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Eight County Freight Plan

East Central Intergovernmental Association & Blackhawk Hills Regional Council

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Key Issues and Outcomes for the Eight County Freight Plan

Abbreviated Work Plan

Questions & Discussion

Next Steps – Stakeholder Outreach



Multimodal Freight Transportation System

A Conduit for Economic Activity





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Data validation in process

Freight Mobility Truck Trip Ends and Congested Locations (Bottlenecks)





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Source: ATRI FPM Program

Economic Opportunity Freight-Dependent Employment



Project Understanding

• **Project Motivations**

- Inconsistent data across freight modes
- Understand link between freight transportation system and local economy
- Be aware freight system needs and opportunities
- Incorporate freight in local transportation planning decisions
- Project Objective

To develop a better understanding of the multimodal freight system in the tristate region and to use this information to better inform policy and programming decisions in the region.



Open Discussion

- What are the other motivations for this plan?

What other outcomes are desired by stakeholders?



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Work Plan Overview





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Each meeting provides an opportunity for your input!

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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Project Inception														
Task 0.1 - Kick-Off Meeting														
Task 0.2 - Literature Review and Initial Data Collection														
Task 0.3 - Project Management & revise Work Plan, as needed														
Task 1 - Data Collection and Inventory														
Task 1.1 - Physical Profile														
Task 1.2 - Operational Profile														
Task 1.3 - Stakeholder Consultations & 6 Council Meetings														
Task 2 - Needs Assessment and Analysis														
Task 2.1 - Freight System Performance Measures														
Task 2.2 - Existing and Future Commodity Flow Assessment														
Task 2.3 - Freight Modal Profiles and Needs Assessment Report														
Task 3 - Study Recommendations														
Task 3.1 - Freight System Infrastructure Projects														
Task 3.2 - Project Evaluation and Prioritization														
Task 3.3 - Supporting Freight System Strategies														
Task 4 - Reporting														
Task 4.1 - Draft Final Report														
Task 4.2 - Final Report														



Major Task Duration

Work Activity

Meeting



Task 1 – Data Collection and Inventory

Key Questions:

- What are the Study Area's key freight assets and corridors?
- How are these assets used today?
- What are the Study Area's major freight generators/businesses?
- What are the Study Area's strengths, weaknesses, threats and opportunities?



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Commodity Flow Data "Dashboard" - Example



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Real-Time Data: 1 Day of ECIA Truck Flows





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Source: ATRI FPM Program

Real-Time Data: 5 Days of ECIA Truck Flows





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Stakeholder Outreach

Public Agencies

- Internalize institutional knowledge
- Understand needs
- Develop buy-in for implementation

Private Sector

- Identify/validate needs and opportunities
- Confirm recommendations
- Develop buy-in for implementation

Individuals

Public awareness



Task 2 – Needs Assessment and Analysis

Key Questions:

- What is transported on the freight system today? In the future?
- What are the performance requirements? Does the system meet them?
- Where are the Study Area's key freight system bottlenecks and other needs?





Favors lowest transportation cost, reliability (integrity)





Favors lowest transportation cost





Transportation needs are supply chain specific





Condition and Performance of System - Example

Physical condition & performance



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Perceived condition & performance



Task 3 – Study Recommendations

Key Questions:

- What are the infrastructure investment needs? How should these be prioritized?
- How do these needs align with established short and long-range plans?
- What are the other needs (e.g., partnerships, policies and programs)?



From Action to Implementation



Task 4 – Reporting

Key Questions:

 What information and format will best convey freight needs to policymakers and stakeholders?





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Open Discussion

– What are you most excited about related to this plan?

– What else should we consider?



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Answer Questions

Get your Input



Stakeholder Input in the Freight Plan

Stakeholder Input is Critical to Freight Planning

- Triangulates data
- Adds context
- Tailors the plan to the region

Consultation Guide is one Avenue for Stakeholder Input



Resources

Consultation Guide

Map of the Study Area

Cheat Sheet

Excel Spreadsheet



Q1: How does your company use the transportation system?

- Modal Split provides context and industry insight
- Important Routes helps identify key freight corridors or facilities

Q2: Briefly, describe your company's supply chain.

- Commodities understand of what is used (inputs) and what is produced (outputs)
- Flows understand flows of freight to and from company
- Proximity to end market understand business location decision



Q3: Most important factor for transportation decisions and why? Is it the same for inbound vs. outbound shipments?

• Transportation Needs – understand industry needs

Q4: Changing supply chains in the last decade, and trends over the next decade?

 Transportation Trends – understand current and emerging trends, needs and issues

Q5: Three most significant transportation issues? How do these impact the competitiveness of your business?

 Identify Issues – identify regional transportation issues and business context



Q6: Top three transportation improvements to improve your business's competitiveness, and how would these help?

 Identify Solutions – identify the solutions to the transportation issues identified and business context

Bonus: What advice would you offer to the local planning agencies as they develops this regional Freight Plan?

 Open opportunity to provide additional input or cover something that didn't come up in the questions

Other Notes

 Interviewer to identify overall themes in the discussion for added emphasis beyond what is recorded

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Questions/Input

Questions

- Does the consultation guide make sense?
- Will the consultation guide work?
- What issues or concerns have you heard from businesses in past years?



Questions and Discussion



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