



## *Freight Implications of MAP-21*



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# MAP-21

## Freight Provisions

- MAP-21 establishes a multimodal National Freight Policy.
- Calls for the establishment of a National Freight Network.
- Calls for development of a National Freight Strategic Plan, which will be done by the recently announced Freight Policy Council.
- States are encouraged to form Freight Advisory Committees to provide ongoing input on freight issues.
- Freight Advisory Committees will also assist in development in State Freight Plans.
- Projects of National and Regional Significance (PNRS) program, a potential funding source for freight-related projects, will continue to fund projects that provide long-term congestion relief and safety improvements.
- Railroad Rehabilitation and Improvement Financing (RRIF) program modified to allow applicants to use future dedicated revenues or income as collateral to help secure an RRIF loan.



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- Provides incentives to use federal funds for freight improvements (up to 95% for projects on Interstate system; 90% for other projects).
- Some of the projects that would be eligible include:
  - Construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, operational improvements directly relating to improving freight movement;
  - Intelligent transportation system and other technology to improve the flow of freight;
  - Efforts to reduce the environmental impact of freight movement;
  - Railway-highway grade separation;
  - Truck-only lanes; and
  - Improvements to freight intermodal connectors and truck bottlenecks.

# Next Steps

- Federal DOT establishes Freight Council
- Federal DOT Submits National Freight System Map to Congress by October, 2013 (27,000 miles urban and 3,000 miles rural)
- MAP 21 funding authorization expires October 1, 2014
- Re-establish \$2b for freight transportation infrastructure for FY 15
- Funding was taken out of MAP 21 by House members of Conference Committee and is key goal for national freight stakeholders to increase House member awareness of freight benefits

## More Information

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