



Otay Mesa Land Port of Entry (San Diego, CA)

Fact Sheet: Reconfiguration and Modernization of the Existing Port of Entry
September 2009

Goals of the Project

The Otay Mesa Land Port of Entry (OTM LPOE) is a multi-modal (commercial, non-commercial, and pedestrian) port. The Port handles an average of 16,440 POVs; 2,044 trucks; 114 buses and 3,741 pedestrian inspections daily. The Port is one of the ten busiest land ports in the country and is the busiest commercial port on the California/Baja California border, handling the second highest volume of trucks, and third highest dollar volume of trade among all U.S./Mexico land ports.

Regional Needs

As the only commercial port of entry in the San Diego Region, Otay Mesa is a major driver to the Southern California and Baja economies. Due to inadequate staging and circulation, the commercial port is unable to keep pace with the local commercial needs. POV processing at the port is also hampered by lack of appropriate inspection facilities.

Project Scope

The proposed project will reconfigure the existing port through the purchase of adjacent property. The project will add primary and secondary POV inspection booths to the passenger side. On the commercial side, the project will add primary inspection, empty-truck inspection, and exit booths, and also relocate the hazardous-materials import inspection area from the export compound to the commercial import compound.

Project Status

The Environmental Study kicked-off in May 2009. Design of the project is in progress.

Environmental Studies

GSA held a scoping meeting on July 7, 2009. Additional public meetings are planned but currently TBD.

Funding

GSA has received \$21.3M for the purchase of the site and design services for the project through the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act (ARRA).

Schedule

Feasibility Study	Completed Spring '08
Program Development Study	Completed Summer '09
Site / Design Acquisition	Completed August '09
Design Phase	Est. Compl. March '11
Construction Funding	TBD

Partners

U.S. General Services Administration (GSA), U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) California Department of Transportation (CALTRANS), the City of San Diego.

Community Stakeholders

San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG), Otay Mesa Chamber of Commerce, County of San Diego.

