

## Port of Oakland invites development proposals for Howard Property

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Howard Property of Port of Oakland

The Port of Oakland has issued a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to find a developer for its 200,000 m<sup>2</sup> Howard Property, situated along the Oakland waterfront.

This site, which was a marine terminal until 2013, is now open for a variety of potential uses. It is located between industrial operations to the west and Jack London Square—Oakland's premier waterfront entertainment area—to the east.

The Californian port is open to a range of proposals, including maritime, light industrial, commercial, recreational, or water-oriented projects.

This RFQ follows a period of exploring different ideas for the site, including a 2019 Exclusive Negotiation Term Sheet with the Oakland A's for a mixed-use ballpark development, which lapsed in May 2023.

Currently, the Howard Property is primarily leased for short-term purposes such as container parking and other maritime services.

"The Port has a major opportunity to create a transformational development project that can provide critical economic benefits to Oakland and the region. We're looking for development partners who will help realize the Port's commitment to creating good-paying, local jobs for the region while fully activating the Howard Property," stated Jonathan Veach, Port of Oakland's Chief Real Estate Officer.