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**HEAVY LIFT  
CORRIDOR**

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# HISTORY

**CREATED IN 2013**

BY STATE LEGISLATURE

IN PARTNER WITH



# BENEFITS

- ✓ **ENHANCED SAFETY FOR CITIZENS DUE TO MINIMIZED TRUCK VOLUMES ON ROADWAYS**
- ✓ **TOTAL TRUCK VOLUMES REDUCED BY 20-40%**
- ✓ **EMISSIONS LOWERED BY 20-40% DEPENDING ON COMMODITY**
- ✓ **FEES COLLECTED AID IN HWY MAINTENANCE SAVING TAX PAYERS \$**
- ✓ **MANUFACTURER LOGISTICS SAVINGS MAKES BRAZORIA COUNTY LOGISTICS ATTRACTIVE LONG TERM INVESTMENT OPTION**
- ✓ **CREATES AND RETAINS JOBS**
- ✓ **DPS ACCESS TO REAL TIME MONITORING SYSTEM ENSURES COMPLIANCE WITH STATE LAW**

### NO ACTIVE HEAVY LIFT CORRIDOR



240,000 pounds of cargo = 5 Trucks  
Maximum 80,000 pounds per truck  
(truck weight + cargo weight)

### ACTIVATED HEAVY LIFT CORRIDOR



240,000 pounds of cargo = 4 Trucks  
Maximum 125,000 pounds per truck\*  
(truck weight + cargo weight)

\*Does not apply to container freight

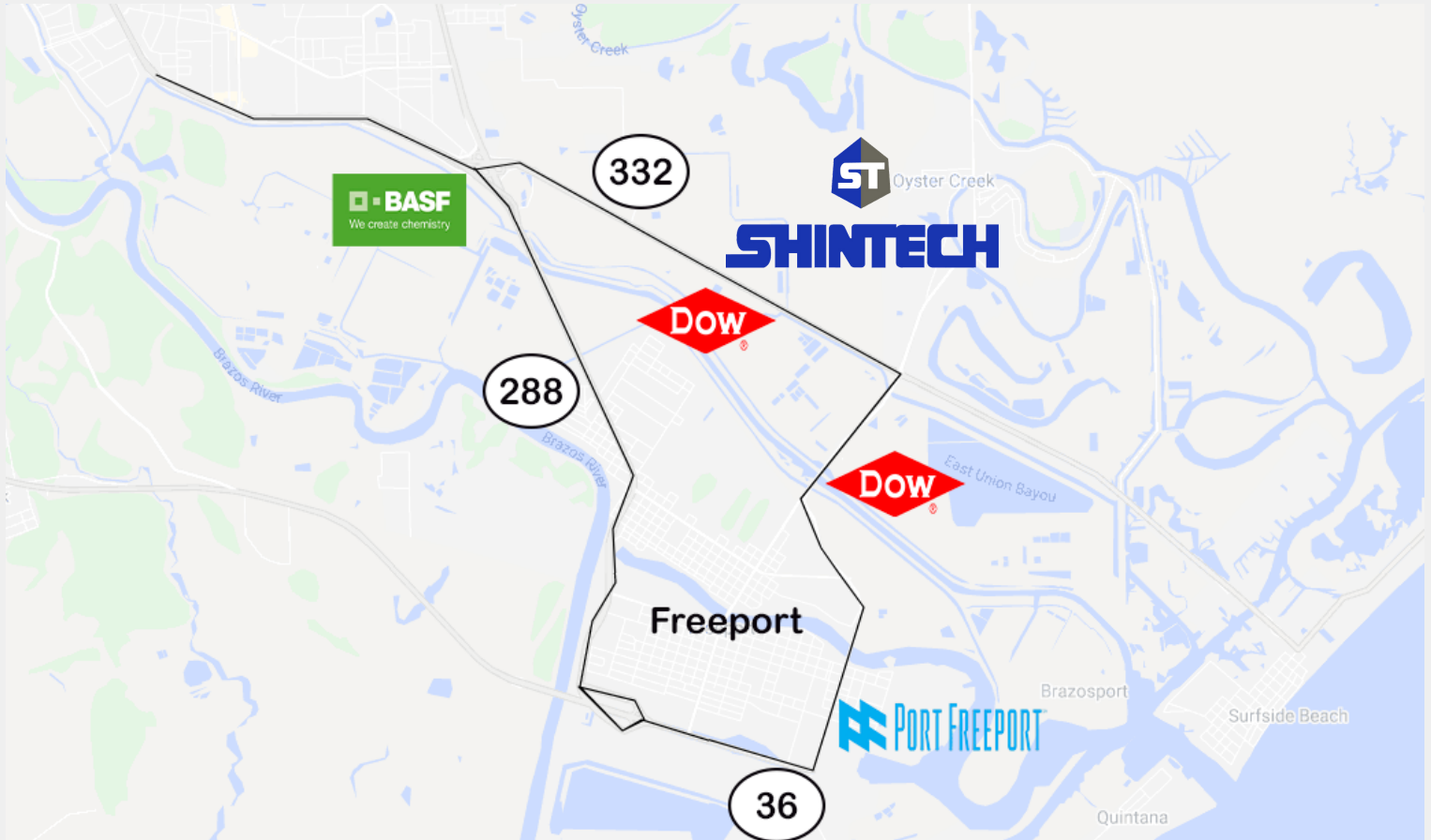
The same amount of cargo moving, but **1 LESS TRUCK** on the road with a Heavy Lift Corridor

