



JAMES "TRIPPER" JONES

CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER

Tripper Jones oversees JAXPORT's Engineering and Construction and Equipment departments, directing marine and landside infrastructure development, capital construction, and equipment maintenance. He leads all engineering and construction activities related to capital improvements, including delivery of a capital growth program exceeding \$250 million annually. Major projects under his responsibility include the ongoing expansion of Blount Island's container and auto-handling capabilities.

As leader of the Equipment function, Jones is responsible for maintaining a modern fleet that supports safe, efficient, and reliable operations at Florida's largest container port, including a comprehensive maintenance and upgrade program for 19 container cranes.

Jones has more than 20 years of experience in project delivery and management across port, rail, and facilities infrastructure. His career includes extensive time in the field, providing a practical, hands-on understanding of construction operations. This experience informs his collaborative, solutions-oriented approach to program delivery and enables him to effectively connect operational realities with long-term strategic planning.

Prior to joining JAXPORT, Jones served as a consultant supporting the completion of JAXPORT capital improvement projects and worked on a range of regional rail and public infrastructure projects.

