

## Port of Oswego East Terminal Intermodal Connector Project

### \$4.3 million investment



The Port of Oswego began its largest construction expansion project in 2013 with the East Terminal Intermodal Connector Project. Funding comes from a \$1.5 million TIGER Grant and \$1.75 million from the New York State Department of Transportation Assistance Program. When complete in late Fall 2014, the project will nearly double the Port footprint and create nearly 100 skilled construction jobs for the local community.

The project consists of three components:

1. Construction of a combined connector roadway and the rehabilitation and embedding of 1800 feet of the existing railroad track along the shore of Lake Ontario at the mouth of the Oswego River and the Port's existing Eastern Harbor Facility.
2. Construction of two new ballast sidetracks (3,000 trackfeet).
3. Rehabilitation of 1,500 feet of ballast track on the Port's main east dock to accommodate increased rail traffic and to allow for heavy lift projects from ships to have direct access to the CSX rail lines.

The new roadway will connect the main East Terminal to a six acre secure, open-storage area to accommodate increased traffic and new commodities. The project supports expansion of the Port in the agrimarket sector as well as the renewable energy market, in addition to supporting the increased use of Port facilities by a long-term Port user. The project will enable the use of intermodal trains and connectivity with Central NY and Port Newark Marine Terminals. Additionally, the improvements to the road system will reduce the number of truck trips by nearly 7,000 in the first five years, and reduce CO2 emissions by almost 340,000 lbs.

### About the Port of Oswego

The Port is the first U.S. port of call and the only deep draft port on the U.S. side of Lake Ontario. Its strategic location puts it less than 350 miles from 60 million people. A multi-modal operation, the Port of Oswego handles aluminum, grains, salt, fertilizer, petroleum products, cement and windmill and nuclear power plant components. Trade through the Port, as well as the employment it generates in the region, creates over \$1 billion in local economic activity. [www.portoswego.com](http://www.portoswego.com).