *Sign and Date*
- *Conflict*
 - *Section 1, outline your riverport association.*
 - *Section 2, identify that you have submitted applications for KRI/KPRCM grant funds, but will not be voting on your projects.*
 - *Section 3, identify your role with the board (Board Chair, Board Member, etc).*
 - *Section 4b after "I participated, or plan to participate, in the decision-making process on this matter", indicate Yes.*
 - *Leave Section 5 blank*
 - *Sign and Date*

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- Chair
 - No Conflict
 - Mark Section 1, "The facts disclosed do not indicate a conflict of interest exists."
 - Sign and date at bottom.
- Conflict
 - Mark Section 2, "The facts disclosed indicated a conflict of interest because:"
 - Write "X has submitted applications for grants to be considered by WTAB"
 - Mark Section 3, "The board or commission action(s):"
 - Write "X will be excluded from voting on their applications."
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FY 2025 KRI Funds

Available Funds: \$500,000.00

- *HB 265/SB 91 - (5) Riverport Improvements: Included in the above General Fund appropriation is \$500,000 in each fiscal year to the Riverport Financial Assistance Trust Fund (KRS 174.210). Notwithstanding KRS 45.229, any portion of General Fund not expended for this purpose shall lapse to the Budget Reserve Trust Fund Account (KRS 48.705). Mandated reports shall be submitted pursuant to Part I, A., 1., (4) of this Act.*
 - \$500,000 for FY 25
 - 80/20 Match
- These will be up-front grant money in the form of a single lump sum payment in the amount of the award as in the past.
- Eligible projects shall provide dredging or improve Riverport facilities, infrastructure, or critical material handling equipment.
- Board members will vote on whether the project is an eligible project and then prioritize eligible projects for funding.



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Eddyville	Caterpillar D6 Dozer Project	\$506,556.00	\$405,244.00
Henderson	9,000 lbs. Forklift Project	\$80,700.00	\$64,560.00
Henderson	12,000 lbs. Forklift Project	\$96,900.00	\$77,520.00
Henderson	15,500 lbs. Forklift Project	\$119,200.00	\$95,360.00
Hickman	Dock Dredging Project	\$81,720.00	\$65,376.00
Hickman	Spreader Bar and Coil Hooks Project	\$24,500.00	\$19,600.00
Louisville	Caterpillar 255 Skid Steer Project	\$81,508.00	\$65,207.00
Owensboro	Low Road Loadout Project	\$305,497.00	\$244,398.00
Paducah	48 foot Flatbed Trailer Project	\$35,300.00	\$28,240.00
Paducah	Bobcat S650 Skid Steer Project	\$57,569.00	\$46,055.00
	Total	\$1,389,450.00	\$1,111,560.00

Eddyville Riverport and Industrial Development Authority Caterpillar D6 Dozer Project

Total Cost: \$506,556.00 – KRI Funds Requested: \$405,244.00



Project would purchase a new CAT D6-20VP Dozer with High Lift Ripper to allow improvements to undeveloped portions of the Riverport and provide additional opportunities for expansion. New dozer would also provide support for stockpiling and movement of aggregates, recycling or timber.

Henderson County Riverport Authority
9,000 lbs. Forklift Project
Total Cost: \$80,700.00 – KRI Funds Requested: \$64,560.00

Project would replace an older 9,000 lbs. forklift near the end of its useful life with a new Taylor GTR-90 or equivalent. Replacing forklift fleet will ensure enough units to accommodate customers needs.



Henderson County Riverport Authority
12,000 lbs. Forklift Project
Total Cost: \$96,900.00 – KRI Funds Requested: \$77,520.00



Project would replace an older 11,000 lbs. forklift near the end of its useful life with a new Taylor GTR-120 or equivalent. Replacing forklift fleet will ensure enough units to accommodate customers needs.

Henderson County Riverport Authority
15,500 lbs. Forklift Project
Total Cost: \$119,200.00 – KRI Funds Requested: \$95,360.00