**1 LESS TRUCK PER 4 TRUCKS EQUALS 20% LESS TRUCKS ON A HEAVY LIFT CORRIDOR**

# RULES & REGULATIONS

- PERMITS VALID FOR 24 HRS AND ARE NOT REUSABLE
- CLIENTS RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY ADDITIONAL MAINTENANCE COST, TICKETS OR FINES RELATED TO THEIR USE OF ROUTES
- A CERTIFIED WEIGHT TICKET IS REQUIRED BY TXDOT
- MAXIMUM TOTAL WEIGHT FOR HLC 125,000 GROSS POUNDS\*  
\*DOES NOT APPLY TO CONTAINER FREIGHT
- PORT FREEPORT HEAVY LIFT CORRIDOR DOES NOT REQUIRE SPECIALIZED EQUIPMENT FOR CONTAINER LOAD. NOT TO EXCEED MAX NET WEIGHT SHOWN ON EACH CONTAINER
- PORT FREEPORT DOES NOT PERMIT LARGE OR HIGH HEAVY CARGO REQUIRING ENGINEERING AND ROUTE PLANNING. PLEASE CONTACT TXDOT'S HEAVY LIFT PERMIT DIVISION FOR FURTHER ASSISTANCE.

# EXISTING ROUTE #1



## DIRECTIONS

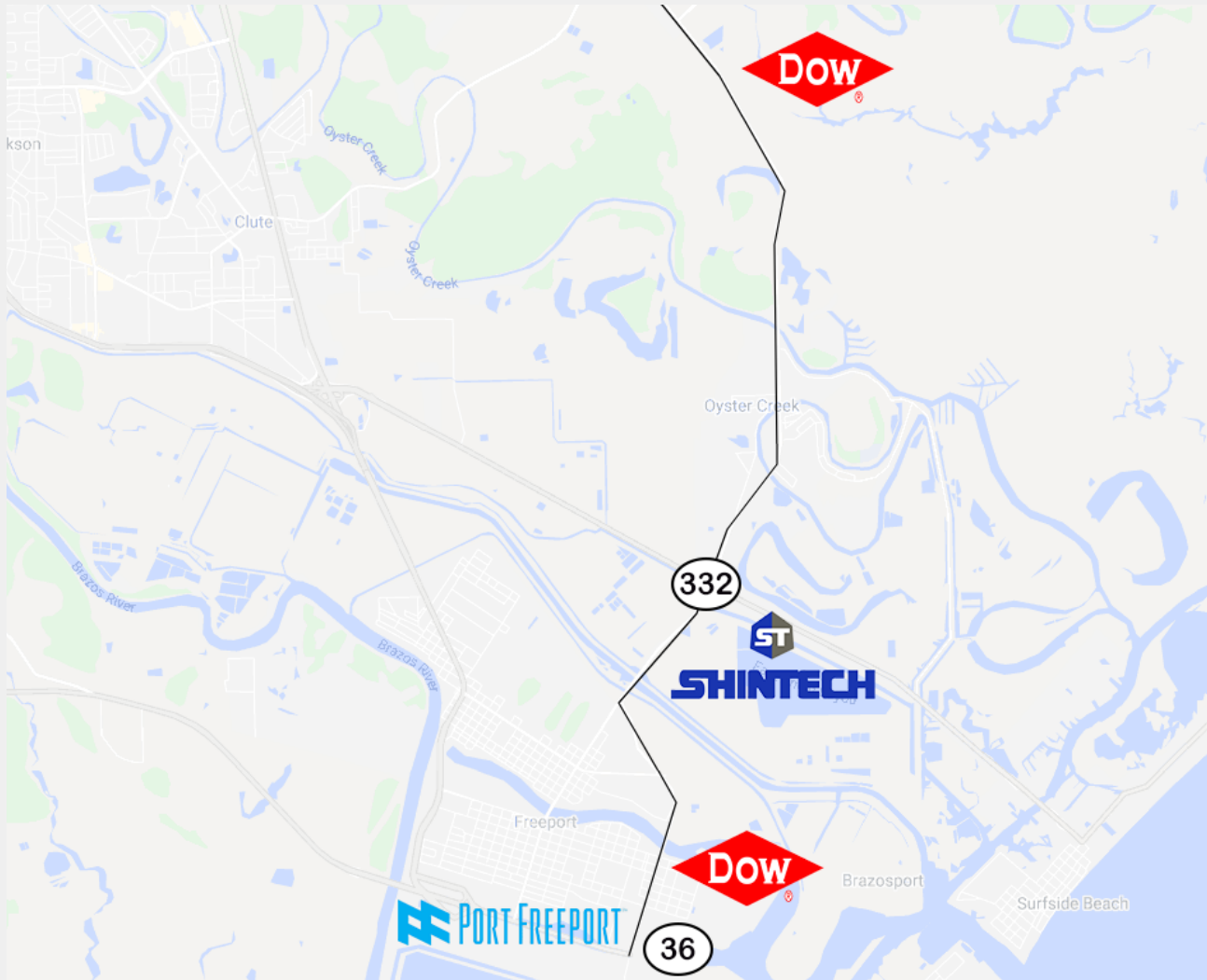
### FROM DOW PLANT A & B, BASF

- ▶ TAKE SH288 THROUGH THE CITY OF FREEPORT, TX.
- ▶ FOLLOW SH288 UNDER HWY 36 AND CONTINUE EAST
- ▶ MERGE ONTO HWY 36 TO THE INTERSECTION OF 288 & CR 1495
- ▶ MAKE A LEFT ONTO CR 1495 STAYING IN THE RIGHT LANE
- ▶ CROSS OVER THE RR TRACKS & TURN RIGHT INTO PORT FREEPORT GATE

### TO BYPASS THE CITY OF FREEPORT

- ▶ CONTINUE ON SH288 UNTIL YOU REACH CR 523
- ▶ FOLLOW 523 AROUND & OVER THE BRIDGE
- ▶ TURN LEFT INTO PORT FREEPORT GATE

