



**Port St. Joe**  
FLORIDA

# PORT ST. JOE

**Strategic  
Opportunities  
for Port St. Joe's  
Emerging Port**



**Panama Canal**



# PORT of PORT ST. JOE

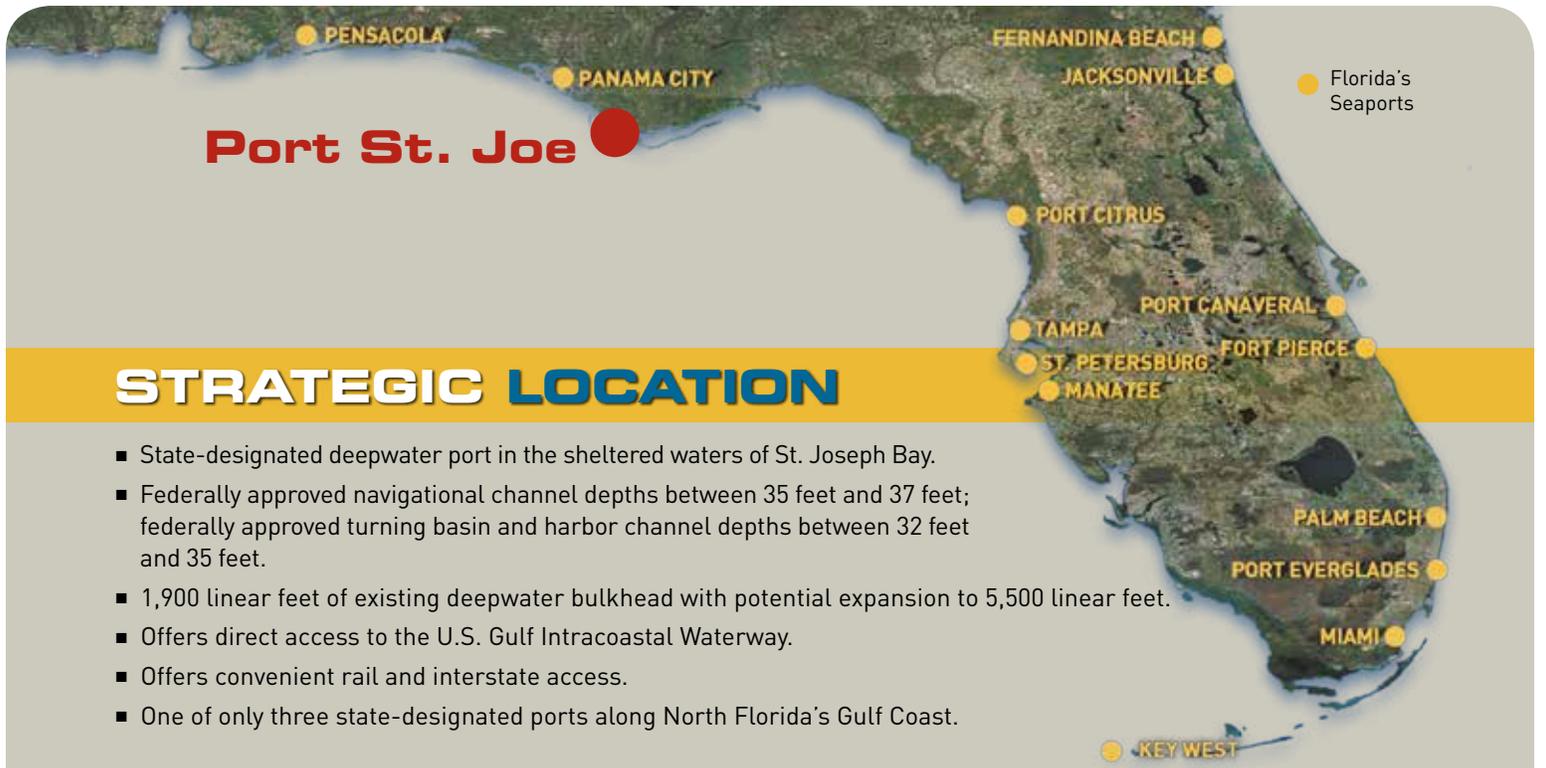


## Port St. Joe Gulf County, Florida

LATITUDE 29° 49'54.71" N

LONGITUDE 85° 18'43.08" W

With numerous assets, the Port of Port St. Joe is poised for development and expansion. It is one of 15 state-designated ports within the state of Florida and one of only three ports along North Florida's Gulf Coast. With the expansion of the Panama Canal and the inception of Post-Panamax shipping, some non-competitive freight handling operations currently at larger ports are expected to shift to smaller ports, especially to those that have shorter ship-to-market routes. With a direct route north from the Panama Canal, the Port of Port St. Joe is a perfect candidate.