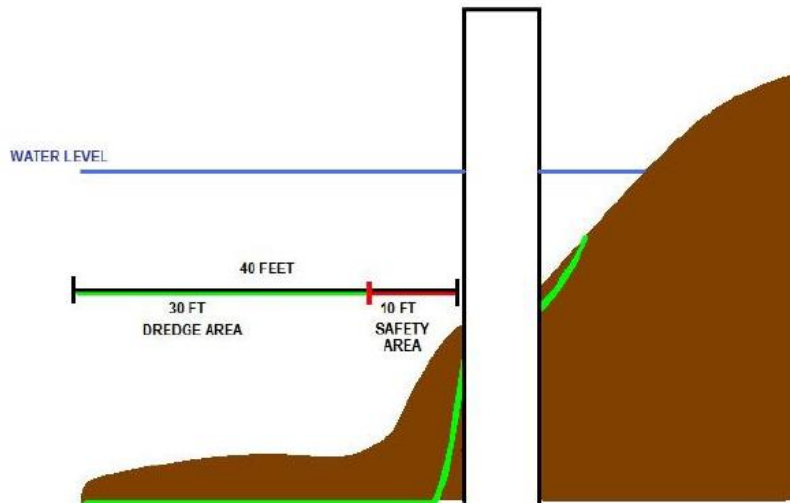


Project would replace an older 15,500 lbs. forklift near the end of its useful life with a new Taylor GT-155 or equivalent. Replacing forklift fleet will ensure enough units to accommodate customers needs.

Hickman Fulton County Riverport Authority Dock Dredging Project

Total Cost: \$81,720.00 – KRI Funds Requested: \$65,376.00

Proposed project will dredge a 700 ft. by 30 ft. area around the docks and remove approximately 15,000 cubic yards of material to maintain normal business operations.



Hickman Fulton County Riverport Authority
Spreader Bar and Coil Hooks Project
Total Cost: \$24,500.00 – KRI Funds Requested: \$19,600.00



Project will design and construct new spreader bar and coil hooks for unloading different size wire coils from barges. Current equipment is wearing out and is not compatible with the different sizes of wire coils handled by the riverport.

Louisville Jefferson County Riverport Authority
Caterpillar 255 Skid Steer Project
Total Cost: \$81,508.00 – KRI Funds Requested: \$65,207.00

