



Greater Nogales
Santa Cruz County
PORT AUTHORITY

Nogales Border Crossing Update

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Who We Are

- Created in December 2004
 - Main purpose is to foster the economic growth of the region, to improve the POE's at Nogales and to enhance the quality of life for the residents of the region
- Nogales has four POE's:
 - Morley Avenue - Pedestrian
 - DeConcini ("Grand Ave.") – Pedestrian, train, buses and POV's
 - Nogales West ("Mariposa") – Commercial, POV's, Pedestrian, Buses
 - Nogales International Airport

Board of Directors

Members

- City of Nogales;
- Santa Cruz County;
- Fresh Produce Association of the Americas
- Maquila Association of Sonora;
- Nogales Alliance: Port of the Future;
- Nogales Community Development Corporation;
- Nogales Santa Cruz County Chamber of Commerce;
- Nogales U.S. Customs Brokers Association; and
- Santa Cruz Tourism Council.

Ex-Officio Members

- US Customs and Border Protection;
- US Border Patrol
- US General Services Administration;
- Arizona Department of Transportation;
- Consejo Empresarial de Nogales, Sonora;
- Municipality of Nogales, Sonora;
- Mexican Consulate General – Nogales, Arizona;
- Nogales Economic Development Foundation; and
- US Consulate – Nogales, Sonora.

Our Approach

Ultimate goal is to improve the quality of life for our residents

Not satisfied with Status Quo

Draw attention to our issues

Build consensus on our issues

Stay focused on priorities

Broad based community support

Advocacy with decision makers in Phoenix, Washington and Mexican counterparts

Sample Key Projects

Road Connectivity between Port of entry and I-19

- Considering new road and/or major improvements to Mariposa Road
- Design Concept Report (DCR) currently underway

Nogales Wash

- Mexican sewage is processed on the US side of the border
- Working with IBWC, State, City and County on major reconstruction of wash and sewage pipeline from Mexico
- Have had major spills – as many as 20 million gallons of raw sewage flowed through city streets

I-19 Border Patrol Inspection Station

- Part of TAC to provide local stakeholder input into design process
- Work to ensure flow of traffic on I-19 is not impeded

Sample Key Projects

Customs Staffing

- Need an additional 250 officers to “staff to need”
- Major expansion without guarantees that we will have the necessary staffing
- It takes some 12 to 14 months from the date of hiring to have officers deployed on the ground

Southbound Inspections

- Strong advocates for security but not at the cost of economic viability of our community
- Inspections conducted with impromptu facilities and are creating safety hazards for officers and for the traveling public
- Wait times exceeding 2 hours!

Image of the border

- Ongoing issue of perception over reality
- Working with Mayor and other stakeholders to educate of the opportunities at the border and significance to the state and nation