# ROUTE #2



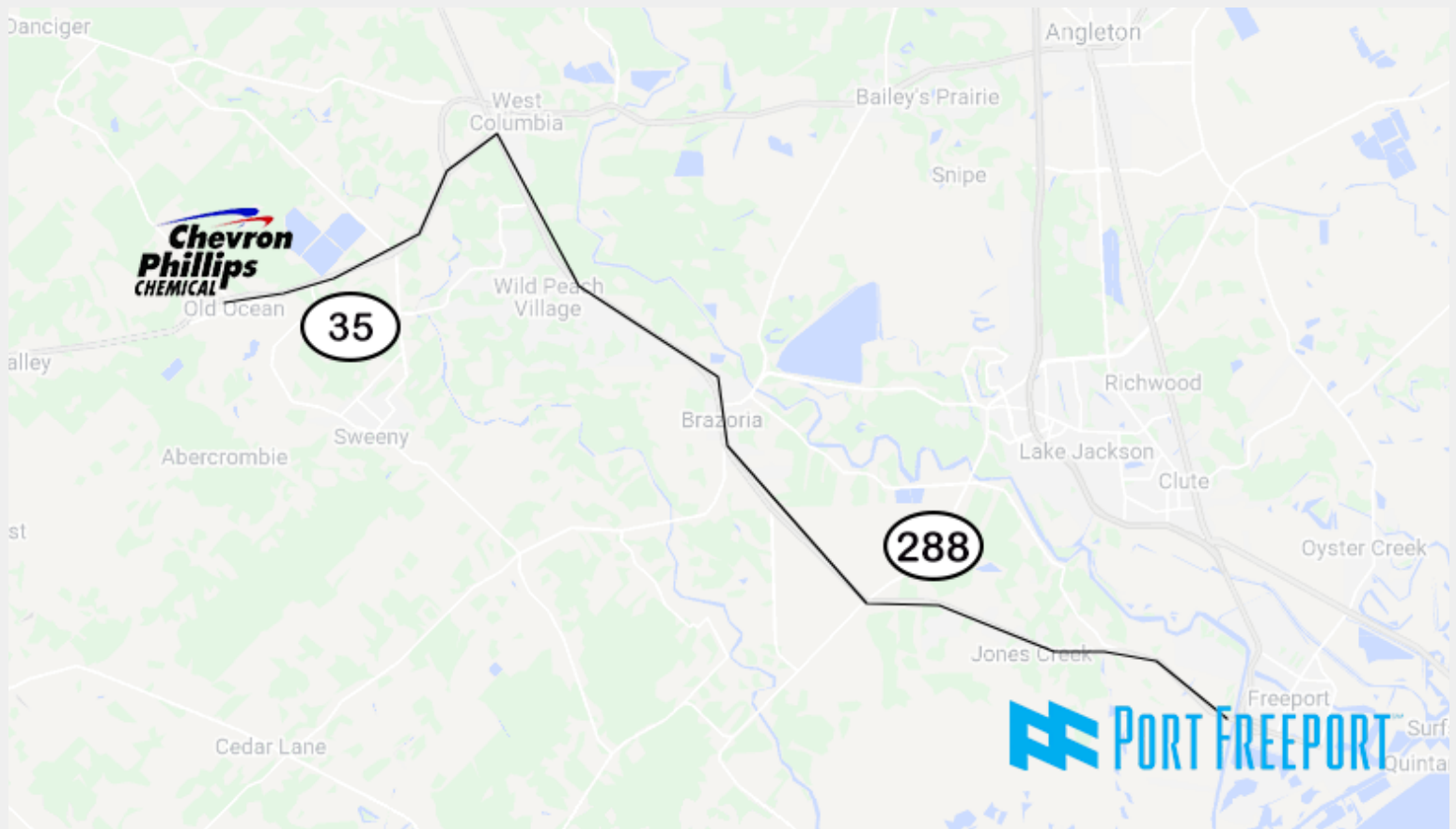
## DIRECTIONS

**FROM DOW OYSTER CREEK, PLANT A & SHINTECH**

- ▶ FROM OYSTER CREEK TAKE SH523 TO SH288
- ▶ CONTINUE SOUTH ON 523 AROUND AND OVER THE BRIDGE
- ▶ TURN LEFT INTO PORT FREEPORT GATE



