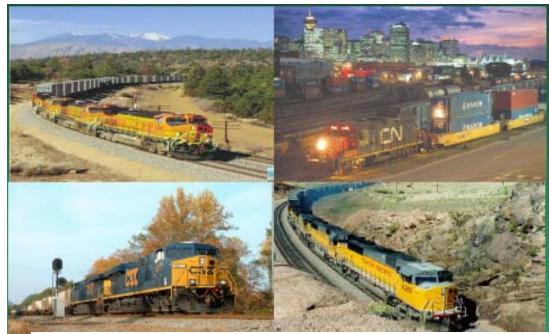
#### **Rail - What Does the Future Bring?**



Jeannie Beckett Sr. Dir., Inland Transportation Port of Tacoma

Oct 18, 2007





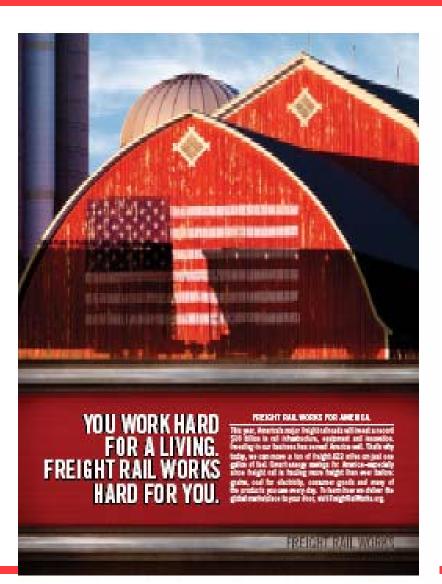


**Marine Terminal Management Training Program** 

#### The Rail Networks



## Railroads' Media Blitz



Print Ads TV Ads Radio Ads



RailroadsPSA.wmv

## Let's Look at the Challenge

#### What will the Future Bring?

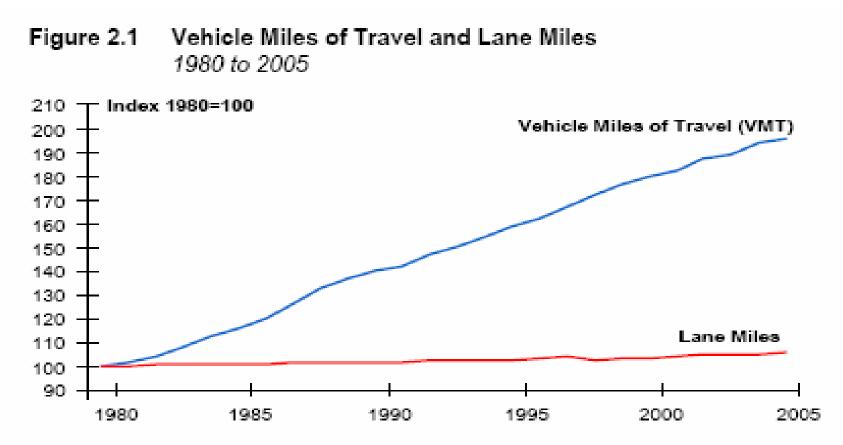
- Can we Meet the Cargo Projects and Still give out Communities Quality of Life?
- Are there Alternatives to Congestion?



**I-710 Under Normal Conditions** 

I-710 During Ports Shutdown

## As cost of Highway Congestion goes up...

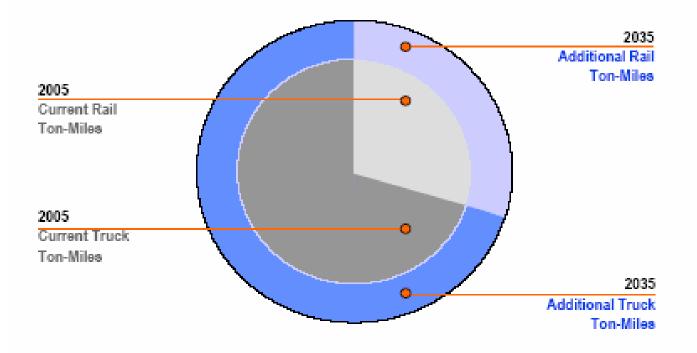


Source: Federal Highway Administration, Highway Statistics.

Railroads help carry more Freight...

## Rail moves 30% of our Freight

#### Figure 2.4 Truck and Rail Market Shares in Ton-Miles 2005 and 2035



Source: Cambridge Systematics, Inc., based on Global Insight, Inc. freight demand forecasts.

