

Focus on Freight– February 2010

A Freight Newsletter for the National Capital Region



Freight Program Update

The next Freight Subcommittee meeting will be held Thursday, March 11, 2010 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. at the MWCOCG offices, Room 4&5. The meeting agenda will be posted and mailed with the March newsletter. View previous meeting summaries at [TPB Freight Documents](#). Staff will also discuss with attendees our current efforts toward a National Capital Region Freight Plan.

TIGER Freight Rail Awards

The Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recover (TIGER) grants, a part of the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act (Recovery Act) has announced \$1.5 billion in total awards. Both Class 1 railroads that operate within the National Capital Region received significant funding, however, neither received funds directed toward specific projects in the National Capital Region. The CSX National Gateway and the Norfolk Southern Crescent

Corridor will continue to improve projects in the National Capital Region with their own funds, allocated state funds, and future solicitations for federal funding.

The TPB TIGER application for Priority Bus Transit also won partial TIGER funding, with a focus on bus

improvements. Three portions of the project were awarded a total of \$58,838,000. The TPB gave support to both the CSX and Norfolk Southern projects with the caveat that the National Capital Region has other regional priorities for the TIGER grant.

CSX and NS TIGER Freight Rail Awards				
Location	State	CSX	NS	Description
Birmingham	AL		\$52,500,000	NS Crescent Corridor Intermodal Facility
Several	OH	\$30,000,000		Freight rail double-stack clearance
Several	PA	\$35,000,000		Freight rail double-stack clearance
Memphis	TN		\$52,500,000	NS Crescent Corridor Intermodal Facility
Several	WV	\$33,000,000		Freight rail double-stack clearance
TOTAL		\$98,000,000	\$105,000,000	

CSCMP Meeting

The National Capital Chapter of the **Council of Supply Chain Management Professionals** will hold its next Roundtable meeting Friday, March 12, 2010. Old Ebbitt's Grill, 7:45 to 9:30 a.m. Presentation: John Jordon, Vice President Sales, RFID Solution, Inc., "How RFID is Driving Efficiencies in Aerospace"

Click [CSCMP Meeting Details](#) for more information.

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