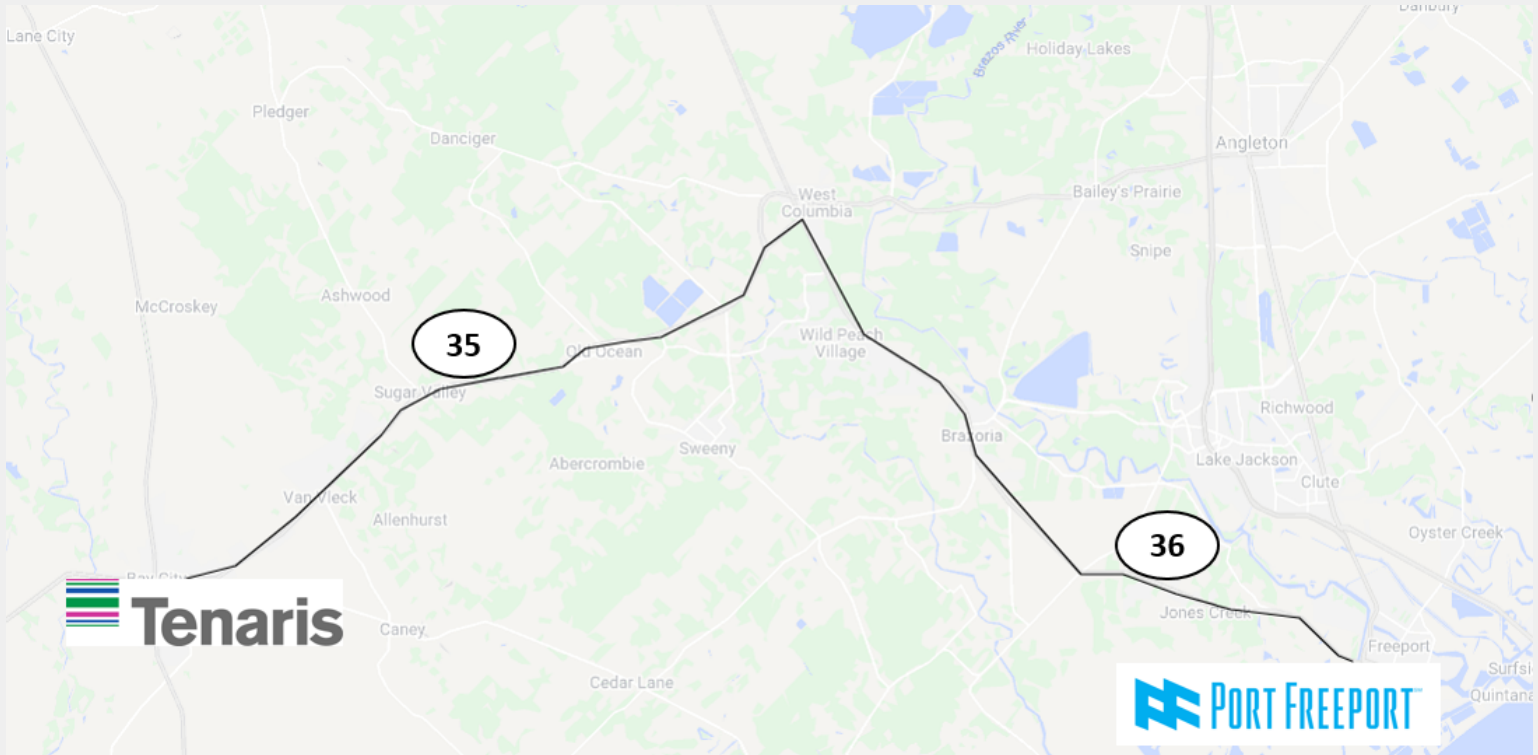
# ROUTE #3



## DIRECTIONS

- ▶ FROM CP CHEM TURN RIGHT ONTO SH35
- ▶ CONTINUE ON SH35 AND TURN RIGHT ONTO SH36
- ▶ CONTINUE TO SH523 AND TURN LEFT
- ▶ CONTINUE PASSED THE RR TRACKS AND TURN RIGHT INTO PORT FREEPORT GATE