#### Many different types of Rail

#### **Recognizing the different needs of each Business Unit**



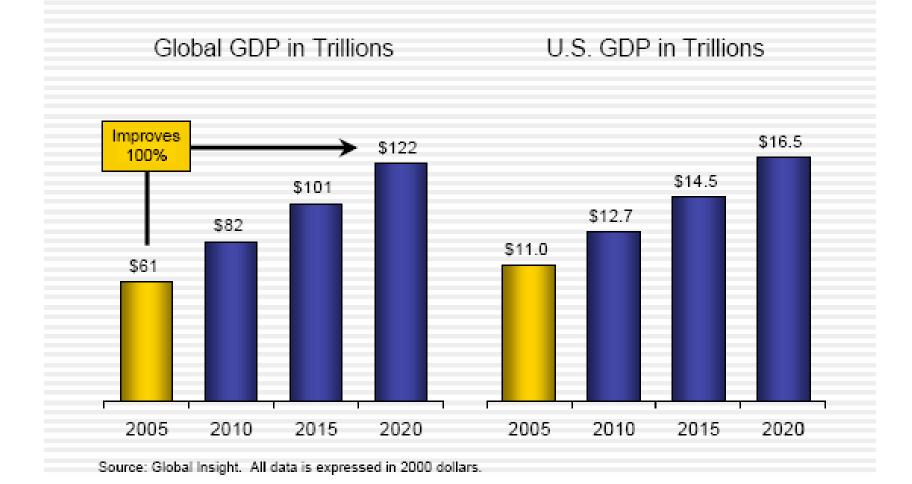




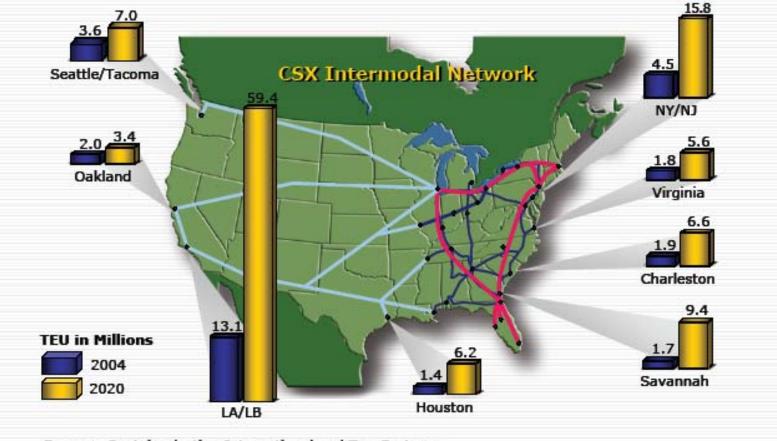


## Customers a Seamless Solution to the marketplace – "An Expressway to your customers' door"

## Global Economy to double by 2020

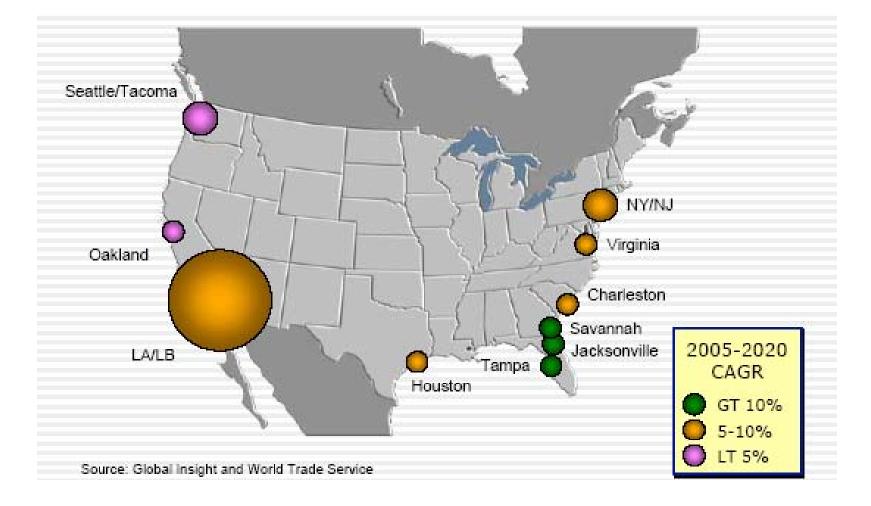


## Volume will continue to go to Gateway Ports

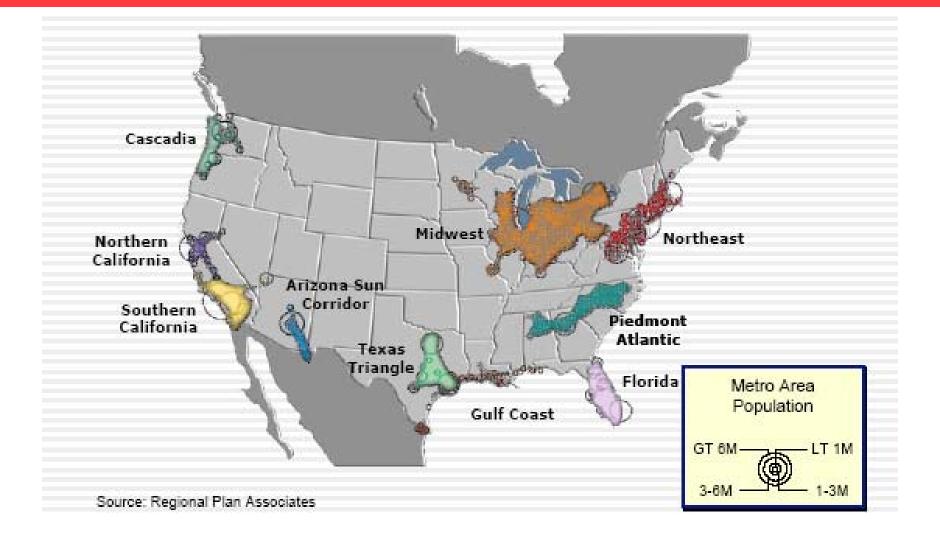


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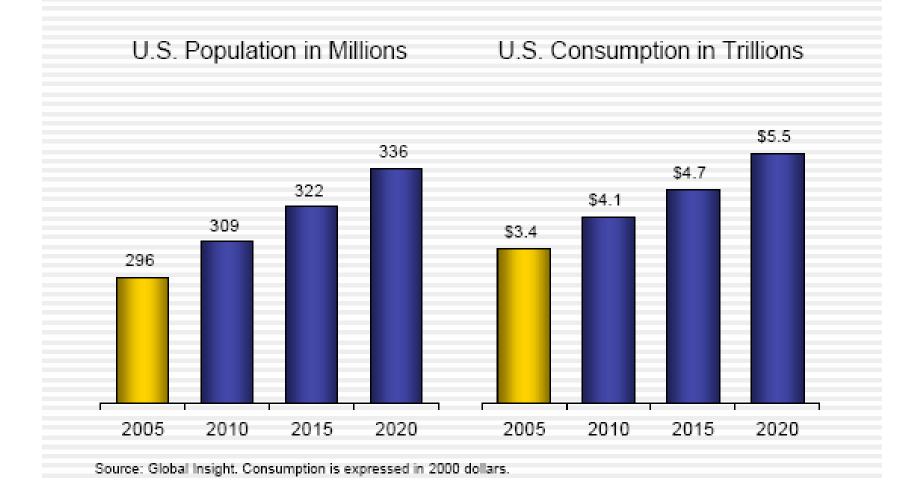
## Gateways continue to Grow



