

# CA Marine Terminal Infrastructure Constraints & Outlook

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# Permitting Challenges

**Liquid Transportation Fuels** 

- Energy Planning Results
- Infrastructure Needs
- Regulatory Framework
- Challenges & Guidelines

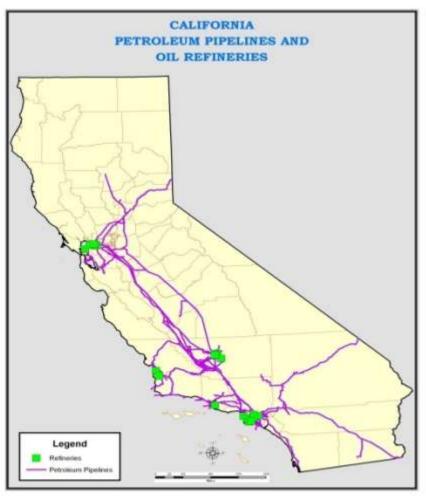


#### 2007 IEPR:

- CA needs reliable & safe supply of fuels
- Constraints lead to higher costs
- Need robust, environmentally & technologically sound infrastructure



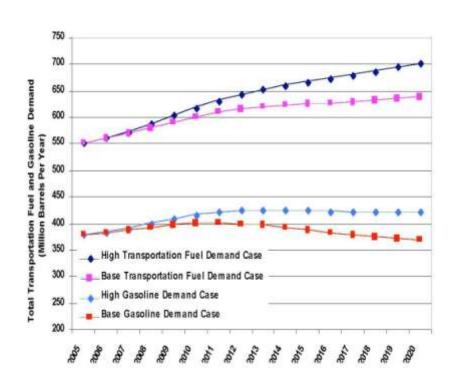
### CA Fuels Infrastructure



- 51 Marine Terminals
- 52 Storage/Distribution Facilities
- 22 Refineries
- 5,560 Miles of Pipeline



#### Concerns



- Growing demand for fuel products
- Infrastructure at or near capacity
- Capacity may decline
- Infrastructure must upgrade or expand



### Infrastructure Needs

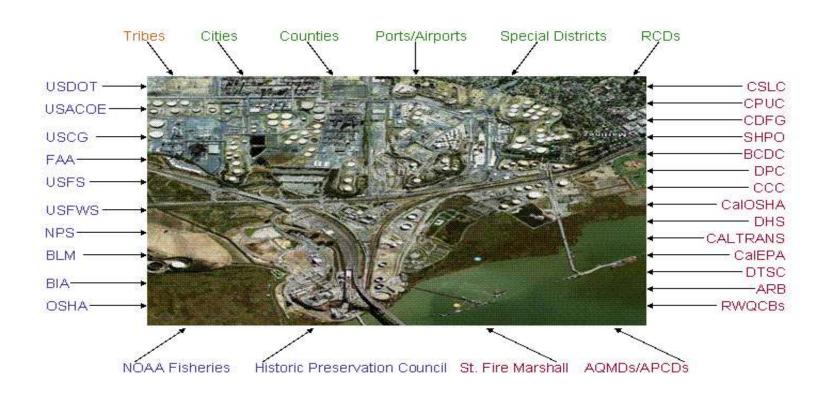
- Ongoing maintenance, repairs & replacements
- Future expansions for all fuels
  - including clean/alternative fuels
- Federal plans for energy corridors
- Continuing need for permits



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# Complex Regulatory Framework



#### Key:

Federal Agencies, Tribal Governments, Local Jurisdictions, State Agencies



# Permitting Could Involve Any Of:

- 25 state/federal agencies
- 58 counties
- 478 cities
- 2,300 special districts
- 107 sovereign Native American nations



## **Permits**

Federal/Tribes	State/Regional	Local
•Army Corps	•Caltrans	•Cities
<ul> <li>Bureau of Land Management</li> <li>National Park Service</li> <li>Fish &amp; Wildlife Service</li> <li>Aviation Admin.</li> <li>Tribes</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Regional Water Boards</li> <li>Coastal Commission</li> <li>Bay Commission</li> <li>Air Quality Man. Districts</li> <li>OSHA</li> <li>Toxics</li> <li>Fish &amp; Game</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Counties</li><li>Ports</li><li>Airports</li><li>Special Districts</li></ul>



### Consultations

Federal/Tribes	State/Regional	Local
•NOAA Fisheries	•Historic	•Resource
<ul> <li>Advisory Council</li> </ul>	Preservation	Conservation
on Hist. Preserv.	Officer	Districts
•Tribal Monitors	•Air Resources	
•Fish & Wildlife	Board	
Service	•Dept. of Fish &	
•Bureau of Indian	Game	
Affairs	•Lands	
•Coast Guard	Commission	



