Presentation to the

National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board Freight Subcommittee

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Baltimore-Washington Rail Intermodal Facility

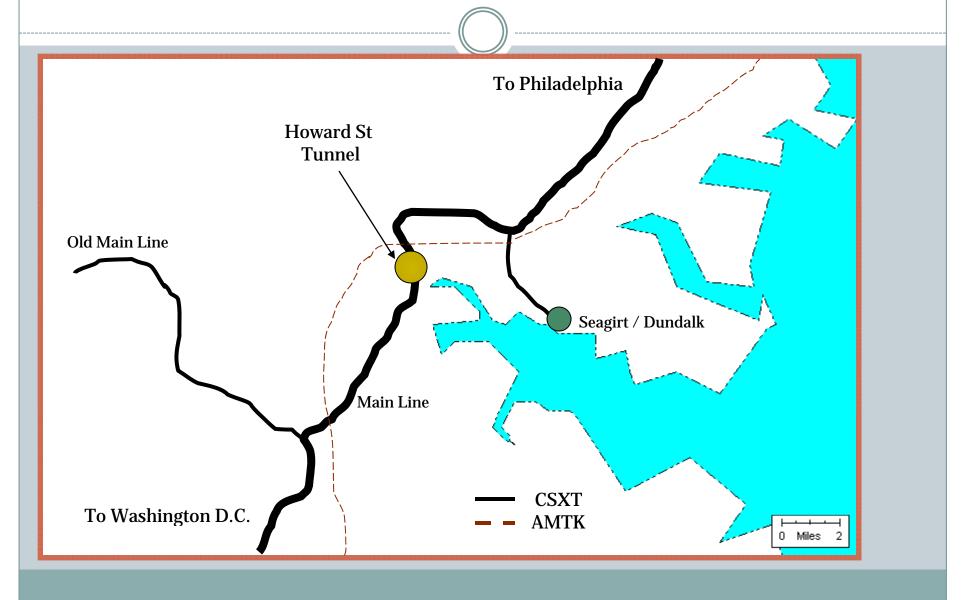


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PRESENTATION OVERVIEW

- New Rail Intermodal Facility in Maryland
- Site Selection/NEPA Process
- Next Steps

CSX Intermodal Network in Baltimore Area



Why Does Maryland Need a New Intermodal Facility?

- Allows the State to meet growing freight demands
- Without a new intermodal facility, Maryland cannot access the double-stack network
 - Like a highway with no exit ramps
- Creates economic growth and jobs
- Supports planned expansion and growth at the Port of Baltimore



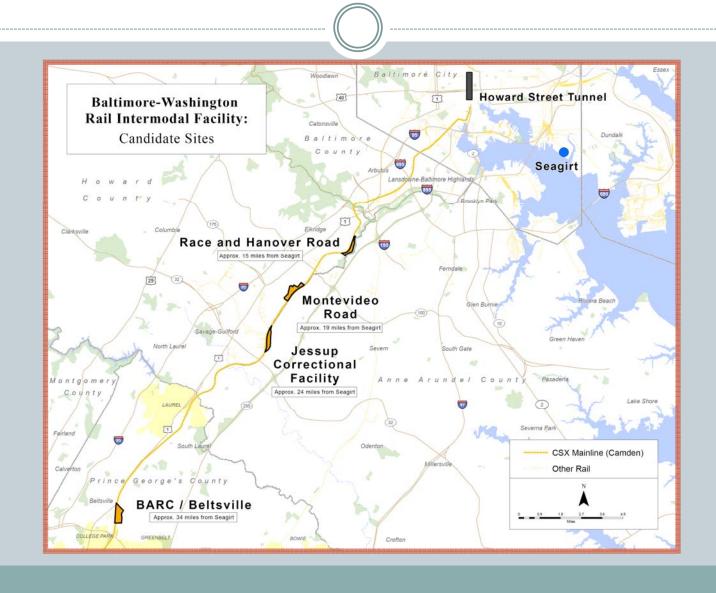
Site Selection/NEPA Process

- CSX and MDOT are working together to identify a site for the new intermodal facility
- The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) will govern the site selection process
 - Environmental impacts to be studied and weighed against the project's purpose and need.
- With guidance from the Federal Railroad Administration and Federal Highway Administration, CSX and MDOT developed functional criteria to screen and identify candidate sites

