

***District Eleven (D11) and District Thirteen (D13) are collaboratively conducting a “Pacific Coast – Port Access Route Study” (PAC-PARS).***

**Public comment is critical to the Coast Guard’s effort to provide services in the final analysis of the PAC-PARS. Please see the links on the back of this pamphlet to submit your comment.**



**Harbor Safety Committees are a great opportunity to discuss waterway management practices with the Coast Guard.**



Access to the study can be found by scanning the QR Code at the bottom of this flyer, or visit:

<https://www.regulations.gov>

And search the docket number:

**“USCG-2021-0345”**

Questions or concerns can be sent to:

**PACPARS@USCG.MIL**

**Please submit all official comments to the docket above.**  
**Comments and related material must be received on or before 25 January, 2022.**

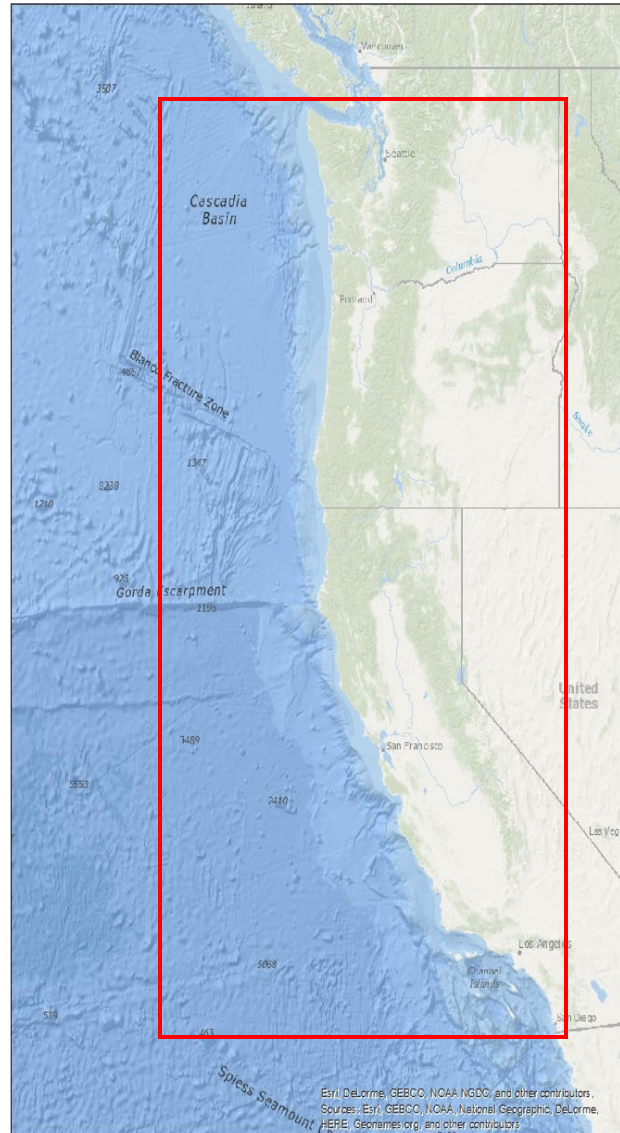
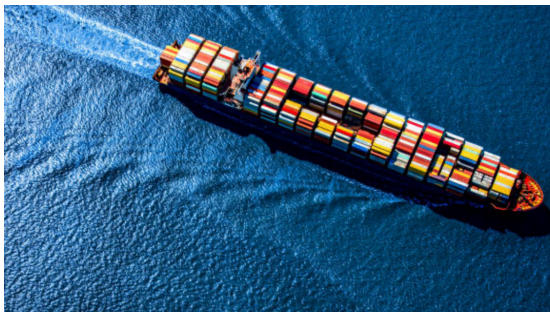
# **PACIFIC COAST PORT ACCESS ROUTE STUDY (PAC-PARS)**



## What is the Pacific Coast Port Access Route Study (PAC-PARS)?

The PAC-PARS is a study through the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) to evaluate the usage of coastal waterways by vessel tracking data as well as the public's comment. The study is a required process to determine if current navigation protocols are adequate for existing and future traffic levels.

***The PAC-PARS will be the first comprehensive evaluation of all vessel traffic patterns that utilize the Pacific Coast waterways outside of California, Oregon, and Washington.***



## What is prompting the PAC-PARS study?

Vessel traffic, offshore renewable energy infrastructure, aquaculture, and commercial and government rocket testing are a few changes occurring along the West Coast. The USCG is conducting a study on navigational conditions for coastal and outer-continental shelf transits. The USCG wants to ensure that safe navigation can be maintained as development continues.

***The study will provide a baseline to assist with future determinations of waterway suitability for current and future waterway needs.***

## What areas are we looking into?

The primary ports of the Pacific Coast Port Access Route Study (PAC-PARS) are: San Diego, CA, Los Angeles/Long Beach, CA, San Francisco, CA, Humboldt Bay, CA, Coos Bay, OR, Yaquina Bay, OR, Astoria, OR, Grays Harbor, WA, and Puget Sound, WA.