# Leases/Agreements & Approvals

Federal/Tribes	State/Regional	Local
•Bureau of Indian Affairs •Forest Service	<ul> <li>Dept. of Fish &amp; Game</li> <li>Fire Marshall – Office of Pipeline Safety</li> <li>Public Utilities Commission</li> <li>Lands Commission</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Cities</li><li>Counties</li><li>Notification</li><li>Centers</li><li>Ports/Airports</li></ul>



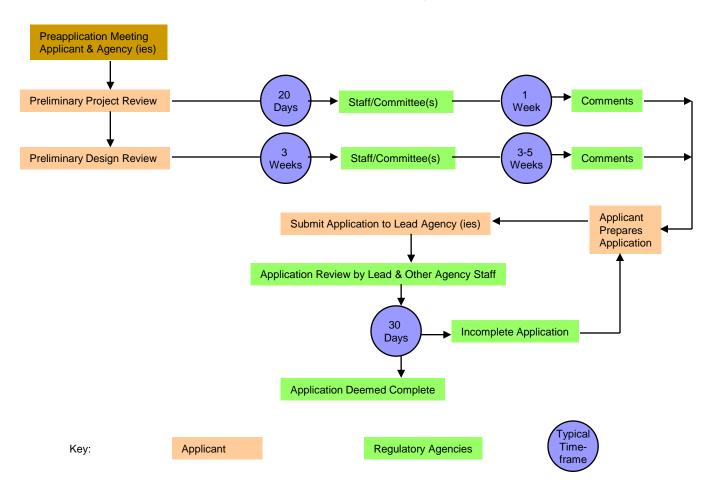
# Certifications/Decisions & Determinations

Federal/Tribes	State/Regional	Local
•Lead NEPA	•Lead CEQA	•Lead CEQA
Agencies	Agencies	Agencies
	•Coastal	
	Commission	
	•Bay Commission	
	•Lands	
	Commission	
	•Regional Water	
	Boards	



# Typical Permitting Process

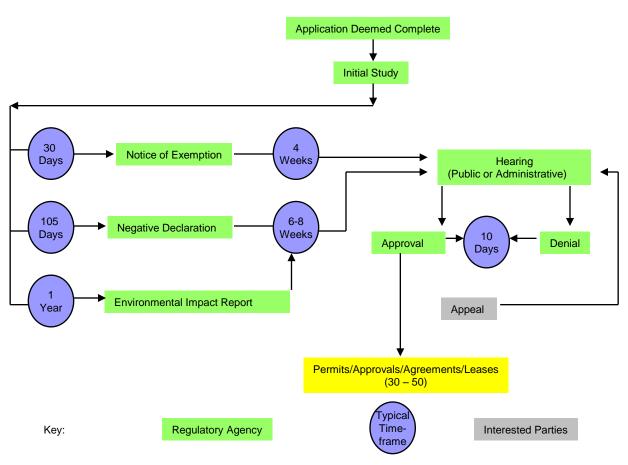
#### **Completing Application**





## **Typical Permitting Process**

Post - Application





# Typical Permitting Timeframes

- Non-emergency, exempt from CEQA
  - About 6 months

- EIR or EIR/EIS required:
  - o 1-5 to ??? Years
    - Depends on complexity, location, # of permits & level of controversy



## Challenges...

- Incomplete applications
- Questions on applicability of laws
- Lack of agency coordination
- Inexperienced staff
- Agency consultation/approval delays



# ...Challenges

- Inconsistent agency decisions
- Balancing impacts & need for fuels
- Concerns draw out environmental review process
- Lack of information on statewide needs



#### Results:

- Regulatory challenges can delay permitting
- Many problems are with processes
- Need better coordination & info transfer

Some practices can serve as models



### Permitting Guidelines...

- Make use of pre-app. meetings
- Identify key agencies
- Provide timely consultations/comments
- Agency partnering



#### ...Guidelines...

- Coordinate agency reviews
- Joint-agency working groups
- Keep to timelines/milestones
- Consider expedited agency reviews



#### ...Guidelines...

- Buffers around facilities
- Facility master planning
- Ensure adequately trained staff
- Seek personnel with energy experience



#### ...Guidelines

- Identify "chain of command"
- Use clear criteria for decisions
- Publish model decisions
- Use gov. relations & public outreach
- Expand CEC's participation



# Permitting Guidelines Common Themes

- Applicants and agencies share responsibility for timely processes
- Applicants must be pro-active
- Agencies must coordinate and cooperate