

# LITTLE ROCK PORT AUTHORITY



The Little Rock Port Authority (LRPA) was organized in 1959 to oversee the Port of Little Rock and provide intermodal transportation services connecting U.S. markets and the deep water ports of the Gulf of Mexico.



Opened in 1971, the Port is part of the McClellan-Kerr Arkansas River Navigation System, our nation's farthest west inland waterway, which runs from the Mississippi River northwest to just east of Tulsa, OK.

Arkansas is one of only 24 states to have the unique resource of inland waterways and ranks third in the number of navigable waterway miles.

The 448-mile system includes 18 locks, shipping 12 million tons annually with a cargo value of \$3.9 billion.

Shallow-draft water barge transportation is the most energy efficient and safest method for moving bulk raw materials. The number of miles one ton can be carried per gallon of fuel by inland barge is 514 vs. rail at 202 and truck at 59.

## The Port of Little Rock

- More than 40 active businesses representing over 3,500 jobs
- 2,600-acre industrial park with ample levee-protected acreage available
- Two full-service river terminals including a river port and a slackwater harbor
- The Union Pacific Railroad and the BNSF serve the Port of Little Rock's switching railroad, handling over 8,000 cars yearly
- Quick connections to I-40 and I-30 are located within five miles of the Port
- Caters to world-wide markets with Foreign Trade Zone #14
- Eligible new and expanding businesses are offered competitive incentive packages
- Arkansas Freeport Law exempts inventory tax on raw materials, goods in progress, and finished goods bound for out-of-state shipment
- Port promotes sustainability practices

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