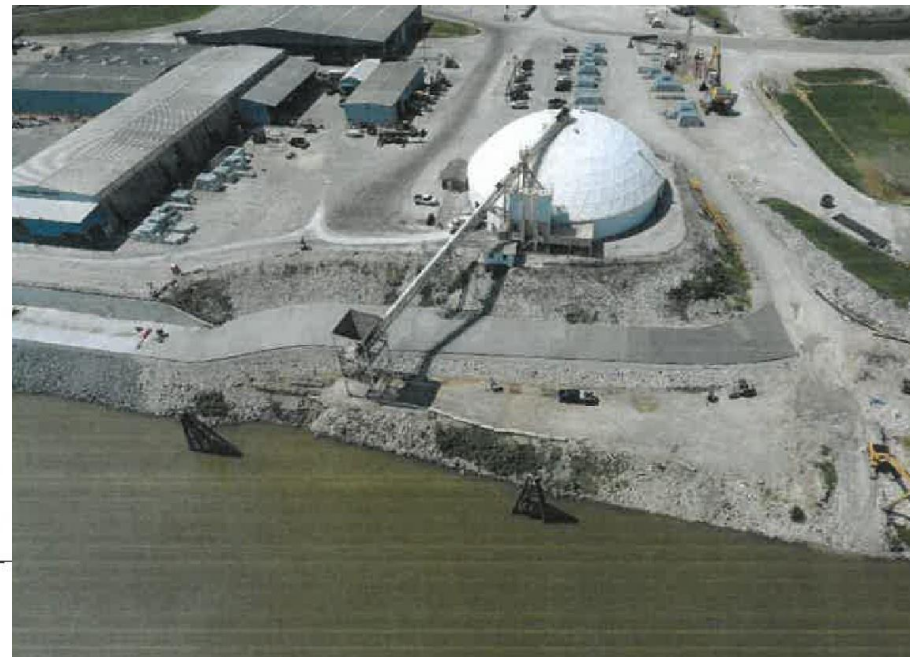
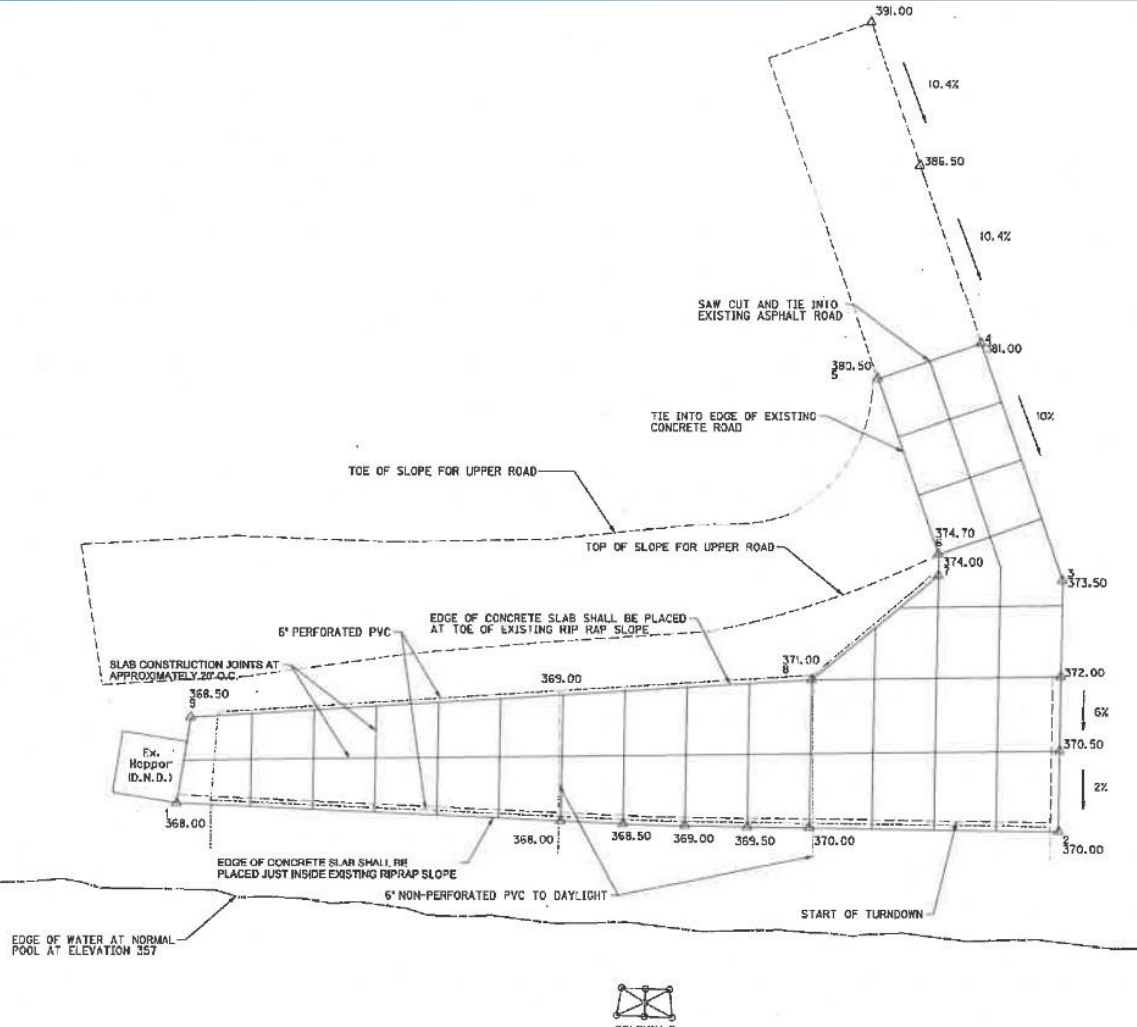


Project would replace leased skid steer with 2025 hours with a new CAT 255 on statewide master agreement. Skid steer is used at port to transload bulk materials from barges and rail cars. Skid steers clean barges carrying bulk materials and recover spillage incurred in transload operations.

Owensboro Riverport Authority Low Road Loadout Project

Total Cost: \$305,497.00 – KRI Funds Requested: \$244,398.00

Project would stabilize and concrete the bulk loadout dock. Area is subject to soft soils and saturated ground. When loading materials, trucks dumping in this area are getting stuck and contaminating material being staged. Project would allow for sufficient drainage and provide concrete stabilization for operations.



Paducah McCracken County Riverport Authority
48-foot Flatbed Trailer Project
Total Cost: \$35,300.00 – KRI Funds Requested: \$28,240.00



Project would purchase a 48-foot, spring slider, steel chassis flatbed trailer to replace rented trailer. Trailer is used to distribute supersacks arriving by barge into multiple port owned warehouses before distribution to the region. Purchase of trailer would create redundancy by avoiding days when a flatbed trailer is not available to rent.

Paducah McCracken County Riverport Authority
Bobcat S650 Skid Steer Loader Project
Total Cost: \$57,569.00 – KRI Funds Requested: \$46,055.00

Project would replace existing 2015 Bobcat near the end of its useful life with a new Bobcat S650 utilizing a statewide master agreement. Skid Steer is utilized with discharging operations at bulk commodity river berth.





