A Final Draft Port Master Update (PMPU) has been prepared for San Diego Unified Port District (District) in the Cities of San Diego (excluding Pond 20), Imperial Beach, and Coronado. The Final Draft PMPU area includes Planning Districts 1-4, a portion of 7, and 8-10.

The PMPU is an update to the District’s existing Port Master Plan, with the exception of the National City and Chula Vista Bayfronts Planning Districts. Pursuant to the California Coastal Act and the District’s Port Act, the Port Master Plan provides the official planning policies of the District consistent with the general statewide purpose, for the physical development of the tide and submerged lands conveyed and granted in trust, to the District and its acquired uplands. The PMPU would: 1) control the allowable land and water uses within the District; 2) list known "appealable" projects; and 3) include goals, objectives, and policies that would implement the broad policies of the California Coastal Act and shape the characteristics of development, coastal access, recreation, and environmental conservation to the year 2050, throughout the applicable District jurisdiction. The PMPU contains six Baywide Elements; Baywide Development Standards; and special allowances, planned improvements, and development standards that would apply to eight of the District’s ten Planning Districts. The PMPU also describes Plan Implementation and Development Conformance for future, potential development, consistent with the California Coastal Act.

The Final Draft PMPU will be considered for approval, with or without modification, by the Board of Port Commissioners (BPC) following a public hearing during a Special Session BPC Meeting, scheduled for Wednesday, February 28, 2024. Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 30712, the public hearing may occur up to 90 days of publication of this notice. A companion document, the Final Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) for the PMPU, will also be considered by the BPC for certification, at that same Special Session BPC Meeting.

The Final Draft PMPU and Final PEIR will be available for review and download at https://www.portofsandiego.org/public-records/port-updates/notices-disclosures/ceqa-documents, by December 6, 2023. A tracked-changes version of the “Final Draft PMPU” will also be available to show the text changes made since the Draft PMPU was published in Fall 2021. Paper copies of the Final Draft PMPU and Final PEIR will also be available for review in the Office of the District Clerk, at the District Administration Building, by December 6, 2023. The public, interested organizations, and government agencies are encouraged to submit testimony, statements and evidence relative to the Final Draft PMPU and Final PEIR at the Special Session BPC Meeting, or in written form prior to that meeting. Written information should be submitted to the attention of the District Clerk, San Diego Unified Port District, 3165 Pacific Highway, San Diego, CA 92101 or at PublicRecords@portofsandiego.org.

The District will hold two virtual public meetings for the public to receive a refresher on the PMPU process, during which staff will: 1) recap the PMPU process to date; 2) review what changes have been made as a result of public and stakeholder feedback; and 3) take public comments and questions. District staff plan to present the comments and feedback to the BPC, during the Special Session BPC meeting. The virtual public meetings will contain the same information and are scheduled for the following dates and times:

- Tuesday, December 12: 6:00-7:00 P.M., VIRTUAL Meeting #1; and
- Thursday, December 14: 1:00-2:00 P.M., VIRTUAL Meeting #2.

For more information on how to register and receive the weblink for the virtual meetings, please visit www.portofsandiego.org/pmpu. Questions may be directed to Dennis Campbell in the District’s Planning Department, at (619) 686-7218 or dcampbell@portofsandiego.org.