

Transportation Planning Board

Regional Highlighted Freight Projects

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Presentation Overview

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Regional Freight Context

- *Enhancing Considerations of Freight in Regional Transportation Planning*, May 2007
- TPB Hired Freight Staff, November 2007
- Launched Freight Subcommittee, April 2008
 - Bi-monthly meetings/facility tours
 - *National Capital Region Freight Plan*, July 2010
 - Freight Project Database
 - Highlighted List of Freight Transportation Projects, March 2011

Objectives

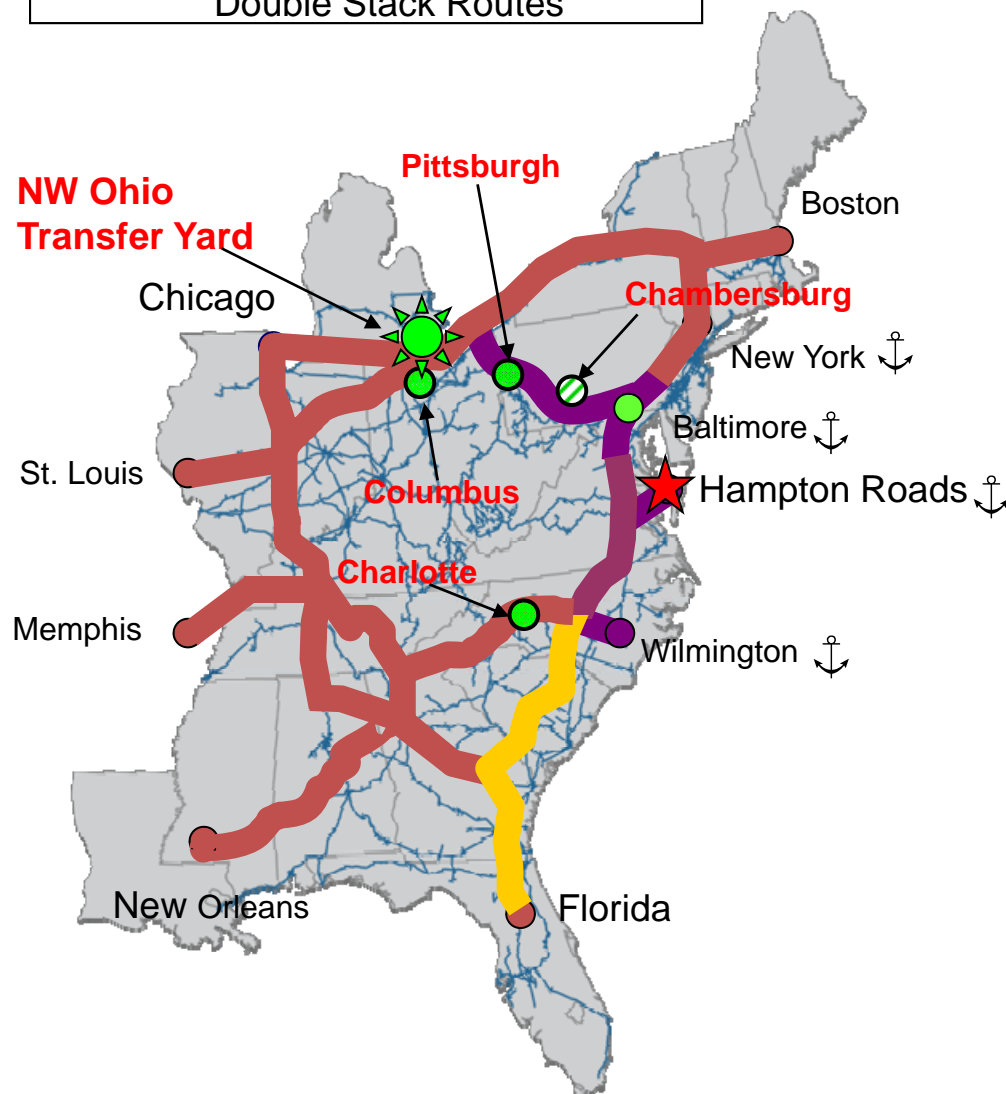
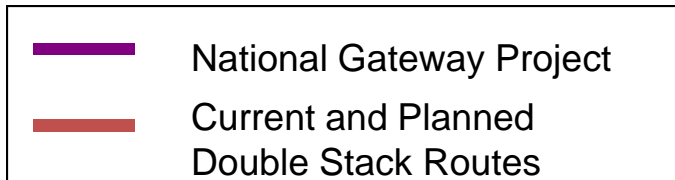
- To raise the profile/awareness of freight issues
- To have a short list of identified regional corridors and projects important to freight movement in the region
- To ensure freight is considered in the Regional Priorities Scoping Process
- To have a source of highlighted corridors/projects as new funding opportunities come up