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FY 2025 KPRCM Funds

Available Funds: \$750,000 per port

- *HB 1, (225) \$7,500,000 in each fiscal year to the General Administration and Support budget unit in the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet to improve public riverports within Kentucky. Of this amount, \$250,000 in each fiscal year shall be distributed to the West Kentucky Regional Riverport Authority to support predevelopment archaeological activities. In addition, each existing public riverport shall receive \$750,000 in each fiscal year for construction and maintenance as authorized by KRS 65.520 and for eligible use as described in KRS 174.210(3), and no local match shall be required. Any remaining balance shall be distributed at the Transportation Cabinet Secretary's discretion and may be disbursed to riverport authorities for existing and developing riverports. Notwithstanding KRS 45.229, any portion of these funds that have not been expended by the end of fiscal year 2024-2025 shall not lapse and shall carry forward into fiscal year 2025-2026;*
 - \$750,000 for each public riverport authority
 - No local match required
- KYTC has requested/granted from State Budget Director that these be up-front grant money in the form of a single lump sum payment in the amount of the award as with KRI.
- Conditions:
 - Competitively procure required contractor/vendor, unless using Master Agreement.
 - Submit signed letter to KYTC requesting disbursement after procurement completed.
 - Grant funds kept in separate dedicated bank account.
 - Pre- and post field inspections required (in most cases).
 - Monthly email updates required.
 - Copies of all charges supported by properly executed invoices, contracts, vouchers, and receipts for any materials, equipment, and labor.
 - Unspent funds reimbursed to KY State Treasurer.

FY 2025 KPRCM Funds

Available Funds: \$750,000 per port

- Eligible projects as outlined in KRS 174.210(3) shall provide for new construction and major replacement or repair projects, including but not limited to improvement of docks, wharves, equipment, port buildings, storage facilities, roads and railroads to facilitate the flow of commerce through the port, other on-site improvements, and related professional services.
- Projects must be within the boundary of the public riverport authority, on facilities or equipment owned or leased by the public riverport authority, or facilities or equipment that will be owned by the public riverport authority upon completion of the project.
- Eligible projects shall not include routine operations, maintenance, or repair activities.

- Board members will vote on whether the submitted project meets the outlined criteria to be considered eligible for KPRCM funding.



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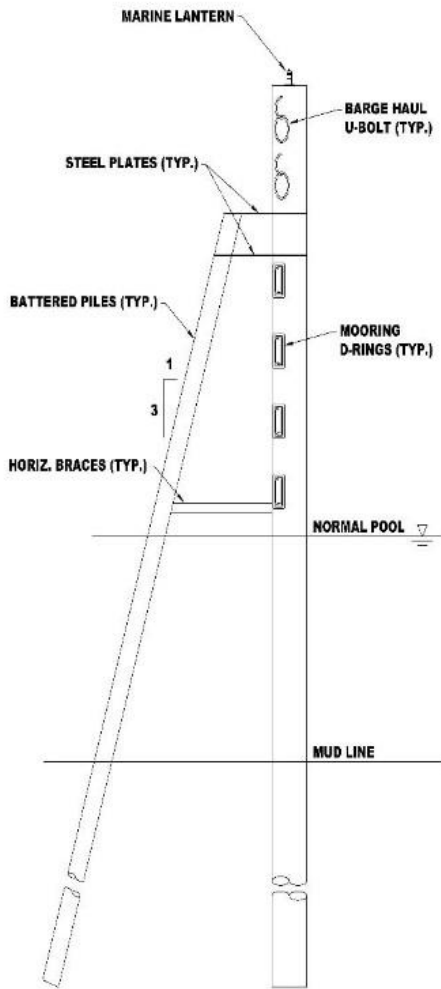
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Riverport	Project	Total Cost	KPRCM Requested
Eddyville	Dolphin Installation Project	\$1,498,905.00	\$750,000.00
Eddyville	Sheet Pile Shoring Installation Project	\$1,499,073.00	\$750,000.00
Henderson	Electric Material Handler Project	\$2,000,000.00	\$750,000.00
Hickman	Mooring Dock Cell Repair Project	\$550,000.00	\$481,900.00
Hickman	Volvo L90H2 Wheeled Loader Project	\$305,100.00	\$268,100.00
Louisville	Gantry Crane Rehab Project	\$700,000.00	\$700,000.00
Maysville	Riverport Equipment Purchase Project	\$622,522.00	\$622,522.00
Owensboro	Warehouse 10 Project	\$1,063,954.00	\$750,000.00
Paducah	Barge Cell Revitalization Project	\$750,000.00	\$750,000.00
	Total	\$8,989,744.00	\$5,822,522.00