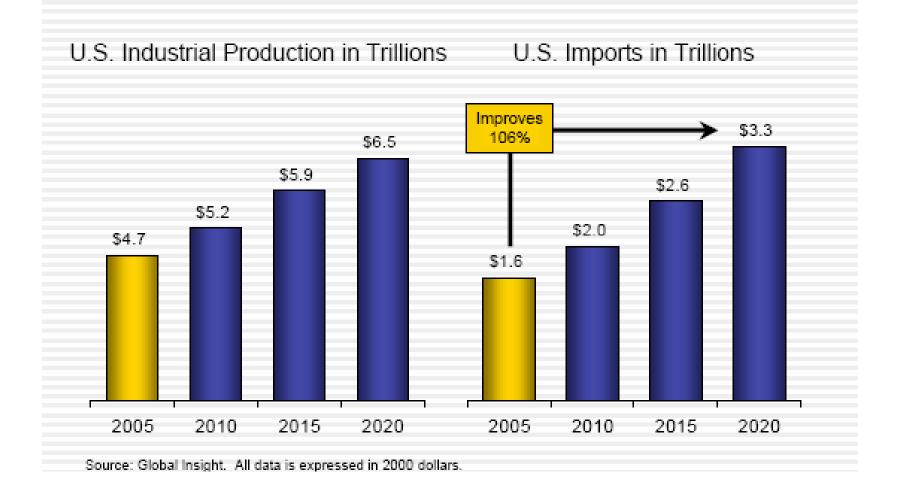
## Chicago and NE continues to Grow



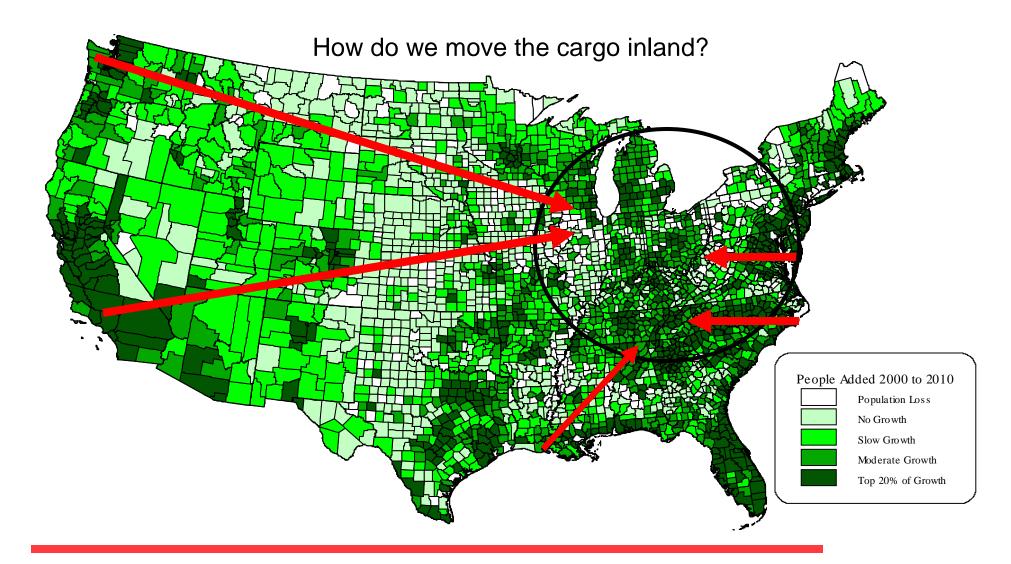
## Consumption driven by Population growth



#### Industrial Production continues to Grow



# Consumption follows Population Growth

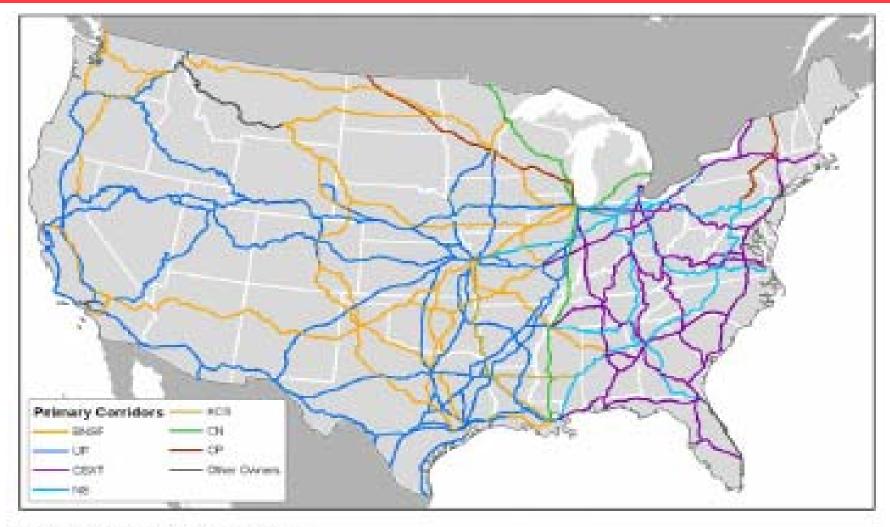


## Will the Gateways be able to meet Projections?

Marketplace drivers . . .

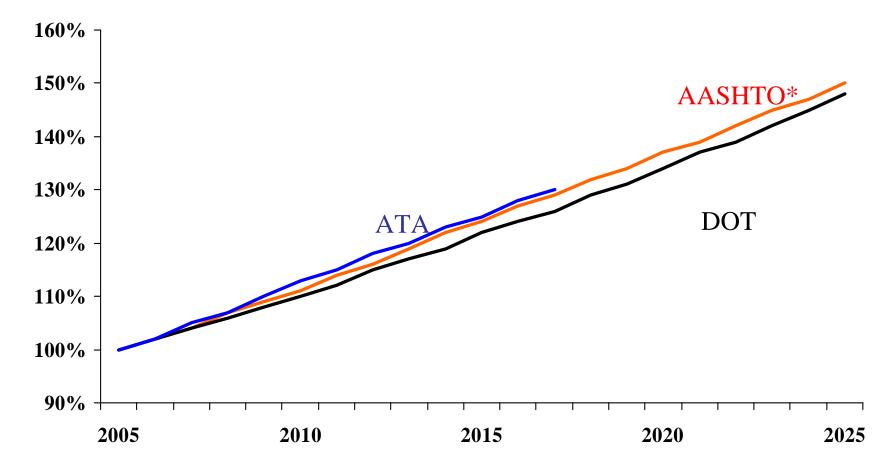


## **Primary Rail Corridors**



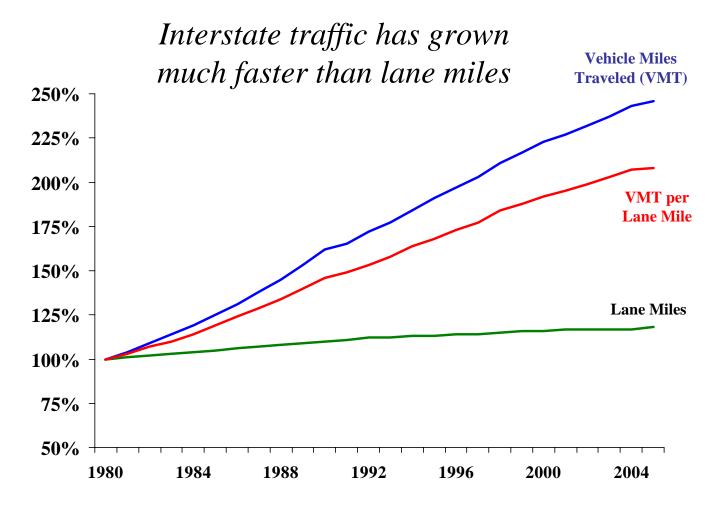
Source: Cambridge Systematics, Inc.

