Our Mission

The Saint Paul Port Authority creates quality job opportunities, expands the tax base and advances sustainable development.
4 River Terminals

$2 MM Annual Tax Revenue
Barge Conversion

- One 15-Barge Tow
- 216 Rail Cars + 6 Locomotives
- 1,050 Large Semi Tractor-Trailers
Red Rock Shipping Terminal
Objectives

• SAFETY

• Be an economic driver for the city and region
  • Living wage (union) jobs
  • Tax base (funding) for Saint Paul
  • Transportation hub to allow for supply chain movement of goods

• Increase public river access

• No environmental degradation

• Improve operational efficiency
Parkland Diversion Request
What about Wetlands?

• In 1991 Minnesota passed the Minnesota Wetland Conservation Act (WCA)

• Purpose of WCA is to achieve no net loss in quantity, quality, and biological diversity of MN wetlands

• If property ownership transfer is successful, next steps include:
  • Wetland Survey/inventory
  • Work with DNR and environmental consultants to develop a wetland mitigation plan that meets demands of WCA
Why? Current Issue
Safety Concerns

• Home to 600 daily workers

• Up to 750 trucks passing through daily

• In 2017, over 2.7 million tons shipped through Red Rock Terminal
North Rail Access
Alternative Advantages

• Unit Train access from the north means:
  • No more extended blockages of terminal or business entrances
  • Workers getting to/from work as needed

• Improves Accessing to Pigs Eye Lake and River
  • SPPA make a donation to schematic design phase of Great River Passage implementation for east side of Saint Paul
  • Partnership between SPPA, City staff, residents and businesses to find safe access points

• Provides a no cost to the City solution funded by businesses and the Port Authority
Next Steps

• Get feedback from District Council
• Work to address community concerns
• Parkland diversion request goes before parks commission
• Parkland diversion request goes before City Council for approval
• If approved, SPPA and Gavilon will work on design and future construction of project including mandatory wetland impact mitigation and/or replacement as needed
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Questions?

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