Eddyville Riverport and Industrial Development Authority Dolphin Installation Project

Total Cost: \$1,498,905.00 – KPRCM Funds Requested: \$750,000.00

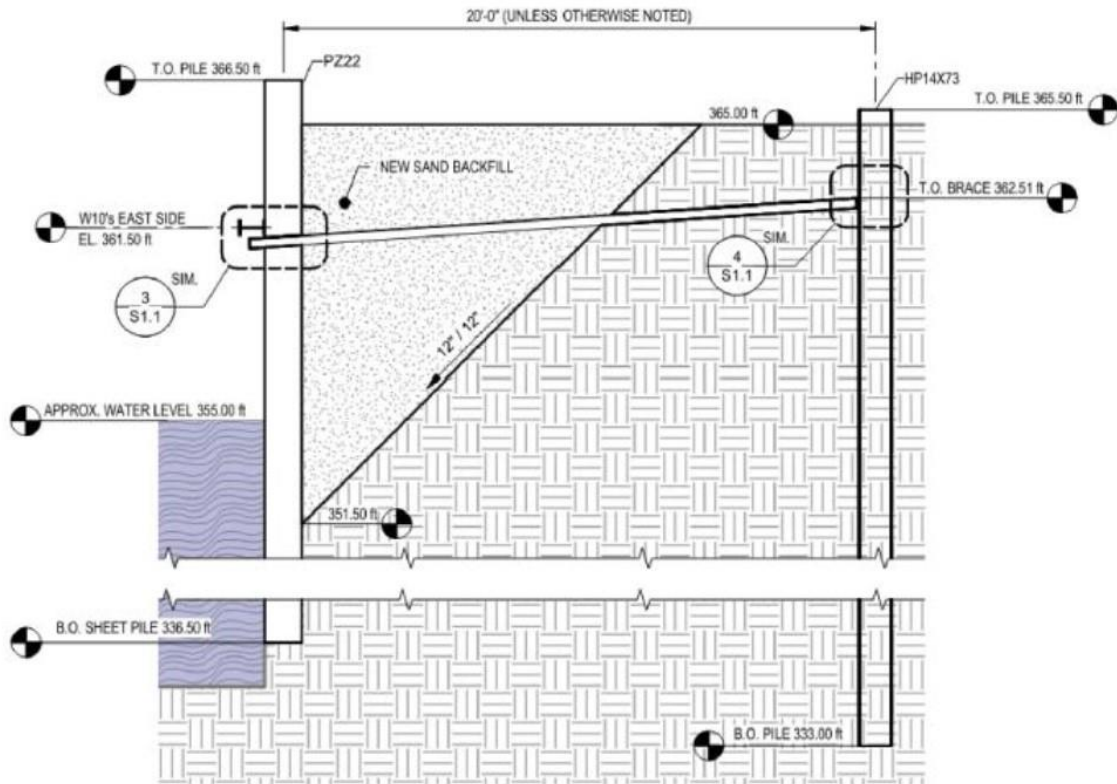
Project would install three mooring dolphins to facilitate the staging of additional barges. The mooring dolphins will provide efficient access for the movement of barge traffic without delaying current operations at the port.



Eddyville Riverport and Industrial Development Authority Sheet Pile Shoring Installation Project

Total Cost: \$1,499,073.00 – KPRCM Funds Requested: \$750,000.00

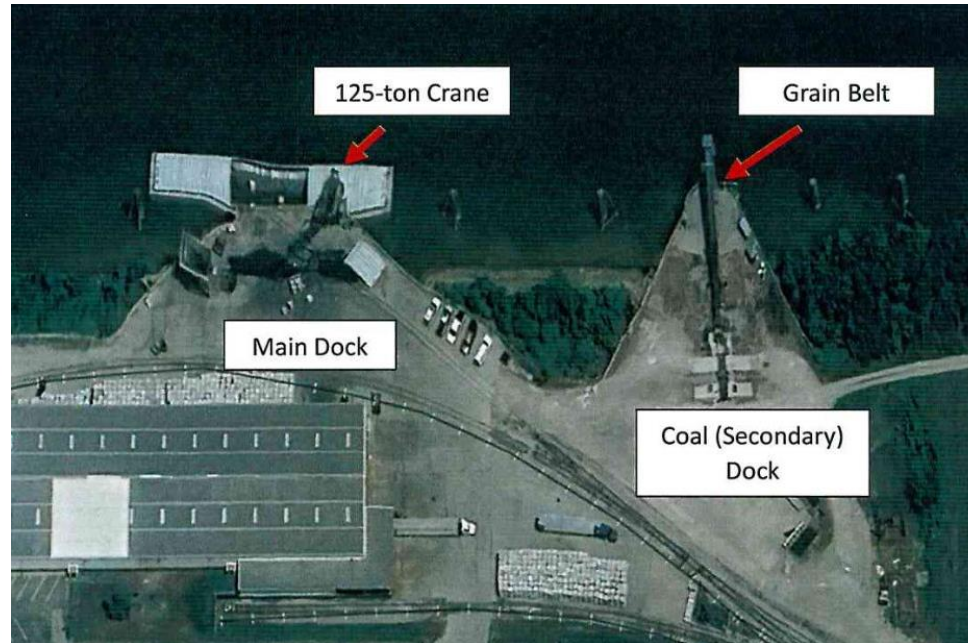
Project will extend the current sheet pile shoring wall approximately 500 feet. The project would reinforce and restore the bank and allow for close access in the loading and unloading of equipment and barges.