# Port St. Joe

## STRATEGIC LOCATION

- State-designated deepwater port in the sheltered waters of St. Joseph Bay.
- Federally approved navigational channel depths between 35 feet and 37 feet; federally approved turning basin and harbor channel depths between 32 feet and 35 feet.
- 1,900 linear feet of existing deepwater bulkhead with potential expansion to 5,500 linear feet.
- Offers direct access to the U.S. Gulf Intracoastal Waterway.
- Offers convenient rail and interstate access.
- One of only three state-designated ports along North Florida's Gulf Coast.

## UNIQUE ASSETS

- The Port is adjacent to more than 5,000 acres of undeveloped land. This vast acreage offers a blank canvas for maritime-related and spin-off businesses not available at land-constrained ports elsewhere.
- The Port's canal site offers niche maritime opportunities for regional uses.
- As many Florida ports focus on containerized cargoes, the Port of Port St. Joe can service bulk cargoes and other commodities.
- With the expansion of the Panama Canal and inception of Post-Panamax shipping, some non-competitive freight handling operations at larger seaports are expected to shift to smaller ports, especially those locations with shorter ship-to-market routes.
- Opportunities exist to attract and stimulate new green industries.
- The Port and surrounding area are a state-designated Enterprise Zone. The 180 acres surrounding the bayfront bulkhead is designated as a Brownfield.
- Natural gas 50,000 MMGtu/d

## CONVENIENT ACCESS

### WATER

- The Port offers barge access to inland rivers and waterways system (U.S. Gulf Intracoastal Waterway, channel 12'x125').
- The Gulf County Canal connects the Gulf of Mexico with the U.S. Gulf Intracoastal Waterway, which traverses the Gulf Coast of the United States. This navigable inland waterway runs approximately 1,050 miles from Carrabelle, Fla., to Brownsville, Texas, and provides access via the inland river system to locations as diverse as Chicago, Pittsburgh, Memphis, Tulsa and other cities.

