

# TPB Focus on Freight

## A Monthly Newsletter

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### TPB Freight Program

- **TPB Freight Subcommittee** The next TPB Freight Subcommittee meeting will be held on August 9th at 9am in Room 1, to finalize the Top 10 Freight Project list and to provide an update on the TPB Freight Subcommittee on the Freight Around the Region Project. [TPB Freight Web Site](#)
- **Top 10 Highlighted Freight Projects.** Staff is working with state DOTs, member jurisdictions, and Class 1 railroads CSX and Norfolk Southern, to update the 2011 Top 10 Highlighted Freight Projects. Please refer to the following links:  
[Top 10-Memo to Transportation Planning Board on the 2011 Top 10 Highlight Freight Projects, \(Reference Document\)](#)
- **Freight Around the Region Project.** TPB freight staff are continuing to meet with jurisdictions and collect regional freight story data.

### TRB Summer Meeting of Freight Groups

About 20 freight and planning committees met at the TRB Summer Meeting in Washington DC, July 17-19. The TRB Urban Freight Committee continued the practitioner-researcher dialogue. A continuation of the practitioner-researcher discussion will take place in a session at the 5th Annual METTRANS Urban Freight Conference in October. Many TRB Urban Freight Committee members noted they would be attending the METTRANS Conference.



### 2013 I-NUF

5th METTRANS International Urban Freight Conference  
October 8-10, 2013 The Westin Long Beach Hotel, CA

### CSCMP Annual State of Logistics Report

The Council of Supply Chain Management Professionals (CSCMP) released the [24th Annual "State of Logistics Report"](#) at a press conference in Washington D.C. on Wednesday, June 19, 2013.



### National Strategic Freight Plan

Jack Wells, chief economist at the U.S. Department of Transportation, details the agency's progress on a National Strategic Freight Plan. Congress last year ordered the department to craft a strategic freight plan by 2015, and the DOT is working with states and with private industry to pull the plan together. A DOT National Freight Advisory Committee began meeting in June and will advise the DOT on the National Strategic Freight Plan. [See full interview at Journal of Commerce link.](#)



### Upcoming Freight Events:

- [AASHTO-FHWA Freight Partnership V](#) July 30-August 2
- [METTRANS 5th Annual Urban Freight Conference, October 8-10](#)
- [AMPO Annual Conference, October 22-25](#)
- Council of Supply Chain Management Professionals, [National Capital Area Roundtable](#) and [Baltimore Roundtable](#) events posted.

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