Henderson County Riverport Authority Electric Material Handler Project Total Cost: \$2,000,190.00 – KPRCM Funds Requested: \$750,000.00

Secondary Dock/Grain Belt

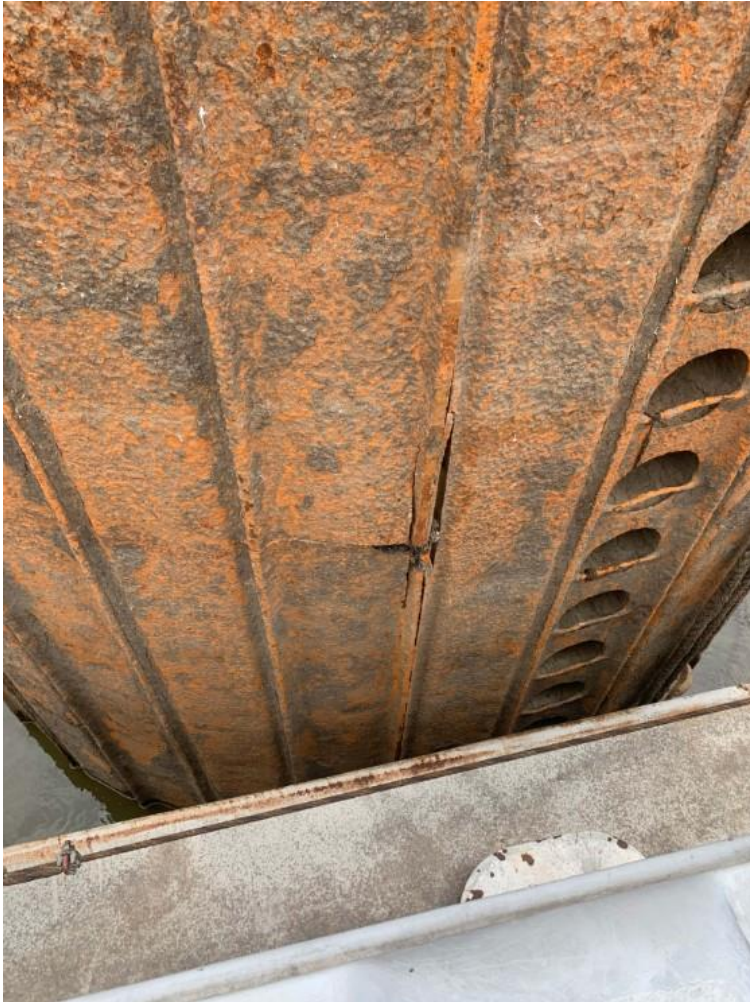
Project would purchase a new material handler to replace the mobile conveyor system at secondary dock slated for removal. Material handler would facilitate loading and unloading of bulk fertilizer, aggregates, grain and scrap. Would also provide backup to existing 40-year-old 125-ton cable crane.



Hickman Fulton County Riverport Authority Mooring Dock Cell Repair Project

Total Cost: \$550,000.00 – KPRCM Funds Requested: \$481,900.00

Project would make long term repairs to Mooring Cells 2, 3, and 4. Temporary patches and repairs have been made, but full circumference bands are needed for protection and stability and to prevent loss of internal ballast stone.



Hickman Fulton County Riverport Authority
Volvo L90H2 Wheeled Loader Project
Total Cost: \$305,100.00 – KPRCM Funds Requested: \$268,100.00



Project would replace wheel loader from 2003 that has become increasing difficult to maintain due to its age. New Volvo L90H2 Wheeled Loader would be used to load and unload bulk materials to truck once unloaded from barges. Loader would be purchased from Statewide Master Agreement.