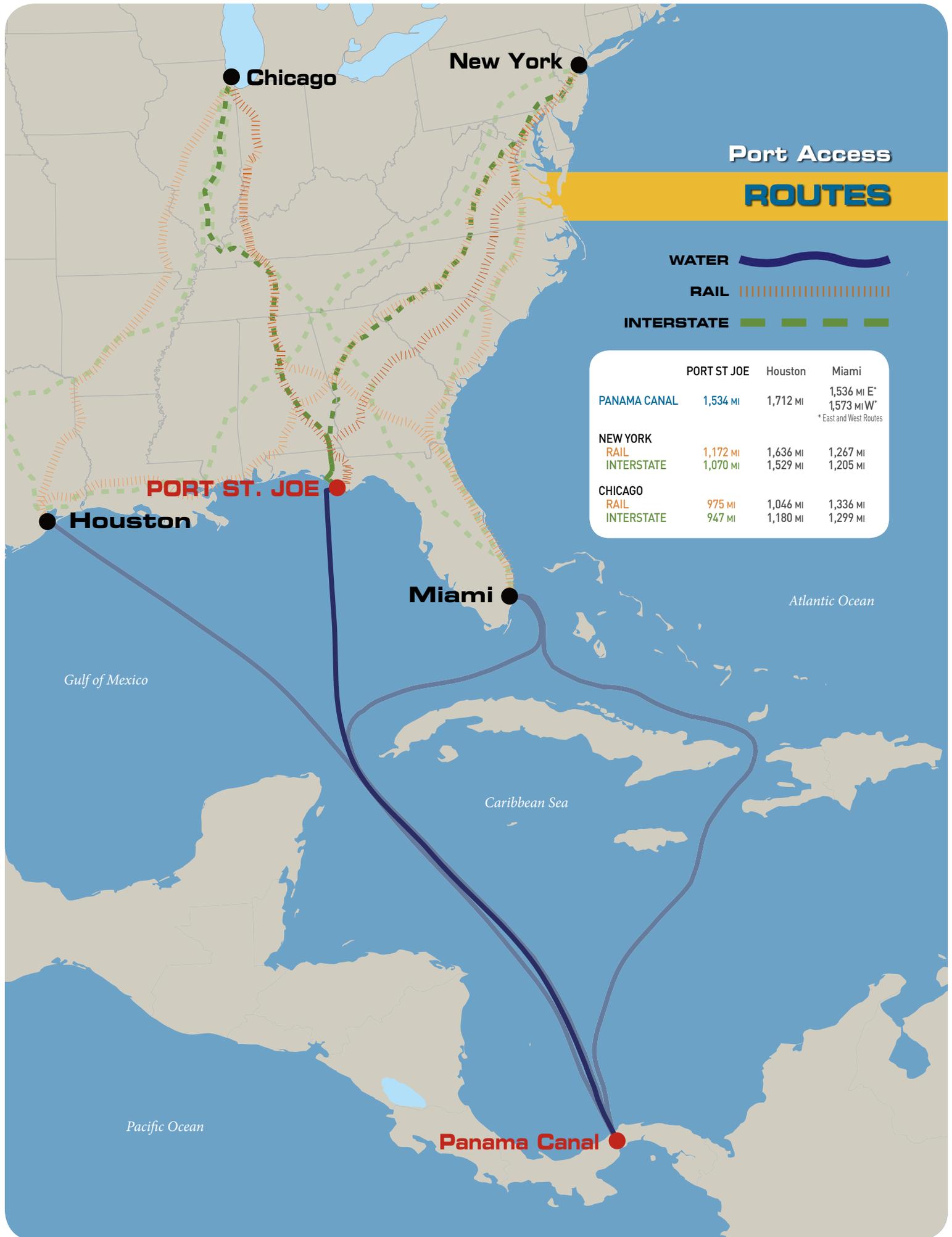
### RAIL

- AN Railway serves the Port and connects with the CSX Transportation Class I mainline.

### INTERSTATE AND AIR

- Direct access to I-10 via SR-71.
- Only 21 miles to Apalachicola Regional Airport via U.S. Highway 98.
- 57 miles to the Northwest Florida Beaches International Airport in Panama City Beach.

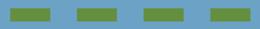




## Port Access ROUTES

**WATER** 

**RAIL** 

**INTERSTATE** 

	PORT ST JOE	Houston	Miami
<b>PANAMA CANAL</b>	1,534 MI	1,712 MI	1,536 MI E* 1,573 MI W*
<b>NEW YORK</b>			
RAIL	1,172 MI	1,636 MI	1,267 MI
INTERSTATE	1,070 MI	1,529 MI	1,205 MI
<b>CHICAGO</b>			
RAIL	975 MI	1,046 MI	1,336 MI
INTERSTATE	947 MI	1,180 MI	1,299 MI

\* East and West Routes

Atlantic Ocean

Gulf of Mexico

Caribbean Sea

Pacific Ocean

**Panama Canal**

# NAVIGATION & TRANSPORTATION



**Port St. Joe Harbor Channel Depths - Federally Approved**

Name of Channel	Width (Feet)	Length (Miles)	Depth MLLW* (Feet)
<b>PORT ST JOE HARBOR</b>			
Range A	500	3.7	37
Range B	400	1.7	37
Range C	400	1.4	37
Range D	300	2.8	35
Harbor Channel	250	0.4	35
Turning Basin	1000	0.4	32

Limiting channel depth at the time of the last survey in April 2013 was approximately 24 feet.

NOTE: For the latest information on channel conditions, visit:  
<http://navigation.sam.usace.army.mil/surveys/detail.asp?code=PJ>

\* Mean Lower Low Water

## LEGEND

 Dredged Navigation Channel

 Existing Rail Lines

 Roads

The Port has a navigational channel that is federally authorized to a maximum of 37 feet. The US Army Corps of Engineers have issued the Federal Permit for dredging, and the Port Authority and The St. Joe Company are working with elected officials to obtain funding to make dredging improvements to the authorized depth.

