

Agency Name:	State Ports Authority		
Agency Code:	Y140	Section:	88



Fiscal Year FY 2026-2027

Agency Budget Plan

FORM A - BUDGET PLAN SUMMARY

OPERATING REQUESTS <i>(FORM B1)</i>	For FY 2026-2027, my agency is (mark "X"):	
	☐	Requesting General Fund Appropriations.
	☐	Requesting Federal/Other Authorization.
	☒	Not requesting any changes.
NON-RECURRING REQUESTS <i>(FORM B2)</i>	For FY 2026-2027, my agency is (mark "X"):	
	☐	Requesting Non-Recurring Appropriations.
	☐	Requesting Non-Recurring Federal/Other Authorization.
	☒	Not requesting any changes.
CAPITAL REQUESTS <i>(FORM C)</i>	For FY 2026-2027, my agency is (mark "X"):	
	☐	Requesting funding for Capital Projects.
	☒	Not requesting any changes.
PROVISOS <i>(FORM D)</i>	For FY 2026-2027, my agency is (mark "X"):	
	☒	Requesting a new proviso and/or substantive changes to existing provisos.
	☐	Only requesting technical proviso changes (such as date references).
	☐	Not requesting any proviso changes.

Please identify your agency's preferred contacts for this year's budget process.

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Email</u>
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I have reviewed and approved the enclosed FY 2026-2027 Agency Budget Plan, which is complete and accurate to the extent of my knowledge.

	<u>Agency Director</u>	<u>Board or Commission Chair</u>
SIGN/DATE:		
TYPE/PRINT NAME:		

This form must be signed by the agency head – not a delegate.

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FORM D – PROVISO REVISION REQUEST

NUMBER	88.1
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Cite the proviso according to the renumbered list (or mark “NEW”).

TITLE	Charleston Cooper River Bridge Project
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Provide the title from the renumbered list or suggest a short title for any new request.

BUDGET PROGRAM	N/A
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Identify the associated budget program(s) by name and budget section.

RELATED BUDGET REQUEST	N/A
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Is this request associated with a budget request you have submitted for FY 2026-2027? If so, cite it here.

REQUESTED ACTION	Amend
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Choose from: Add, Delete, Amend, or Codify.

OTHER AGENCIES AFFECTED	South Carolina Transportation Infrastructure Bank.
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Which other agencies would be affected by the recommended action? How?

SUMMARY & EXPLANATION	This provios directs the South Carolina State Ports Authority to pay the South Carolina Trasportation Infrastructure Bank \$1,000,000 annually from other general funds or operating fund surplus and any other funds appropriated to the authority in prior fiscal years that are unspent as of 7/1/26 to continue the Charleston Cooper River Bridge Project. The Request is to amend the FY 2025-2026 proviso to change the dates from 06/30/26 to 06/30/27 and 07/1/25 to 7/1/26. This proviso meets the obligations of the South Carolina State Ports Authority to the State Infrastructure Bank's financial agreement with no impact on the general fund. The funds used to pay the State Infrastructure Bank are operating funds of the South Carolina State Ports Authority, none of which are state-appropriated funds. The State Ports Authority's committment is to provide \$1,000,000 annually for 25 years until 2027.
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Summarize the existing proviso. If requesting a new proviso, describe the current state of affairs without it. Explain the need for your requested action. For deletion requests due to recent codification, please identify SC Code section where language now appears.

FISCAL IMPACT

The funds used to pay the South Carolina Transportation Infrastructure Bank are operating funds of the South Carolina State Ports Authority, none of which are state appropriated funds. There is no fiscal impact on the General Fund.

Provide estimates of any fiscal impacts associated with this proviso, whether for state, federal, or other funds. Explain the method of calculation.

PROPOSED PROVISO TEXT

88.1 (SPA: Charleston Cooper River Bridge Project) The State Ports Authority shall, from other general fund or operating fund surplus available and any funds appropriated to the authority in prior fiscal years and left unexpended as of July 1, ~~2025~~, 2026, pay to the State Transportation Infrastructure Bank one million dollars before June 30, ~~2026~~, 2027, to continue the Charleston Cooper River Bridge Project.