## Major Freight Growth Projected (Domestic Tons All Modes)



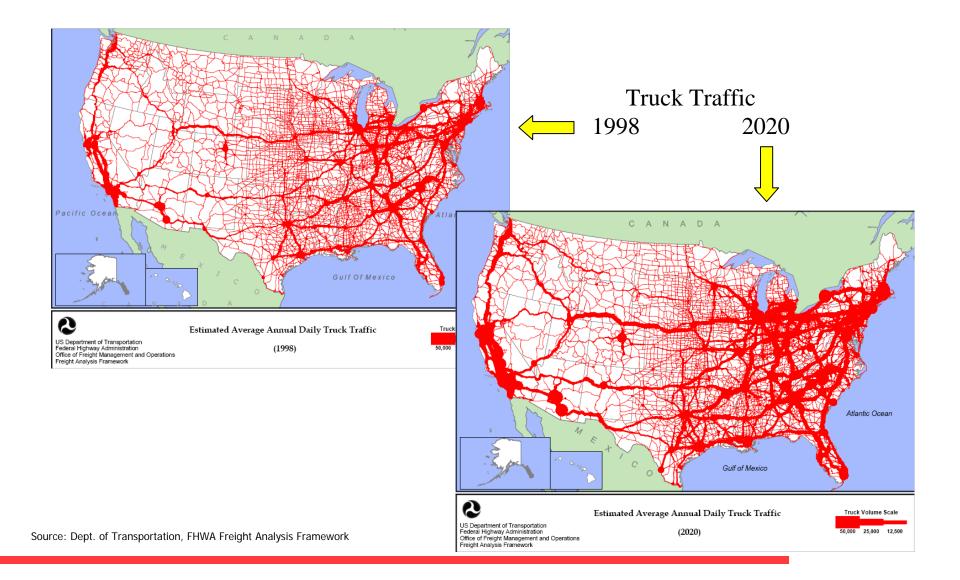
All figures indexed with each source's 2005 traffic levels equal to 100 percent \*AASHTO: American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials

## Highway Capacity Already Strained



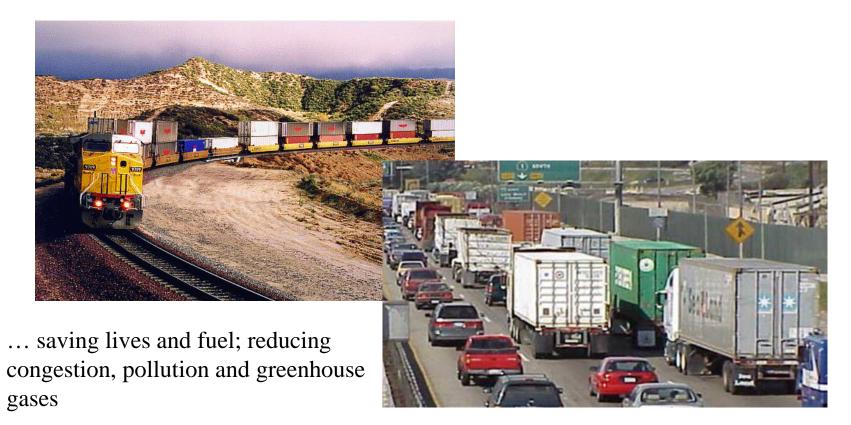
Source: Dept. of Transportation, National Transportation Statistics

## More Highway Gridlock Coming

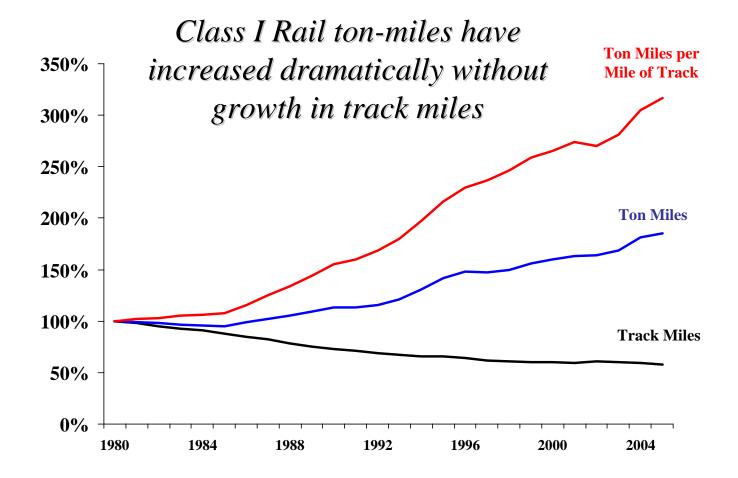


## **Benefits of Rail**

A single intermodal train can remove up to 280 trucks from roadway travel ...