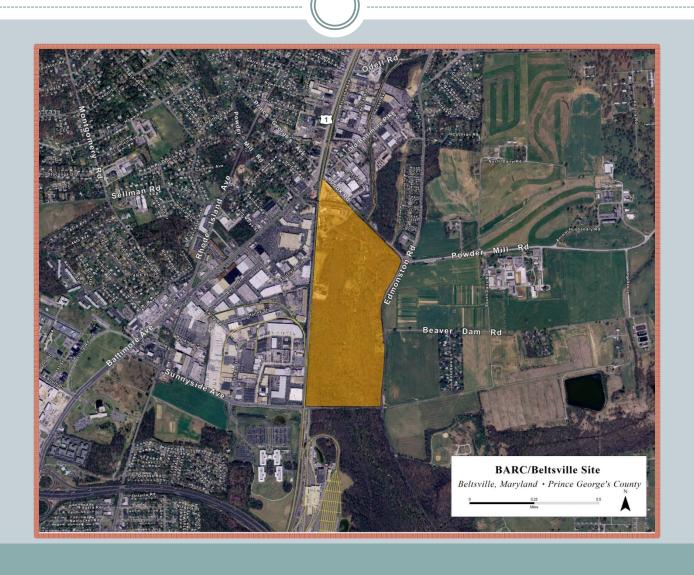
Functional Criteria

- Located South of the Howard Street Tunnel
- At least 70 Contiguous Acres of Usable Land for the Facility
- Proximity and Accessibility to a Major Highway
- Required Shape and Configuration
- Located Adjacent to the CSX Mainline (Camden Line)
 - In order for a candidate site to be retained for further consideration, it must meet all five functional criteria
 - Based on the initial screening, four candidate sites were identified in:
 - Beltsville (Prince George's County)
 - Hanover (Howard County)
 - Jessup (Anne Arundel County)
 - Montevideo (Howard County)

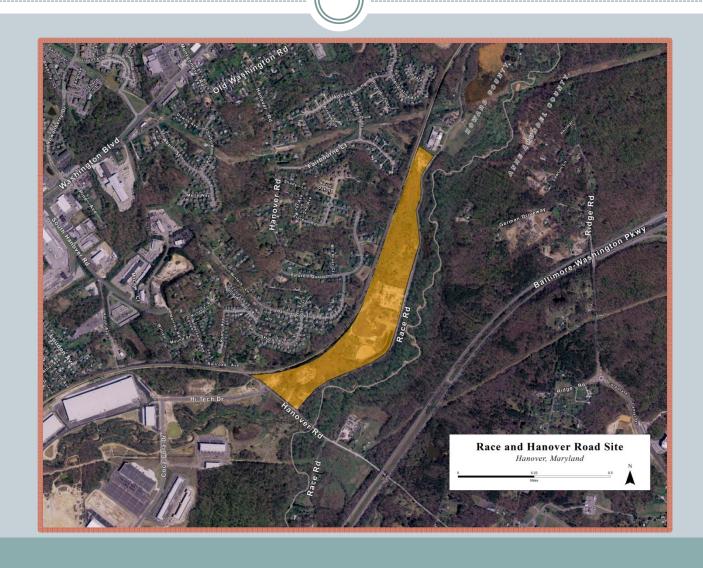
Four Candidate Sites



Beltsville Site



Hanover Site



Jessup Site



Montevideo Site



Environmental and Community Considerations

	BARC/Beltsville Site	Jessup Correctional Facility	Montevideo Road	Race and Hanover Roa
FUNCTIONAL CRITERIA				
South of Howard St Tunnel	Υ	Y	Υ	Y
70+ Contiguous Acres in Size	Υ	Y	Υ	Υ
Proximity to Major Highway	Υ	Y	Υ	Υ
Configuration/Shape	Υ	Υ	Υ	Y
Adjacent to CSX Mainline	Υ	Υ	Υ	Y
ENVIRONMENTAL AND COMMUNITY CONSIDER	ATIONS			
Land Use and Community Facilities Environmental Justice (Minority and Low-Income Communities) Regional/Local Traffic and Transportation Air Quality Noise and Vibration Energy Streams and Other Water Bodies Wild and Scenic Rivers Groundwater, Aquifiers, Wells Stormwater Runoff Wetlands Floodplains Rare, Threatened and Endangered Species Forests Coastal Zone Management and Chesapeake Bay Critical Areas Parklands Visual and Aesthetics Historic and Archaeological Resources Soils, Geology, Farmland Hazardous Materialas Indirect and Cumulative Effects Section 4(f) Resources (e.g. Historic Sites and Public Parks)		Pen	ding	

Commitment to Public Engagement

- MDOT and CSX are committed to engaging the public throughout the development of this project.
- Since the announcement of the four candidate sites, MDOT and CSX have used the following methods of public outreach.
 - Website
 - Postcard
 - Newsletter
 - Public Workshops
 - Email Mailing List
 - Project Email Address and Phone Number

NEXT STEPS



CONCLUSION

- Learn More and Stay Informed
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• Questions?