Louisville Jefferson County Riverport Authority Gantry Crane Rehab Project

Total Cost: \$700,000.00 – KPRCM Funds Requested: \$700,000.00

Project would replace 35-year-old gantry cranes electronic power, command control, cab, and braking systems. Rehab project would make river transportation more reliable for customers, improve safety and make river dock's business sustainable.



Maysville Mason County Riverport Authority
Riverport Equipment Purchase Project
Total Cost: \$622,522.00 – KPRCM Funds Requested: \$622,522.00

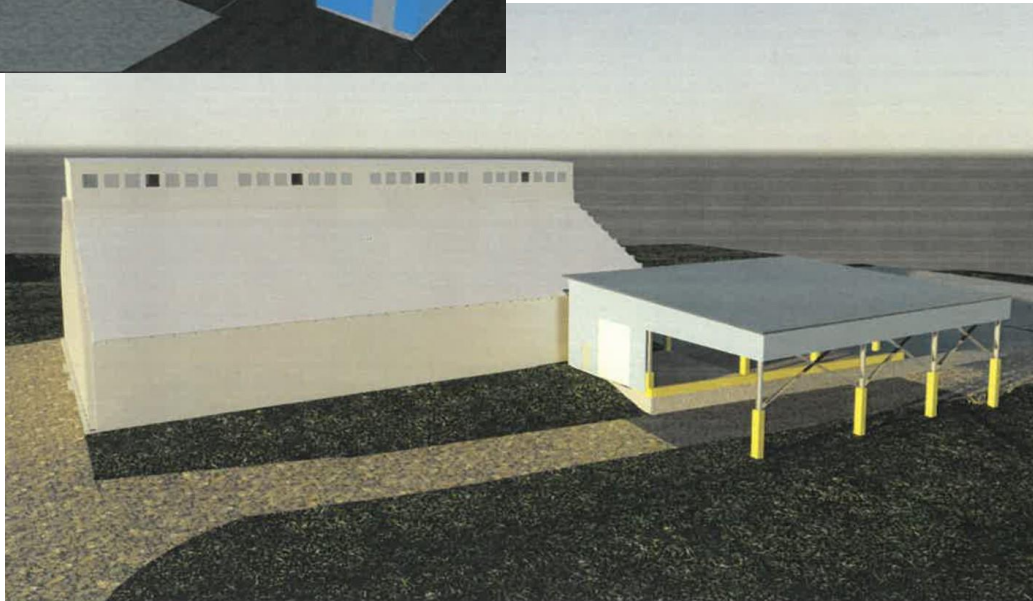
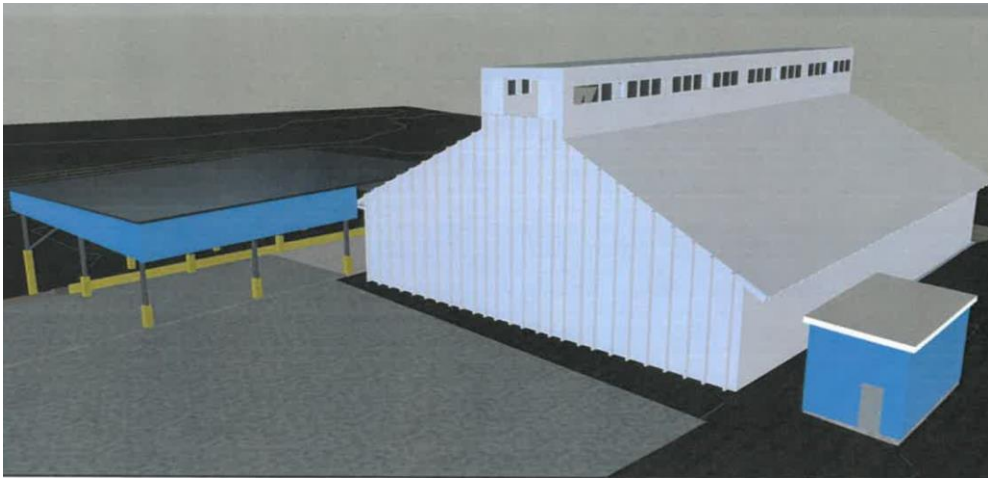
Project would purchase Triple Stack Portable Transfer Conveyor, Large Wheel Loader, and Radial Stacker to allow Riverport to continue current operations consisting of loading coal ash from the adjacent rail line facility. Also allow expansion of operations to include agricultural transport.