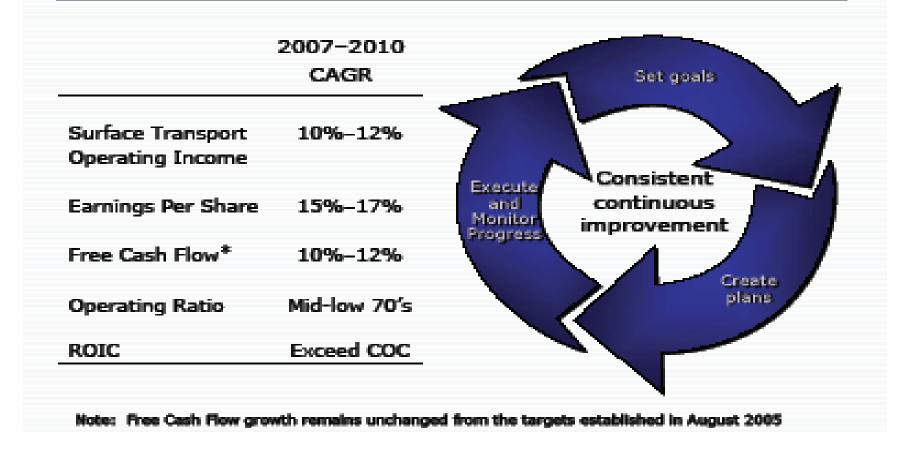


### Rail has become more productive

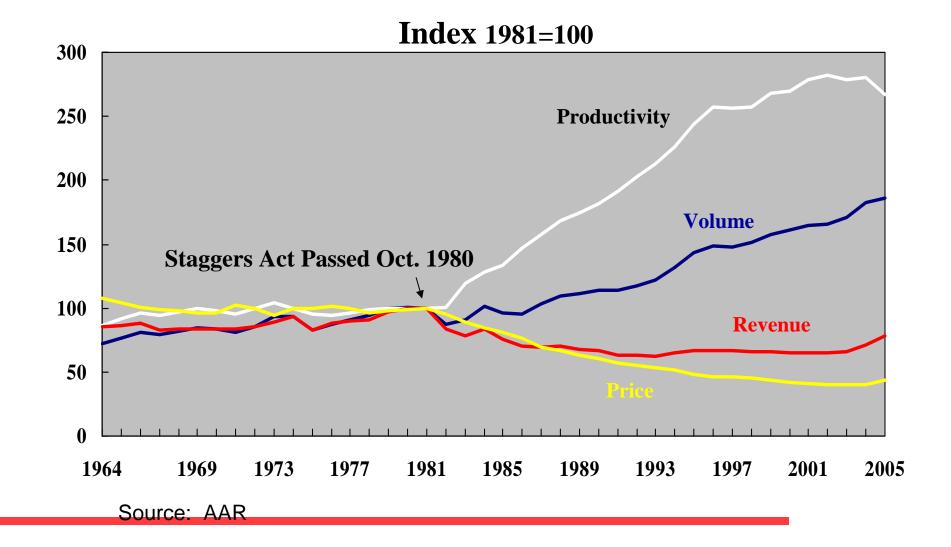


# Main Line Targets

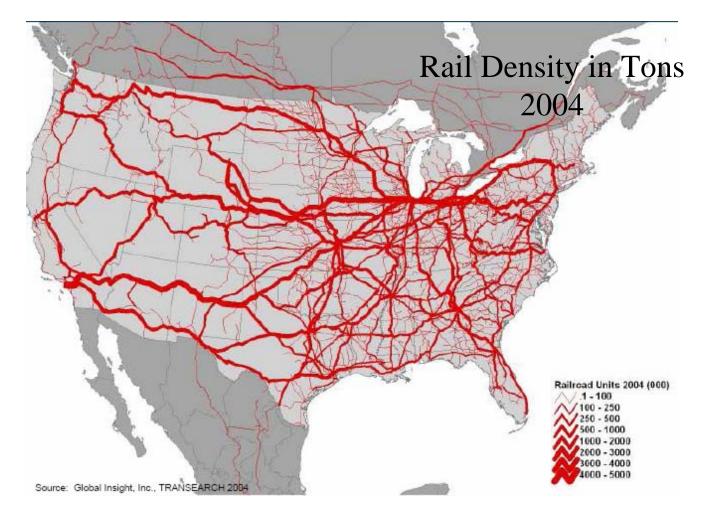
#### New targets established through 2010



## U.S. Freight Railroad Performance Since Staggers



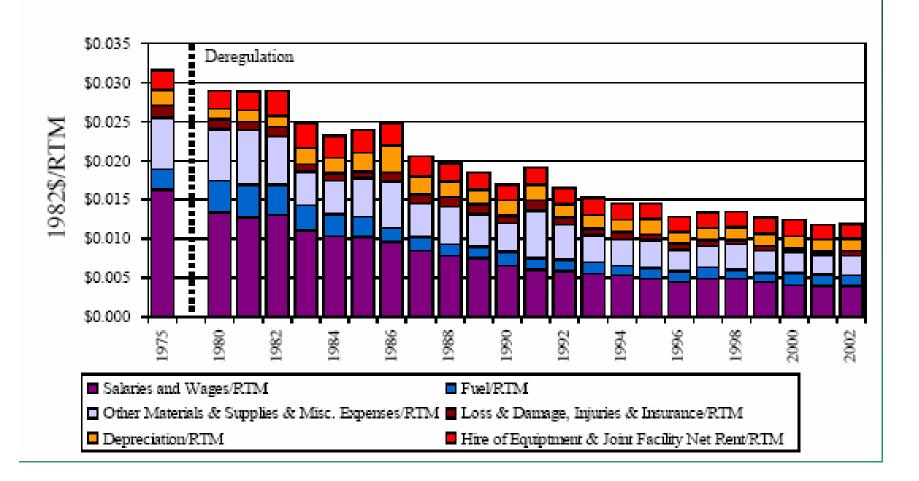
## Rail Density is Growing



Source: Dept. of Transportation, FHWA Freight Analysis Framework

# RR have more than halved their cost / revenue per ton mile since deregulation

Railroad Expenditures per Revenue Ton Mile (1982\$)

