

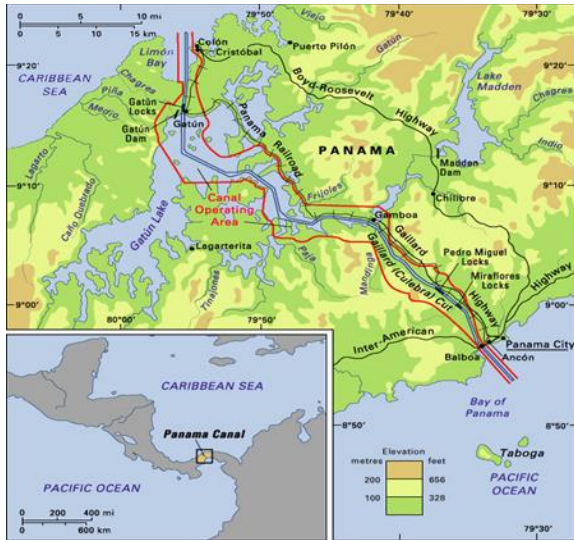


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Research the Panama Canal Expansion project on the internet. Answer the questions below.

### Panama Canal Expansion (2007-2014)



When completed, the Panama Canal expansion project will double the capacity of the Panama Canal by creating a new single-lane three-step lock system. Not only will the capacity double but it will allow larger ships to transit.

Increasing the size of the vessels that can travel through the Panama Canal will allow the volume of goods to increase. Panama hopes to become a logistical hub that not only connects two oceans, but also provides access to Latin America, a large and growing market.

Contractors used 75 Cat machines on just the first two phases of the six phase project.

Panama is on which continent?

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What two oceans does the Panama Canal connect?

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What is Panama's official language?

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What kind of goods do you think will be transported through the Panama Canal?

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How do you think the increased volume of goods will improve the lives of those living in Panama and Latin America?

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