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Charleston District

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Project Fact Sheet
Port Royal Disposition Study, SC
Port Royal, SC
P2#: 500335

Congressional District(s): Nancy Mace (SC-01)

Appropriation: Investigations

Business Line: Navigation (NAV)

AUTHORITY

Section 216 of Flood Control Act of 1970 (Review of Completed Works)

LOCATION

Port Royal Island is located south of Beaufort Island and north of Parris Island, about five miles north of Hilton Head, SC.

DESCRIPTION

Authorized in 1954, the Port Royal Harbor Navigation Project provided a 27-foot-deep channel at mean low water, 500 feet wide across the ocean bar and into Port Royal Sound for approximately 13.2 miles and then 24 feet deep and 300 feet wide in Beaufort River and Battery Creek, extending an additional 7.5 miles, to include a turning basin 27 feet deep and 600 feet wide opposite the wharf of the former South Carolina Ports Authority complex. The inner channel and turning basin were completed in 1956 and the entrance channel was completed in 1959, providing access for break bulk commodities including cement, clay, slurry, feldspar and aggregate, estimated at 517,000 tons annually.

STATUS

As of March 2025 – The Charleston District has coordinated with military and civilian stakeholders to assess current use and economic benefits. The draft report recommended deauthorization. The final report is currently at ASA(CW) for review. Deauthorization requires Congressional action.

SPONSOR

N/A

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