# ROUTE #4



## DIRECTIONS

- ▶ FROM TENARIS TURN RIGHT ONTO SH35
- ▶ CONTINUE ON SH35 AND TURN RIGHT ON SH36
- ▶ CONTINUE ON SH36 AND TURN LEFT ON SH523
- ▶ CONTINUE PASSED THE RR TRACKS AND TURN RIGHT INTO PORT FREEPORT GATE

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## WHAT TYPE OF PERMIT IS RIGHT FOR YOU?

VIEW ALL AVAILABLE PERMITS TO DETERMINE THE BEST OPTION FOR YOUR BUSINESS HERE:



[HTTPS://WWW.TXDMV.GOV/MOTOR-CARRIERS/OVERSIZ-  
OVERWEIGHT-PERMITS/TETXAS-SIZE-WEIGHT-LIMITS](https://www.txdmv.gov/motor-carriers/oversize-overweight-permits/texas-size-weight-limits)

## WHAT IS PROMILES & HOW DO I USE IT?

FOLLOW THE LINK TO THE TUTORIAL GUIDE HERE:



[HTTPS://WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/RESULTS?  
SEARCH\\_QUERY=PROMILES+TUTORIALS](https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=promiles+tutorials)

## HOW DO I CREATE AN ACCOUNT?

[HTTPS://TEXAS.PROMILES.COM/PORTFREEPORT/](https://texas.promiles.com/portfreeport/)



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PORT FREEPORT NAVIGATION DISTRICT PERMITS

RULE §28.62

District's Powers and Duties

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(a) District authorized to issue permits. The district may issue a permit and collect a fee for the movement within the territory of the district on the roads designated by Transportation Code, §623.219(b) of a vehicle or vehicle combination that exceeds the vehicle size or weight limits specified by Transportation Code, Chapter 621, Subchapters B and C, but does not exceed loaded dimensions of 12 feet wide, 16 feet high, and 110 feet long, and does not exceed 125,000 pounds gross weight.

(b) Surety bond. The department may require the district to post a surety bond in the amount of \$500,000 for the reimbursement of the department for actual maintenance costs of roads designated by Transportation Code, §623.219(b) if revenue collected from permits issued under this subchapter is insufficient to pay for those costs and the district fails to reimburse the department for those costs.

(c) Verification of permits. The district shall provide law enforcement and department personnel access to any of the district's property to verify compliance with this subchapter by the district or another person.

(d) Training. The district shall provide or obtain any training necessary for personnel to issue permits under this subchapter. The department may provide assistance with training on request by the district.

(e) Accounting. The department shall develop accounting procedures related to permits issued under this subchapter with which the district must comply for revenue collections and any payment made to the department under subsection (i) of this section.

(f) Audits. The department may conduct audits annually or at the direction of the executive director of all permit issuance activities of the district. To insure compliance with applicable law, audits at a minimum will include a review of all permits issued, financial transaction records related to permit issuance and vehicle scale weight tickets, and the monitoring of personnel issuing permits under this subchapter.

(g) Revocation of authority to issue permits. If the department determines as a result of an audit that the district is not complying with this subchapter or other applicable law, the executive director will issue a notice to the district allowing 30 days for the district to correct any non-compliance issue. If the department determines that, after that 30-day period, the district has not corrected the issue, the executive director may revoke the district's authority to issue permits under this subchapter. The district may appeal to the commission in writing the revocation of its authority under this subsection. If the district appeals the revocation, the district's authority to issue permits under this subchapter remains in effect until the commission makes a final decision on the appeal.

