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Florida Governor Rick Scott seeks to continue major port infrastructure investment

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (Feb. 7, 2017) – Florida Governor Rick Scott visited JAXPORT's Blount Island Marine Terminal on Monday to discuss his plans for investing further in state transportation and seaport projects during the coming year. He recently proposed a $10.8 billion transportation budget, including $176 million for Florida ports.

Gov. Scott was joined by JAXPORT CEO Brian Taylor, Northeast Florida elected officials and members of the International Longshoremen's

Association as he highlighted the results of recent port-related investments and the creation of quality employment opportunities.

JAXPORT is committed to the ongoing enhancement of port facilities with more than $600 million invested in major growth projects designed to best serve global cargo customers, increase efficiency and support expansion.

The port achieved record-setting growth in 2016 in containers, auto imports and breakbulk cargoes. JAXPORT also completed several major milestone projects last year including the new on-dock rail facility serving the Blount Island and Dames Point Terminals; berth, dock and rail upgrades and three new 100-gauge electric container cranes which entered service in December.

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