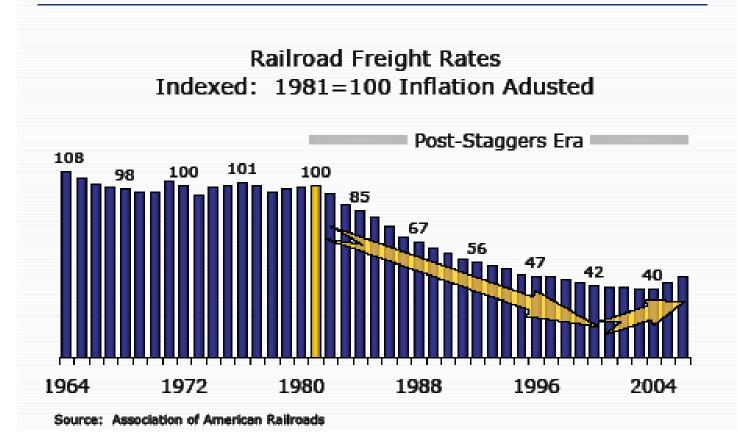


## Tighter Capacity + Better Service

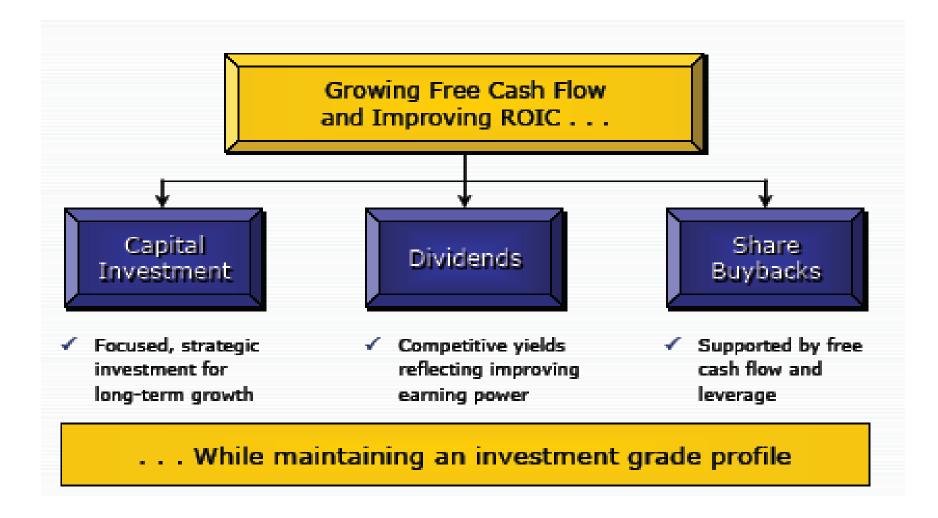


# Rail Pricing continues Up

Rail pricing still in the early stages of recovery

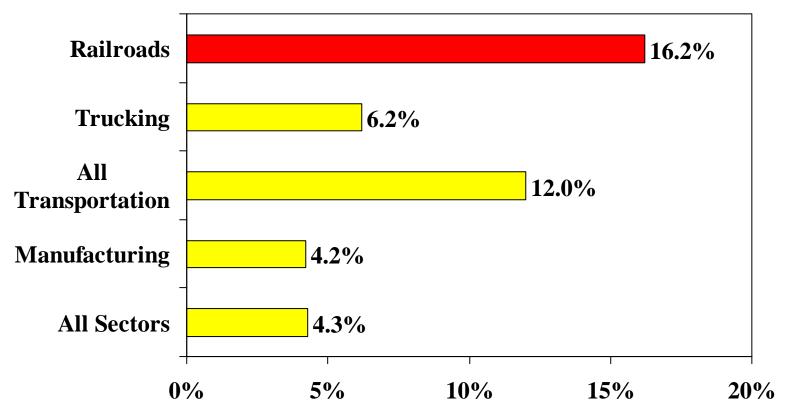


## **Balancing Shareholder Needs**



## Railroads Are Highly Capital Intensive

#### **Capital Investment as a % of Revenue**



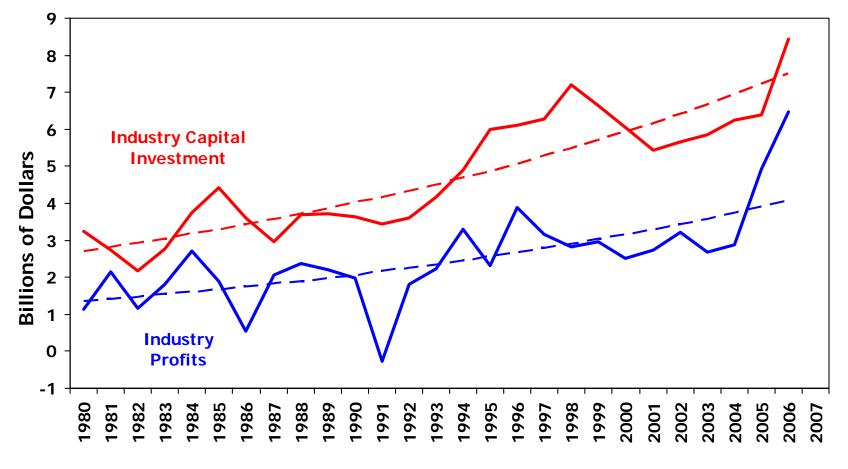
Source: Census Bureau, STB

All figures based on 2002 economic census except railroads and trucking

All transportation includes NAICS 48 industries including: air, rail, trucking, water and pipeline transportation Trucking figures are 1999-2005 average for NAICS 484 based on Census Services Annual Survey

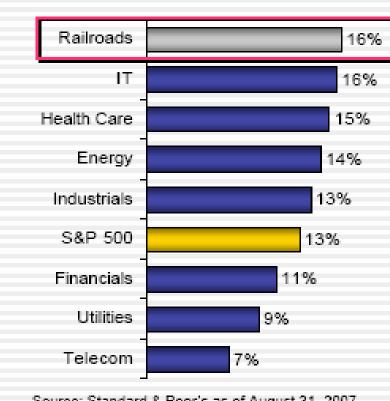
Railroad figures are 1999-2005 average based on STB R-1 filings (Class I railroads cash capital)

# Capital Investment Has Grown in Tandem with Profitability ... but ...



Historical nominal dollars invested based on STB R-1 filings (Class I railroads cash capital) Industry profits based on R-1 filings of Class I railroads

## Growth is not being Rewarded







Source: Standard & Poor's as of August 31, 2007

## **RR** Capital Investment Reality

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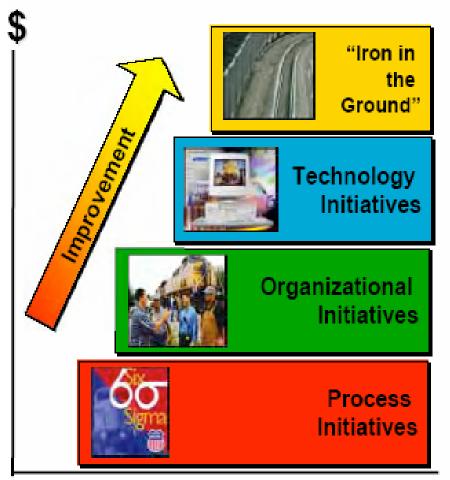
If ROI > cost of capital:

- Faster, more reliable service
- Sustainability
- Stronger physical plant; more and better equipment
- Capital spending expands

If ROI < cost of capital:

- Lower capital spending
- Weaker physical plant, equipment
- Slower, less reliable service
- Lower capital spending

## **Capacity Improvement Process**



•Build new Intermodal Facilities and Add new Track

- •Add Technology to current Terminals
- •Develop Web based Decision Tools
- •Improve Financial Returns
- Improve Cashflows
- •Document Processes- look for opportunities to improve efficiency

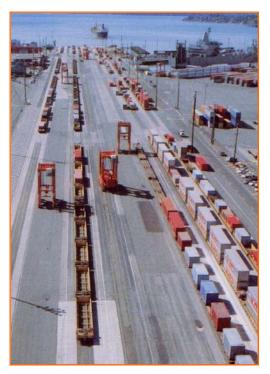
Courtesy of UPRR

## Capital Investment must be Focused



# Increasing Capacity at Ports

- Balancing Port Capacity –Land Use
  - Container Yard Acres
  - Intermodal On-dock Acres
  - What is the right formula?
- Balancing Densification of Storage with Velocity of Rail
  - Decrease the Dwell & Increased Capacity
  - Do you stack it higher, or move it faster?
  - Off-site support