(h) Fees. Fees under this subchapter may be collected, deposited, and used only as provided by Transportation Code, §623.214. The district may determine acceptable methods of payment. All fees transmitted to the department must be in U.S. currency. On revocation of the district's

authority to issue permits, termination of the maintenance contract entered into under subsection (i) of this section, or expiration of this subchapter, the district shall pay to the department all permit fees collected by the district, less allowable administrative costs.

(i) Maintenance contract. The district shall enter into a contract with the department for the maintenance of roads designated by Transportation Code, §623.219(b) for which a permit may be issued under this subchapter. The contract will cover routine maintenance, preventive maintenance, and total reconstruction of the roadway and bridge structures, as determined by the department to maintain the current level of service, and may include other types of maintenance.

(j) Reporting. The district shall provide monthly and annual reports to the department's Finance Division regarding all permits issued and all fees collected during the period covered by the report. The report must be in a format approved by the department.

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PORT FREEPORT NAVIGATION DISTRICT PERMITS

RULE §28.64

Permit Issuance Requirements and Procedures

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(a) Permit application. Application for a permit issued under this subchapter must be in a form approved by the department and at a minimum must include:

- (1) the name of the applicant;
- (2) the name of the driver of the vehicle in which the cargo is to be transported;
- (3) a description of the kind of cargo to be transported;
- (4) the kind and weight of each commodity to be transported;
- (5) the maximum weight and dimensions of the proposed vehicle combination, including number of tires on each axle, tire size for each axle, distance between each axle measured from center of axle to center of axle, and the specific weight of each individual axle when loaded;
- (6) the location where the cargo will be loaded; and
- (7) the date or dates on which movement is requested.

(b) Permit form and contents. A permit issued under this subchapter must be in a form approved by the department and at a minimum must include all information required under Transportation Code, §623.215(a) and §623.216.



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RULE §28.65	Permit Weight Limits for Axles

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(a) Minimum axle group spacing. For an axle group to be permitted for maximum weight authorized under this section:

(1) an axle group must have a minimum spacing of four feet, measured from center of axle to center of axle, between each axle in the group; and

(2) two or more consecutive axle groups must have a minimum axle spacing of 12 feet, measured from center of the last axle of a group to center of the first axle of the immediately following group.

(b) Maximum permit weight. Maximum permit weight for an axle or axle group is the weight computed by multiplying 650 pounds times the total number of inches of the width of tires on the axle or group or the following applicable axle or axle group weight, whichever is less:

- (1) single axle - 25,000 pounds;
- (2) two-axle group - 46,000 pounds;
- (3) three-axle group - 60,000 pounds;
- (4) four-axle group - 70,000 pounds;
- (5) five-axle group - 81,400 pounds; or

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(a) Carrying of permit. The original permit issued by the district must be carried in the permitted vehicle.

(b) Prohibition on movement with void permit. A permittee is prohibited from transporting an oversize or overweight load with a void permit. A permit is void if the applicant gives false or incorrect information. A permit becomes void when the permittee fails to comply with the restrictions or conditions stated in the permit or when the permittee changes or alters the information in the permit.

(c) Weather conditions or road work. Movement of a permitted vehicle is prohibited when:

- (1) visibility is reduced to less than 2/10 of one mile;
  - (2) the road surface is hazardous due to weather conditions, such as rain, ice, sleet, or snow; or
  - (3) highway maintenance or construction work is being performed.
- (d) Daylight and night movement restrictions. An oversize permitted vehicle may be moved only during daylight hours. A permitted vehicle that is overweight but not oversize may be moved at any time.
- (e) Weight ticket requirement. Any vehicle issued a permit by the district must be weighed on scales that are capable of determining gross vehicle weights and individual axle loads and are certified by the Texas Department of Agriculture or accepted by the United Mexican States.
- (f) Speed. The maximum speed for a permitted vehicle is set by Transportation Code, §623.217.