



Panel Discussion B – Panelist

Mr. Matthew Arms

**Director of Environmental Planning
Port of Long Beach**

Matt Arms is the Director of Environmental Planning for the Port of Long Beach, joined the Port in 2003, and has been leading the Environmental Division since 2018. Environmental Planning is the division most directly responsible for the Port's industry-leading environmental programs: the 2005 Green Port Policy, the 2006 San Pedro Bay Ports Clean Air Action Plan (CAAP), and its 2017 Update. The division leads programs to improve air, water, and soil quality, preserve wildlife habitat, and integrate sustainability into Port practices. Due to the effectiveness of these programs, total diesel emissions at the Port have dramatically dropped by 91% since 2005, and native wildlife is making a comeback. Mr. Arms earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Environmental Science from Washington State University and worked in an environmental consulting firm before beginning his career at the Port.