# Increasing Capacity



Density by Destination



... results in More Throughput And Better Customer Service



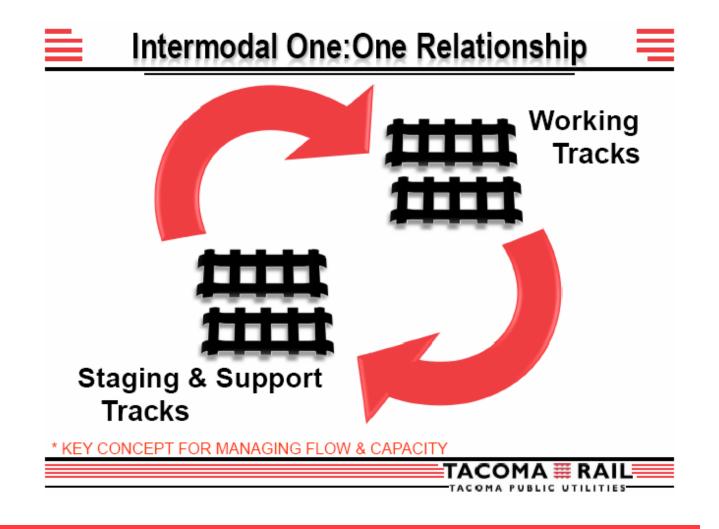
#### Alternative Loading Schemes/Geometry What is the right Equipment Mix?



#### Today's Rail Capacity

Described multiple ways
On – Dock Ramp Capacity
Support Track Capacity
Port Rail Capacity
Connector Capacity
Mainline Capacity

### **Correct Formula**



# Train Lengths

#### Table 4.1 Typical Number of Cars or Intermodal Units by Train Service Type

Type of Train Service	Eastern Railroads	Western Railroads
Auto	57.0	63.9
Bulk	86.0	112.4
General Merchandise	82.0	80.7
Intermodal (TOFC/COFC count)	110.7	164.3

Source: Class I railroad data.

## Today's Rail Capacity

Total Port On-Dock Ramp Capacity

- All Yards working 24/7
- 5 year Forecast compared to Capacity
- Balanced Flow East and West bound

**Support Yard Capacity** 

1:1 Support track to Loading

**Tideflats Capacity** 

- Short line Crews and Engines
- Ability of Partners/ Connectors meet Productivity Goals
- Open Running Track

## **Operational Improvements**

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## Today's Rail Capacity

Port Access Capacity (The Connection to the Outside World) Total train slots per day through this connector

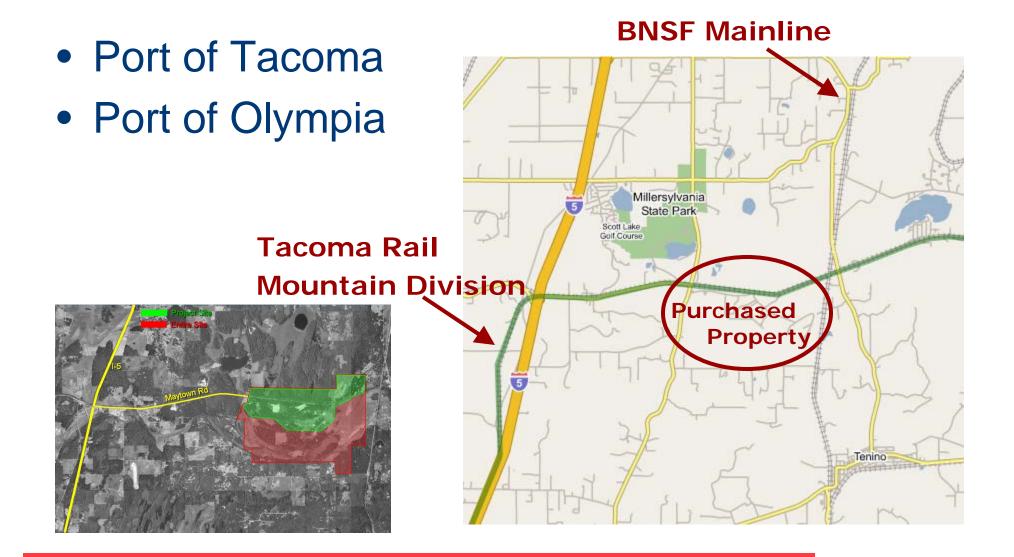
#### Mainline Capacity

- Windows/ Spacing of Trains on to the Mainline
- Assets Utilization including Power and Crew
- Lengths of Trains
- Mainline Track Capacity to your Market
- Off-Port Arrival & Departure Tracks
- Length of Sidings

## Off-site Near Port Holding Area



#### Maytown Property



## Challenges

- Demand Continues to Grow
- Growth is uneven year to year
- Infrastructure takes up to 10 years to build
- Who should pay for the infrastructure?
- Who truly benefits from the infrastructure?
- Funding is always an issue

## Capital Investments

#### Capital First Half 2007 Highlights Portla Herminal Improvements Corridor Improvements

#### Sunset Corridor Expansion

- Sunset Double Track
- Terminal Improvements

#### **SPRB** Capacity Additions

- Joint Line Progress
- Central Corridor CTC

#### Maintenance

- · Sunset '07 Season Complete
- I-5 Tunnel Project In Process
- Central Corridor In Process

#### **New Locomotives**

18

210 of 300 Units Delivered

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**NS' Corridor Capacity Projects** Philadalahi Dallas Norfolk Southern Railway and its Railroad Operating Subsidiaries NS Trackage & Haulage Rights Meridian Speedway Heartland Corridor I-81 Crescent Corridor

## **Railroad Capacity - Tracks**

- Most track is single track that requires one train to pull over to have another pass
- On Heavy traffic areas there are double tracks so 2 trains can move at once
- US has limited triple tracked areas



#### Track Controls Improve Capacity





Automatic Block Signaling (ABS) is a signal system that controls when a train can advance into the next track block. A block is a section of track with traffic control signals at each end.

**Centralized Traffic Control (CTC)** and **Traffic Control System (TCS)** are systems that use electrical circuits in the tracks to monitor the location of trains, allowing railroad dispatchers to control train movements from a remote location, typically a central dispatching office.





Merchandise/carload trains and bulk coal and grain trains.

These trains tend to haul heavier, bulkier commodities such as coal, grain, gravel, and phosphates, and operate at slower speeds.





Intermodal trains and multilevel auto carriers hauling assembled automobiles.

These trains tend to operate at higher speeds because they are lighter than merchandise and bulk trains and are run to more exacting schedules.

## Group 3



Passenger trains such as Amtrak's long distance trains and local commuter rail trains. Passenger trains operate at high speeds and on fixed schedules, similar to the speeds and schedules of intermodal trains.