Success Story - Mariposa Reconfiguration

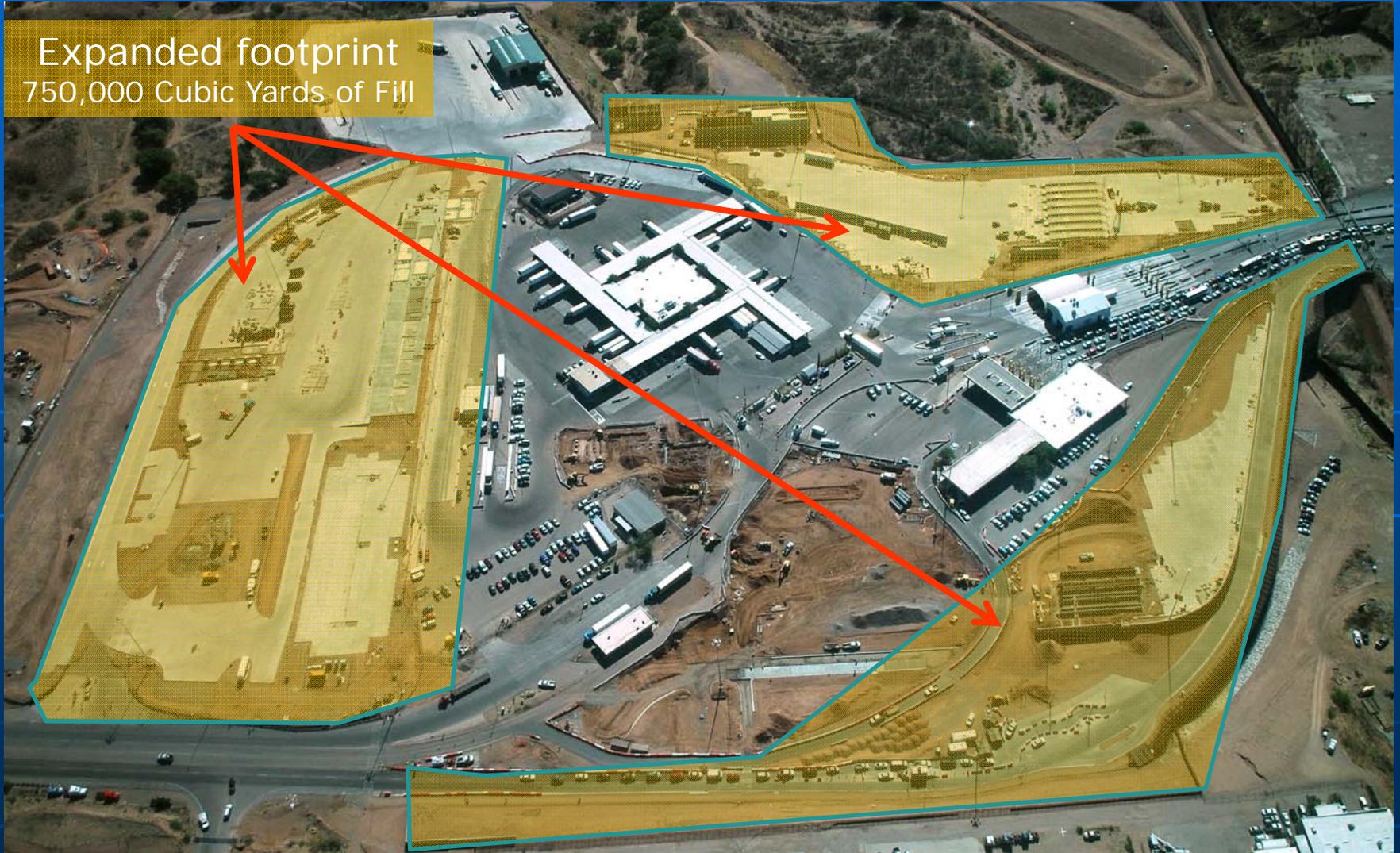
- Not designed for pedestrians
 - Processing close to 500,000 pedestrians/year
- Designed truck throughput: 400/day
 - **Daily average can exceed 1,600 trucks/day (Oct – May)**
 - **New Record January '11: close to 2,000 trucks in one day**
- Effective Inspection Docks: Approx. 20
 - No Refrigerated Dock space
- **Approx. 4 Billion Pounds of Fresh Produce each season**
 - Estimated value: \$2 billion
 - 43% of Fresh Winter produce in entire US!!
- Approximately **\$20 billion in Maquila Trade**
- Growing wait times to cross the border:
 - 2+ hour waits for cars at both DeConcini and Mariposa
 - 4 to 8 hour or overnight for trucks at Mariposa

Investment to date at Mariposa

- **\$13.694 Million included in FY '07 Federal Buildings Fund**
 - Jones Studio selected as design firm (Phoenix-based firm)
 - Final design approved in December '08
- **\$199.48 million for construction in FY '09 American Recovery Act**
 - Fully Funded!!
 - Project is a National Priority!
 - Environmental Assessment to be completed April '09
 - Anticipate start up of construction June/July '09
- **US Side Entry and Egress (\$4.3 million)**
 - Entry and egress to and from the port of entry, and lane to allow for trucks to ramp up to traveling speed on Mariposa Road

Project Status

Expanded footprint
750,000 Cubic Yards of Fill



Groundbreaking!!



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Capacity for Inspections

- During construction
 - Our main concern is to ensure that flow of goods and people is not impeded during entire 48 months of construction for the project.
 - CBP will provide full details in their presentation!
- **At full Buildout**
 - **12 lanes for cars**
 - **8 lanes for trucks**
 - **Pedestrian lanes (NB and SB)**
 - **Bus lane**
 - **56 docks (6 air conditioned)**
 - **4 NII for cargo**
 - **3 SB lanes with 6 SB Cargo docks**

Thank you for your support!

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