

Sustainably managing Melbourne's port

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A sustainable port for the future

Managing the Port of Melbourne sustainably is essential to maintaining the lifestyle, livelihood and trade benefits for the tens of thousands of businesses and households who depend on port activity for trade, employment and imported goods.

Through taking a long-term view of sustainable port management, Port of Melbourne Corporation (PoMC) will meet today's need for trade while supporting Victoria's future growth and environmental and economic aspirations.

This means managing our environmental footprint and considering the social impact of port operations, while ensuring the port remains a valuable economic contributor, enhancing the everyday lives of Australians into the future.

Quick Facts

- Victoria's population growth is the key driver of growth in trade through the Port of Melbourne.
- New port developments must consider the needs of local communities and the Victorian community.
- PoMC Safety and Environment Management System is aligned to Standards ISO 14001 and AS4801.



Environmental sustainability

PoMC has taken a proactive approach to managing land, sea and air environment risks as a vital and responsible component of modern business thinking and practice. See our environmental initiatives below.

Addressing climate change

PoMC's Climate Change Strategy involves programs to reduce energy consumption and increase the environmental efficiency of PoMC's activity as well as measuring and reporting on climate change initiatives.

Water and energy savings

PoMC's Water & Energy Management Strategy is aimed at identifying and implementing opportunities for conserving water and energy wherever possible, including water harvesting.

Managing contaminated land

PoMC has a Contaminated Land Management Strategy to identify, assess and manage areas of land in the port precinct contaminated by poor past environmental practices as far back as 150 years ago. This program is delivered in consultation with the Environment Protection Authority (EPA).

Safety and Environment Management Plan (SEMP)

PoMC's SEMP is a best practice program to identify and mitigate safety and environmental risks across the port. PoMC's Safety and Environment Management System is aligned to ISO 14001 – Environmental Management Standard and AS4801 – Occupational Health and Safety Management Standards.

Social contribution

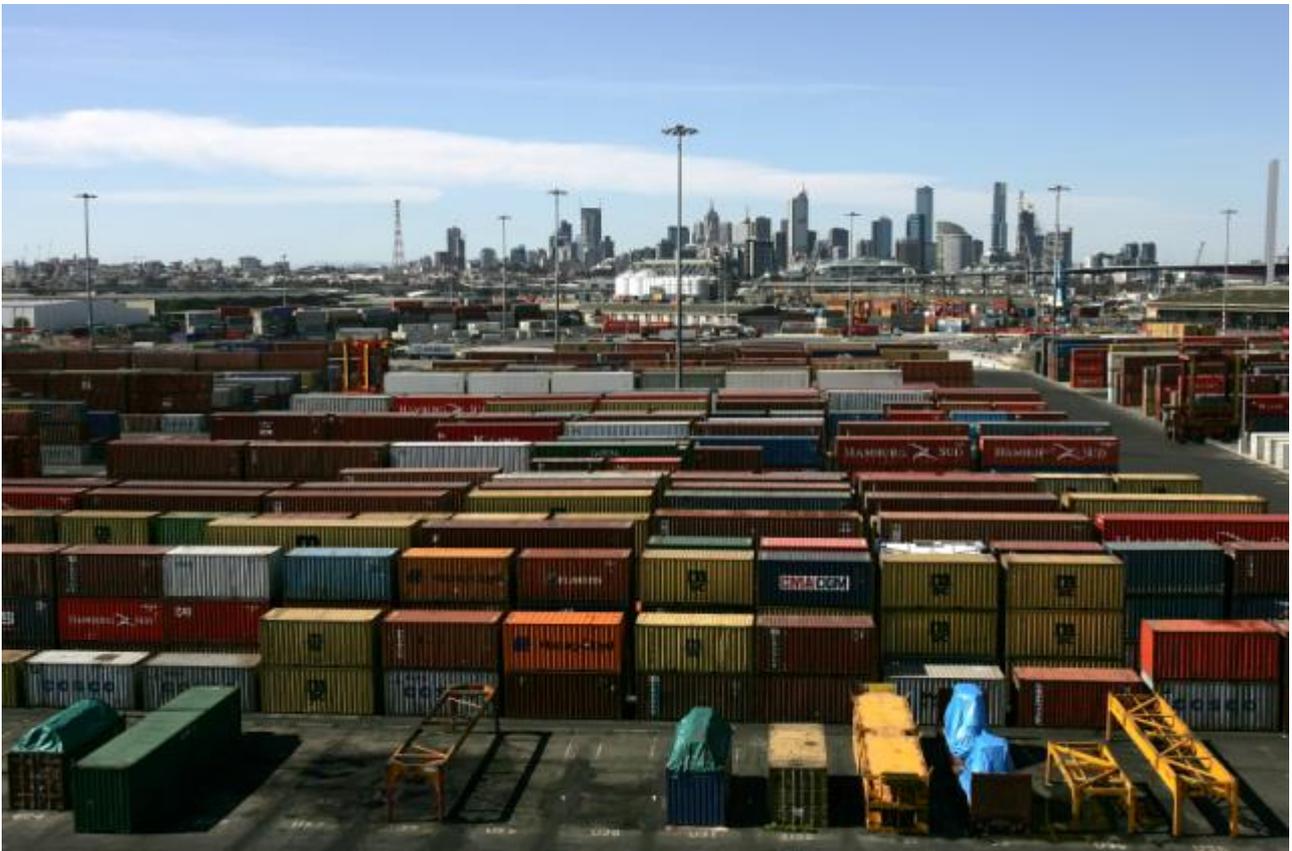
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In contributing to our society, PoMC must ensure port infrastructure is available to manage trade demand while protecting the amenity of communities which neighbour the port.

New port developments are assessed and designed with a balanced consideration of the requirements of local municipalities as well as the wider Victorian community.

PoMC is committed to information sharing and engagement with local councils, community groups, residents and businesses to ensure that port operations and future growth is understood and valued within port-side communities.

To learn more about our information programs, see our Fact Sheet *PoMC in our community* or visit the Community pages at our website at www.portofmelbourne.com.



Economic contribution

All Victorians benefit from the Port of Melbourne's strong position as Australia's leading container port, through competitively priced imported goods, access to worldwide export markets for producers and jobs for the thousands of workers who directly or indirectly rely on port operations.

In 2009, PoMC developed its *Port Development Strategy*, which outlines the future direction for the port until 2035. The Strategy will help ensure the Port of Melbourne maintains a position of strength while growing sustainably for the benefit of all Victorians.

To learn more, visit the Port Development section of our website at www.portofmelbourne.com.



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