They require close control to ensure safe operation and stopping distances, especially when operating along corridors carrying merchandise trains or a mix of merchandise and intermodal trains. By Law Passenger Trains have priority over all other Rail

### Example of Service Types

#### Four service products define CSX's business. Characteristics Service 2006 Revenue Tighter Expedited Fastest scheduled service Expedited directly integrated into customers' supply chain Reliability (span) Premium Train service coordinated Premium with handoffs Pipeline Multiple handlings of cars, Carload Carload including pick-up/delivery Wider Unit train service focuses Pipeline Slower ---- Transit Time ---- Faster on inventory stockpiles 33

## Level of Service

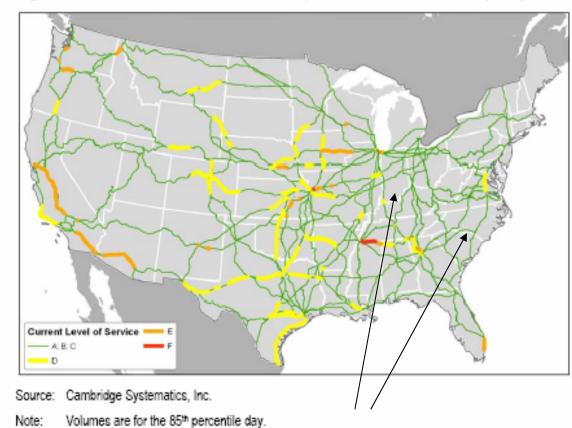
#### Table 4.3 Volume-to-Capacity Ratios and Level of Service (LOS) Grades

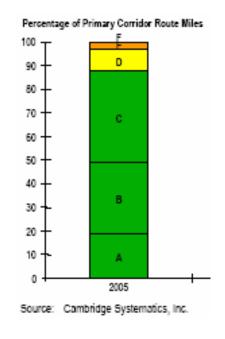
LOS Grade	Description		Volume/Capacity Ratio
А	Below Capacity	Low to moderate train flows with capacity to accommodate maintenance and recover from incidents	0.0 to 0.2
В			0.2 to 0.4
С			0.4 to 0.7
D	Near Capacity	Heavy train flow with moderate capacity to accommodate maintenance and recover from incidents	0.7 to 0.8
E	At Capacity	Very heavy train flow with very limited capacity to accommo- date maintenance and recover from incidents	0.8 to 1.0
F	Above Capacity	Unstable flows; service break- down conditions	> 1.00

Source: Cambridge Systematics, Inc.

# Capacity Today

#### Figure 4.4 Current Train Volumes Compared to Current Train Capacity





Red indicates Only 2 areas (108 miles) over capacity

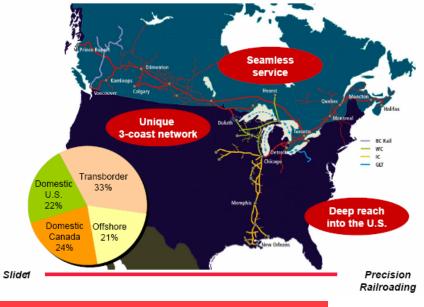
### **Joint Services**



### **New Ports**

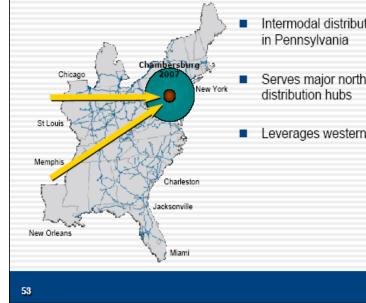






### **New Facilities and Partnerships**

#### Chambersburg Intermodal terminal opens

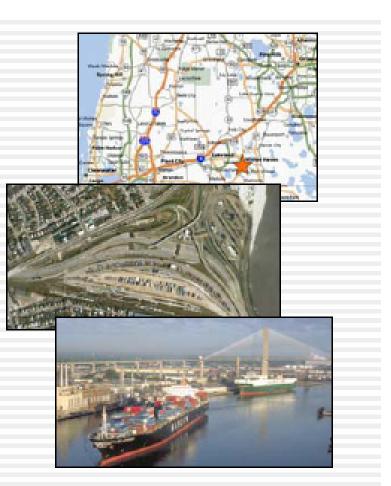


- Intermodal distribution center
- Serves major northeast
- Leverages western gateways

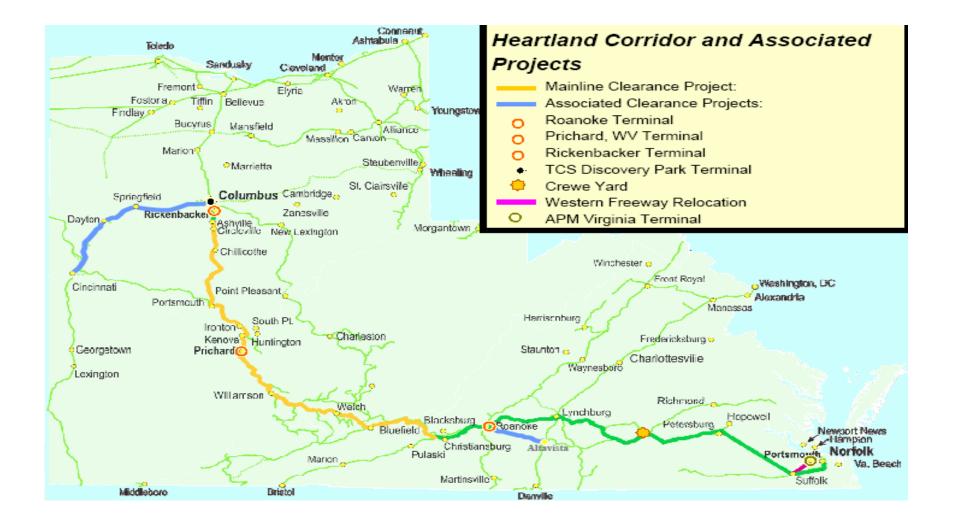


### New Public Private Partnerships

- Central Florida Partnership
   Florida Department of
  - Transportation
- New England Partnership
  - Commonwealth of Massachusetts
- National Gateway Initiative
   Federal DOT and several states



### **Improved Corridors**



# **Clearing of Tunnels**

#### The Heartland Corridor Project Requires "Clearing" 28 Tunnels



## New Corridors



#### Summary

- Freight demand growing rapidly; more rail infrastructure needed
- More rail infrastructure would produce substantial public benefits
- Both public and private investment will be required to meet future rail infrastructure needs
- Federal tax incentives being requested from the Railroads

#### Questions?



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