Owensboro Riverport Authority Warehouse 10 Project

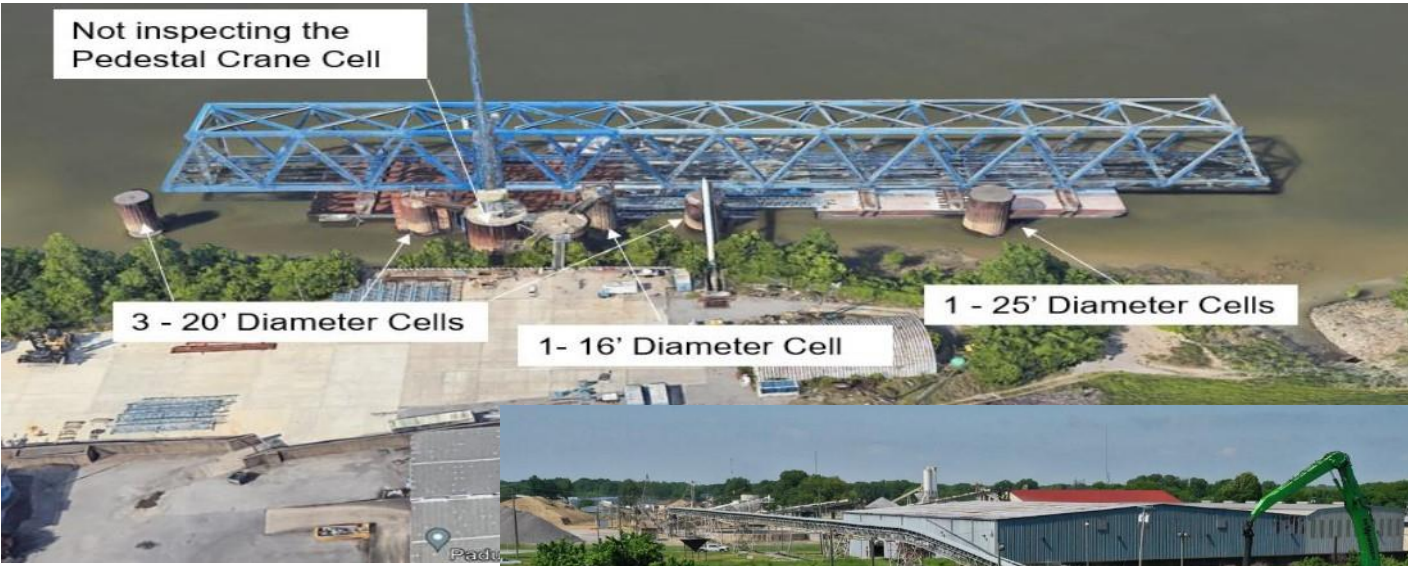
Total Cost: \$1,063,954.00 – KPRCM Funds Requested: \$750,000.00

ORA recently purchased the disused property and rehabilitated existing structures. This project would be 2nd phase to install new electric and build an overhang dock area for loading out during all conditions prior to being able to lease out facility for bulk storage.



Paducah McCracken County Riverport Authority Barge Cell Revitalization Project

Total Cost: \$750,000.00 – KPRCM Funds Requested: \$750,000.00



Project would involve inspection of nine barge cells by engineers and divers and then begin making repairs to the most needed barge cells. Repairs would involve patches or full bands and replenishing cell aggregate material.





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Applications for FY 2025 KPRCM Funds

Available Funds: \$750,000 per port

Riverport	Project	Total Cost	KPRCM Requested
Eddyville	Dolphin Installation Project	\$1,498,905.00	\$750,000.00
Eddyville	Sheet Pile Shoring Installation Project	\$1,499,073.00	\$750,000.00
Henderson	Electric Material Handler Project	\$2,000,000.00	\$750,000.00
Hickman	Mooring Dock Cell Repair Project	\$550,000.00	\$481,900.00
Hickman	Volvo L90H2 Wheeled Loader Project	\$305,100.00	\$268,100.00
Louisville	Gantry Crane Rehab Project	\$700,000.00	\$700,000.00
Maysville	Riverport Equipment Purchase Project	\$622,522.00	\$622,522.00
Owensboro	Warehouse 10 Project	\$1,063,954.00	\$750,000.00
Paducah	Barge Cell Revitalization Project	\$750,000.00	\$750,000.00
	Total	\$8,989,744.00	\$5,822,522.00



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