



## News Release

### **Fighting Pirates, Feeding Crews and More in Latest 'Pulse'** **New episode of award-winning video series now playing**

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From loading and unloading ships to driving trucks to patrolling our shoreline, it takes many different jobs to keep cargo moving efficiently and safely through the Port of Long

Beach. The latest installment of our award-winning "Pulse of the Port" video series takes a look at some behind-the-scenes (and under-the-streets) work that often goes unnoticed.

We begin with a look at U.S. Customs and Border Protection's inspection and contraband warehouse, where selected containers are opened and the goods inside carefully checked. Counterfeit and pirated merchandise is a multibillion-dollar industry, and one of Customs' roles is to protect U.S. consumers from fake or dangerous products. [Click here.](#)

From there we travel to Pacific Harbor Line's switching station. PHL is responsible for all the rail traffic inside the Port. From the Port, cargo travels by rail up the Alameda Corridor, which opened 10 years ago and keeps hundreds of trucks off Southland freeways each day. [Click here.](#)

They say an army marches on its stomach, and that's true of the maritime industry as well. We visit ship chandler Harbor Ship Supply, which keeps vessels at the Port of Long Beach stocked with an international variety of food, hardware, cleaning material, paper products and more. From there we take a look at another essential:

preparing for an emergency or natural disaster. The Port recently held a drill simulating a major earthquake as part of its plans to resume business following a major incident. [Click here.](#)

And finally, another of the Port's jobs is connecting with the community, supporting local events and letting residents know about the Port's environmental and business initiatives. One of the many events the Port sponsors and participates in is the annual Veterans Day Parade in North Long Beach. [Click here.](#)

For the whole Pulse of the Port lineup, [click here](#) or watch the program in its entirety on Long Beach Television Channel 3 Mondays at 7:30 p.m. and 11 p.m., Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m., Fridays at 7 p.m., Saturdays at 7:30 p.m., and Sundays at noon. Verizon subscribers can catch the program on Channel 21.

You can find the Pulse of the Port video archive at [www.polb.com/pulse](http://www.polb.com/pulse).

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