Summary of Projects

FREIGHT TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS-SUMMARY TABLE			
#	Railroad/Jurisdiction	Long-Term	Short-Term
Rail			
1	CSX	CSX National Gateway Corridor	CSX Virginia Avenue Tunnel
2	Norfolk Southern	NS Crescent Corridor	NS 5.8 Mile B-Line Expansion
Highway			
3	DC	Weigh Station within DC Boundaries	Uniform Commercial Curbside Loading Zone Program
4	MD	Relieve congestion along I-95/I-495 from Woodrow Wilson Bridge to Howard County Boundary	I-70 Phase 4
5	VA	Relieve congestion along I-95 from Prince William County Southern Boundary to MD Boundary	I-66 and I-495 Access Improvements

*Note: Please read Project Description sheets on the following pages for more project detail.

CSX



Long-Term: National Gateway Project

- 61 projects in 6 states
- 6 new/enhanced terminals (1 near Balt)
- Double stack between Mid-Atlantic and Midwestern markets
- Total cost: \$842M

Short-Term: Virginia Avenue Tunnel

- Update antiquated tunnel (100+ yr)
- Double-stack and double-track
- Minimize passenger train delays
- Total cost: \$160M



Norfolk Southern



Long-Term: Crescent Corridor Project
-2,500 mile network between New Jersey and New Orleans
-11 new/enhanced terminals
-Total cost: \$2.5 Billion

Short-Term: 5.8 Mile B-Line Expansion
-Second main line from Manassas to Balls Ford Road
-Relieve critical chokepoint
-Total cost: \$25M-\$35M estimate

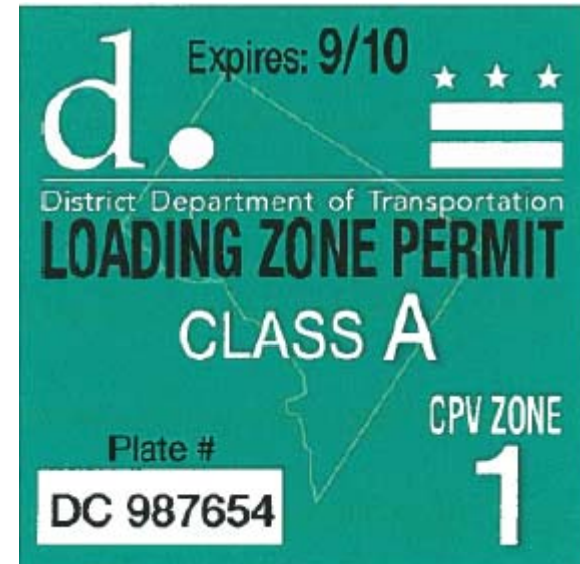


District of Columbia



Long-Term: Weigh Station

- Preserve physical condition of roads by applying size and weight standards and technologies along high volume truck routes
- Two-way weigh station within District
- Comprehensive approach to enforcement of truck traffic throughout the District
- Total cost: \$8M (not including land acquisition)



