

Greetings Contra Costa Council board mates,

I'm pleased to report that Pam Speka and I successfully conducted the NLUS US **Merchant Marine/Maritime Transportation System** presentation to Congressman DeSaulnier's staffmember Ryan-Thomas Brown at the Cal Maritime Marine Safety & Security training facility in Richmond today. We were given a tour of the facility which included the 180' training "prop" which is a ship-like structure used in various training applications including firefighting. This training facility is unique on the West Coast, and it's located both within our council's AOR and CA-11.

In attendance were the president of Cal Maritime, director of the MSSC, and a representative from the Chevron Fire Department. Other invitees were unable to attend due to schedule conflicts and exigent circumstances, and we were able to cover those topics unique to their particular missions within the USMM/MTS sector.

My thanks to Pam and the council for continuing support our legislative affairs mission.

Very Respectfully,

Bill Kinsey

Vice President, Legislative Affairs

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