



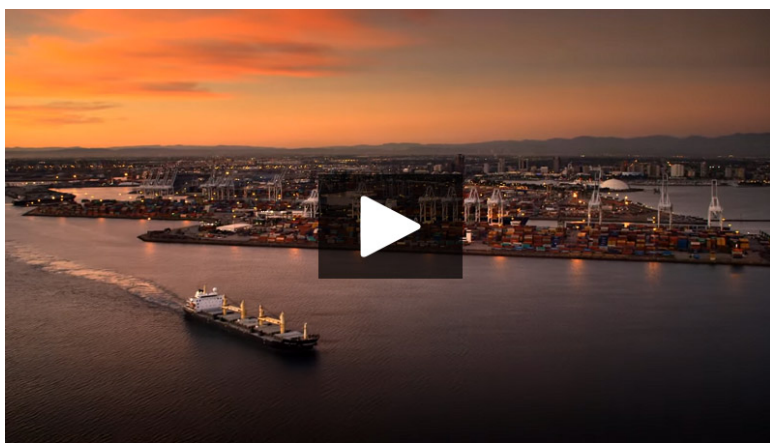
## Looking forward to 2016

Big things are happening at the Port of Long Beach! This year we will see operations start at the world's most technologically advanced and greenest terminal, more visible construction rising up for the Gerald Desmond Bridge Replacement Project and the introduction of new technologies and practices to further enhance air quality and the environment.

You can hear all about it on Thursday, Jan. 21 at 8 a.m. at the annual State of the Port address, featuring a multimedia look at the past year and the bold future ahead. You can RSVP for this free event [here](#).

If you cannot attend, the event will be webcast live at [www.polb.com/stateoftheport](http://www.polb.com/stateoftheport).

Check out this spectacular [aerial view](#) of the Port and city of Long Beach made for last year's State of the Port address.

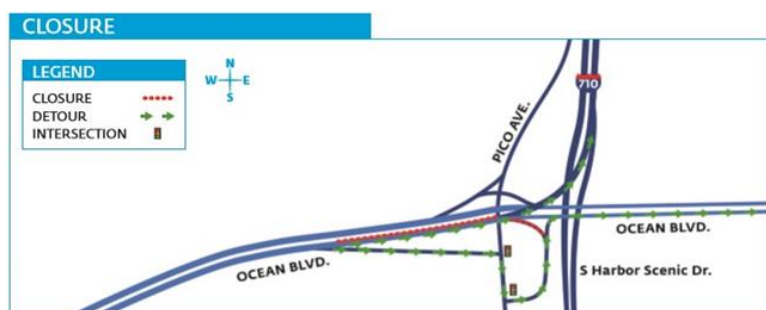


## Scholarship Reminder



The Port is now accepting scholarship applications from high school seniors in the Long Beach Unified School District's service area interested in pursuing a career in the maritime industry. The deadline is Friday, Jan. 15, so don't delay. For more information and criteria, visit our [POLB Academy website](#).

## Long-Term Eastbound Ocean Boulevard Closure



A section of eastbound Ocean Boulevard between the Gerald Desmond Bridge and downtown Long Beach will be closed beginning Tuesday, Jan. 19 for up to 36 months as crews construct the new bridge. For more information, visit the project website at [newgdbridge.com](http://newgdbridge.com).

## Holiday Events Photo Recap



The holidays are over, but you can relive the festive season with photos from the [Belmont Shore Christmas Parade](#), [Daisy Avenue Christmas Tree Lane Parade](#) and [Winter in Willmore](#), all Port sponsored events. Tag any pictures you spot yourself in if you were at any of the events!

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## Upcoming Events

The Port of Long Beach is proud to sponsor these community events! Click on the event for more information.

### Saturday, Jan. 16 28th Annual Long Beach Martin Luther King Jr. Peace and Unity Parade Celebration

10:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
Martin Luther King Jr. Ave.  
between Anaheim St.  
and Martin Luther King Jr.  
Park  
Long Beach, CA 90813

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