# ALEXANDER-CAIRO PORT DISTRICT

The Alexander-Cairo Port
District is located in Southern
Illinois, at the confluence of the
Mississippi and Ohio rivers. The Port
District's boundaries consist all of
Alexander County.



## Port District Biography

Being located at the confluence of the Mississippi and Ohio rivers, the Alexander-Cairo Port District was created in 2010 with the goal of attracting the marine industry to Alexander county. The Alexander-Cairo Port District currently does not own or operate a public port. However, the Port District has been working with the City of Cairo and the Cairo Public Utility Company to establish a public port on the western side of Cairo. The City of Cairo owns approximately 190 acres of land at the location.



Alexander-Cairo Port
District was created

City of Cairo and the Cairo
Public Utility Company publish
a conceptual site design and
scoping study for a public
port terminal in Cairo.

Illinois Legislature approves \$40 million toward planning, design and construction of a new port terminal

### **Multimodal Connections**



Several interstates, state routes, and US highways traverse the port district, these include I-57, I-55, IL-3, IL-127, IL-146, US 51, and US 60.



Two Class I railroads provide service and own track within the port district these include Union Pacific (UP) and Canadian National (CN). In addition, Norfolk Southern (NS) and Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNFS) have an agreement with Canadian National to utilize their track.



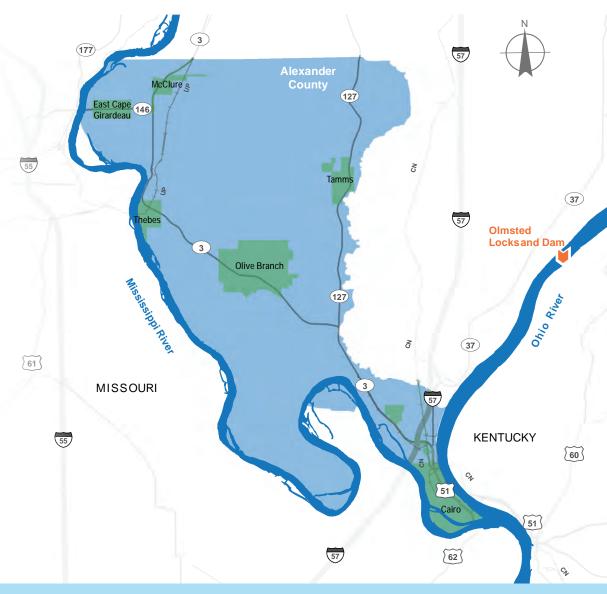
The Mississippi River flows 60 miles along the western border of the district. This portion of the river is is part Marine Highway 55. The Ohio River flows 6.5 miles along the eastern border of the district, this portion of the river is designated as Marine Highway 70.



Cairo Regional Airport - CIR (Cairo, IL)



Olmsted Locks and Dam - Located near the district



2017 Commodities by County (inbound, outbound, in-state):

## Port District Top Commodities:

FOOD





ALEXANDER COUNTY
476 THOUSAND TONS

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## List of Terminals (Public and Private)

- 1 American Commercial Barge Line, Cairo Fleet
- 2 Bunge Corp
- 3 Waterfront Services Co. Cairo, Illinois
- 4 Waterfront Services Co. Cairo Dock



## **Economic Impact**

It is estimated that marine cargo activity being handled within the Alexander-Cairo Port District directly or indirectly supports 456 jobs within the state. These workers earn an estimated \$29.1 million in wages and contribute approximately \$47.5 million towards State GDP. The activity enabled comes from shippers across the state making use of facilities within the district, as well as the services supporting their goods movement. The following table breaks out the impact by the type of activity occurring.

	PORT USER	MARINE INDUSTRY	MARINE SUPPORTING
Employment	256	130	70
Income	\$ <b>15.3</b> M	\$ <b>8.2</b> M	\$ <b>5.6</b> M
Value Added	\$ <b>27.6</b> M	\$ <b>11.9</b> M	\$ <b>8.0</b> M
Output	\$ <b>59.9</b> M	\$ <b>26.8</b> M	\$ <b>13.6</b> M





## **CAPITAL NEEDS**

The Port District is in the process of developing a new port on the western side of Cairo along the Mississippi River. A total of 190 acres of land that will be transformed into a state of the art port which will handle grain, coal, and liquid products.

Estimated Total Cost: \$75 Million