



Matthew B. Burns

Executive Director, Maine Port Authority

Matthew has been the Executive Director of the Maine Port Authority since 2022. Prior to his tenure with the MPA, Matthew was the Director of Ports and Marine Transportation with MaineDOT. Matthew graduated from Maine Maritime Academy (2004) with a B.S. in Marine Transportation Operations and spent 13 years as a deck officer before starting a new career in state government. Matthew has experience in the maritime industry, having been a US Merchant Marine deck officer on passenger vessels, tankers, dredges, and ultra-deep-water drill ships. He has been fortunate enough to travel and work in seaports all over the world. Matt now works with port facilities throughout the Maine coast to develop projects and plan investments that will lead to new business using Maine's ports for many years to come.