# OPPORTUNITIES



St. Joseph Bay

**LEGEND**

- St. Joe Owned Property
- Port Authority Property

## INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES:

In February 2012 The St. Joe Company and the Port St. Joe Port Authority executed a Memorandum of Understanding to partner and collaborate on port-related economic development initiatives. St. Joe, in conjunction with the Port St. Joe Port Authority, is open to a full range of public-private partnerships such as joint ventures, terminal operating leases and individual carrier or cargo-handling investments as well as the use of revenue bonds, equity funds, and other investment opportunities. Projects on the Port could be accelerated with private sector investments to match potential public sector grants. Some properties in the more than 5,000 acres of undeveloped lands in the Port environs are available for immediate port development.

# OPPORTUNITIES

Given the Port's location, assets, and more than 5,000 acres of undeveloped land, there are numerous business opportunities available:

## Potential Business Opportunities:

- Port Related Activities
- Storage, Warehousing, Distribution
- Assembly and Fabrication
- Light Industrial
- Recycling
- Shipyards and Related Industries
- Servicing of Gas and Oil Industries
- Energy and Alternative Energy Industries

## Potential Investment Opportunities and Deal Options:

- Ground Leases
- Operating Leases
- Joint Ventures
- Public-Private Partnerships
- Equity Participation
- Regulatory/Permitting Assistance

## Infrastructure:

- Water
- Sewer
- Electric
- Natural Gas
- State Highway
- Rail
- Bulkhead
- Navigational Channel

## Regulatory / Incentives:

- Industrial Zoning
- Enterprise Zone
- State-Designated Rural Area of Critical Economic Concern
- Brownfield
- Local Government Support



## RECENT SUCCESSSES

Florida Governor Rick Scott's priority is job creation, with special attention to achieving this by expanding Florida's ports. The St. Joe Company in alliance with the Port St. Joe Port Authority has been working to bring new business opportunities as well as securing funding for infrastructure improvements to the Port of Port St. Joe.

- The US Army Corps of Engineers issued the Federal Permit in February 2015 to dredge the shipping channel up to 37 feet.
- The AN Railway, L.L.C. is receiving \$5 million to rehabilitate about 40 miles of rail and 17 structures including a trestle over the Apalachicola River to accommodate freight trains to and from the Port.
- The St. Joe Company has signed a Letter of Intent (LOI) with Enova Energy Group, a full service, clean energy development company specializing in development and operations of contracted renewable based assets. Enova has expressed an interest in transporting a minimum of 1 million metric tons per year of wood pellets using the AN Railway to the Port of Port St. Joe for further shipment to overseas markets.
- The St. Joe Company has also signed a Letter of Intent with Green Circle Bio Energy, Inc., a producer of biomass based renewable energy. The LOI anticipates several potential new business development opportunities to create jobs in the Northwest Florida region. Green Circle is interested in leasing a site from St. Joe along the AN Railway to develop a wood pellet production facility. Green Circle operates the world's second largest wood pellet plant in Cottondale, Fla. The wood pellets produced at the new production facility can be transported via truck or AN Railway to the Port for further shipment overseas.

Both Letters of Intent are contingent upon the Port of Port St. Joe receiving funding to complete maintenance dredging of the shipping channel.

- Eastern Shipbuilding Group of Panama City, Fla., has leased 20 acres at the port site to expand its shipbuilding, vessel construction and repair and industrial steel fabrication operations in the Gulf-coast region.



The mission of the Port St. Joe Port Authority is to enhance the economic vitality and quality of life in the Gulf County and Port St. Joe area and the Northwest Florida region by fostering the growth of domestic and foreign commerce, thereby providing jobs and economic opportunity to the region and the state of Florida.

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The St. Joe Company is a Florida-based real estate developer and manager. The Company owns approximately 181,000 acres of land concentrated primarily in Northwest Florida and has significant residential and commercial land-use entitlements in hand or in process. The majority of land not under development is used for the growing and selling of timber or is available for sale. The Company also owns various commercial, resort and club properties.

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The vision of the Gulf County Economic Development Coalition is, in collaboration with its stakeholders, to create diverse, stable, and consistent employment opportunities that build wealth and provide better economic conditions for Gulf County.

Goals to achieve:

1. Attract and support the best-suited industries to Gulf County.
2. Lead the creation of a positive economic development environment in Gulf County.

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