Paste existing text above, then bold and underline insertions and strikethrough deletions. For new proviso requests, enter requested text above.

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FORM D – PROVISIO REVISION REQUEST

NUMBER	88.plf
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Cite the proviso according to the renumbered list (or mark “NEW”).

TITLE	Funds for Logistics Site in Jasper County
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Provide the title from the renumbered list or suggest a short title for any new request.

BUDGET PROGRAM	N/A
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Identify the associated budget program(s) by name and budget section.

RELATED BUDGET REQUEST	N/A
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Is this request associated with a budget request you have submitted for FY 2026-2027? If so, cite it here.

REQUESTED ACTION	Add
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Choose from: Add, Delete, Amend, or Codify.

OTHER AGENCIES AFFECTED	N/A
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Which other agencies would be affected by the recommended action? How?

SUMMARY & EXPLANATION	The proviso directs the South Carolina State Ports Authority to provide up to \$1.8 million to the Southern Carolina Regional Development Alliance to support the development of a logistics site in Jasper County. The site would serve warehousing and cold storage needs. All fund distributions require a formal request and approval by the South Carolina Department of Commerce, with a copy of the approved request provided to the South Carolina State Ports Authority before any funds are disbursed.
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Summarize the existing proviso. If requesting a new proviso, describe the current state of affairs without it. Explain the need for your requested action. For deletion requests due to recent codification, please identify SC Code section where language now appears.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact to the General Fund.

Provide estimates of any fiscal impacts associated with this proviso, whether for state, federal, or other funds. Explain the method of calculation.

PROPOSED PROVISO TEXT

88.plf. (SPA: Funds for Logistics Site in Jasper County) Of the funds previously appropriated to the South Carolina State Ports Authority (SCSPA) in the Jasper Ocean Terminal Facility Permitting and Infrastructure Fund, SCSPA is directed to distribute, in installments and subject to the approvals as hereinafter provided, up to \$1,800,000 to the Southern Carolina Regional Development Alliance (SCRDA) for SCRDA's service as an intermediary and service provider on behalf of a coalition of its interested member counties with economic interests in Jasper County's ocean terminal-related improvements to procure legal, financial, engineering, and other professional services necessary to analyze, and to the extent appropriate, engage in negotiations with the Georgia Ports Authority (GPA), the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT), and the United States Corps of Engineers (Corps) to construct a port logistics facility on an approximately 100-acre tract of land (Logistics Site) in Jasper County on the South Carolina side of the Savannah River, adjacent to Highway 17, proximate to the Talmadge Bridge, and across the river from Hutchinson Island to serve warehousing and cold storage needs. The Logistics Site is one of the seven Dredged Material Containment Areas (DMCA) designated in the Corps' Savannah Harbor Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP), all of which are encumbered by a perpetual spoil easement (Spoil Easement) held by the Corps and used by the Corps for the disposal of materials dredged from the Savannah River, the Logistics Facility being shown on the DMMP as DMMP Tract 12A. The referenced negotiations by the SCRDA with the GPA, the GDOT, and the Corps shall include, without limitation, the potential acquisition and/or conveyance of fee simple title or other property interests in exchange for (1) the conveyance of fee simple title to DMMP Tract 12A, currently owned by the GDOT; and (2) the Corps' release of the Spoil Easement as an encumbrance on DMMP Tract 12A in order to allow said tract to be developed into a Logistics Site. SCSPA will work to facilitate an agreement to accommodate a cold storage facility or the Logistics Site as reasonably necessary in support of the referenced negotiations. Prior to receiving funds from SCSPA, SCRDA shall submit a written request to the Department of Commerce for the review and written approval of a distribution from SCSPA to SCRDA, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, with a copy of the written request by SCRDA and the written approval from the Department of Commerce to be provided to SCSPA prior to the distribution of funds.

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