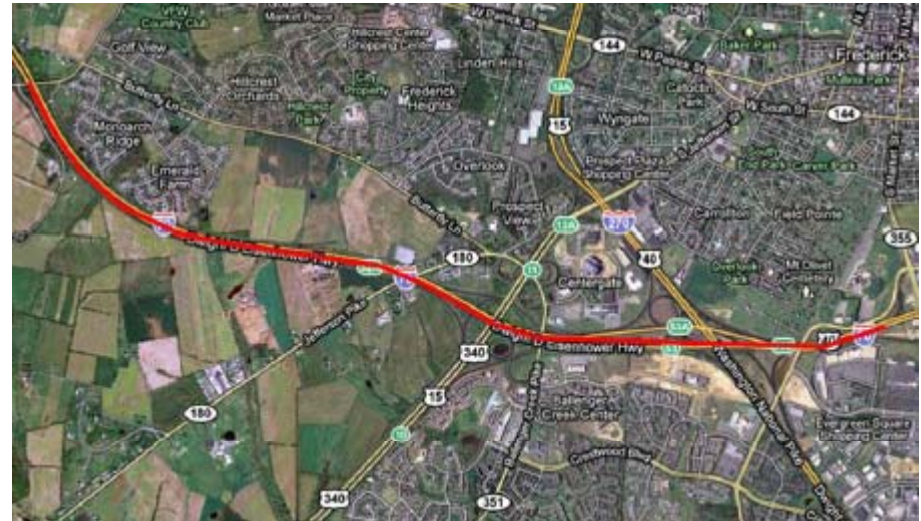
Short-Term: Commercial Curbside Loading Zone Program

- Uniform curb markings, clarity for commercial vehicles
- Proper enforcement
- Total cost: \$300K annually

Maryland

Long-Term: I-95 from Woodrow Wilson Bridge to Howard County Boundary

- Relieve congestion, provide access to planned development
- Increase travel time reliabilities
- Improve I-95/I-495 bottleneck
- I-95 between Washington D.C. and Baltimore is ranked #3 for top MD Annual Average Daily Truck Traffic
- I-95/I-495 in Prince George's County is ranked #5 for top MD Annual Average Daily Truck Traffic
- Total cost: \$3B-\$5B



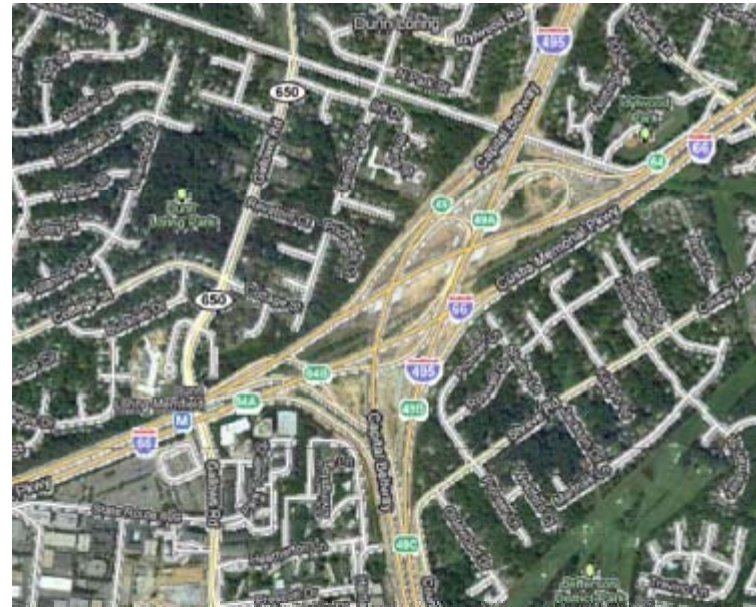
Short-Term: I-70 Phase 4

- Increase corridor capacity on route with high truck percentages
- Total cost: \$100M-\$120M

Virginia

Long-Term: I-95 from Prince William County Southern Boundary to MD Boundary

- Relieve congestion
- Critical for delivery of goods to consumers in subregion, as well as national network
- Total cost: Unknown



Short-Term: I-66 and I-495 Access Improvements

- Relocate existing general purpose ramp so as to have the exit ramp merge with I-495 on the right side instead of the left side
- Relieve major bottleneck in the region
- All trucks must exit I-66 at this junction
- Total cost: \$106.7M

Panelists

- John Horsley
 - Executive Director, American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials
- Karen Rae
 - Deputy Administrator, Federal Railroad Administration
- Anne Ferro
 - Administrator, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

Audience Questions

Thank You

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