

MINNESOTA FREIGHT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

STRATEGIC PLANNING Ad Hoc Working Group

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1.

Mission and Objectives Statement

The Minnesota Freight Advisory Committee (MFAC) provides a forum for the exchange of ideas and addressing of issues between Mn/DOT and the private sector to develop and promote a safe, reliable, efficient and environmentally system for the state responsible freight transportation.

MFAC objectives are to:

- To ensure freight transportation needs are addressed in planning, investment and operation of Minnesota's transportation system.
- To establish guidelines to measure and manage the state's freight transportation needs.
- To provide input and direction to Mn/DOT on freight transportation policies, needs and issues.
- To provide input to program and research areas for Mn/DOT and Center for Transportation Studies (CTS) follow-up.
- To represent the needs of freight transportation to the public, elected officials, and other public agencies and organizations.

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Minnesota Freight Advisory Committee (MFAC)

Background and History

Description

The Minnesota Freight Advisory Committee was established in 1998 to ensure the needs of freight are addressed in planning, research, investment and operations of Minnesota's transportation system; establish guidelines to measure and manage the State's freight transportation needs; and to represent the needs and requirements of freight transportation to the public, elected officials and other public entities. The committee consists of representatives from private sector shippers and carriers, industry associations, academia and economic development agencies. The MFAC is designed to be "a partnership between government and business to exchange ideas, recommend policy and actions that promote safety, productivity and sustainable freight transportation systems in Minnesota" and to ensure the needs of freight are addressed in planning, research, investment and operations of Minnesota's transportation system.

Motivation

Minnesota's freight planning activities, including the establishment of the Freight Advisory Committee, were driven by MnDOT's desire to better understand freight flows within the State and their relationship to economic competitiveness. The MnDOT freight program grew out of ISTEAs, which provided some funding for intermodal programs. However, the State's freight planning program – and its activities – were driven by both internal and external champions. The Minnesota Freight Advisory Committee (MFAC) was created by the vision established by the now-former MnDOT Commissioner at a Transportation Club Logistics Forum in April 1998. In July 1998, approval for the committee's make up and structure was approved by the Freight Investment Committee, an internal policy committee comprised of senior MnDOT managers, and chaired by the Deputy Commissioner/Chief Engineer. At the same time, the freight program's external champions, led by the State Motor Carrier Association and the Chamber of Commerce, were also pushing the State to address freight transportation issues. Prior to the establishment of the Committee, the relationship of the State DOT and the private sector freight industry was viewed by some to be somewhat adversarial. With success of the MFAC, however, the DOT has also undertaken an advocacy role for the freight interests and has realized that private sector freight community is as much of a DOT customer as the motoring public.

What Has the Committee Accomplished?

The Minnesota Freight Advisory Committee has been an important forum for public-private information sharing, meeting quarterly since 1998. The group has also taken an active role in the State's freight planning efforts.

A set of freight performance measures was recommended by the committee in 1999 to help MnDOT evaluate the success of the State's freight transportation system. These measures, which measure time/directness (travel time); safety; infrastructure condition; access/level of service; and socioeconomic effects were provided to MnDOT for inclusion in existing performance measurement tools. Selected freight performance measures were included in "Framework for Transportation Policies and Measures" section of MnDOT's most recent Statewide Transportation Plan.

The Freight Advisory Committee also spearheaded the development of the Minnesota Freight Facilities database, an inventory of all freight facilities within the State. Freight facilities described in the database include facilities from which freight is either originated, terminated, transferred and/or stored, such as lake and river terminals, airfreight terminals, rail/truck terminals, pipeline terminals, and truck terminals. Facilities for manufacturing, retail, warehouse, wholesale/distribution, and grain elevators are also included. Specific information provided by the database includes physical location, contacts, capacity and production, major commodities, traffic, sales, and workforce size. In addition, additional pieces of information that are specific to certain facility types, such as runway length and material at airfreight terminals, are also being gathered. This database is being used by MnDOT to support freight planning efforts, commodity flow modeling efforts, and corridor studies as well as to evaluate freight infrastructure needs throughout the State.

Finally, the group has helped raise the profile of freight issues within the State and has effectively communicated to lawmakers the importance of freight to the State and advocated for increased funding for freight projects with the State legislature.

Critical Success Factors

There are several important factors to the success of the MFAC, including:

High-Level Champion – The key element in successfully reaching out to the private sector is a high-level champion. MnDOT's champions encouraged the use of freight planning efforts as a way to:

- Better manage highway operations (through diversion of truck freight to other modes);

- Be more responsive to customers, particularly the business community; and
- Enhance statewide economic competitiveness.

Input into the Planning and Investment Process – The Minnesota Freight Advisory Committee was more than just a forum for discussing freight issues and concerns. Committee members were asked to take an active role in developing tools and recommendations with which to enhance the State’s freight planning and investment program. Providing the private sector freight community with the opportunity to become actively involved in and influence a state’s freight planning and investment program can build support for statewide freight planning efforts and encourage long-term private sector participation.

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MINNESOTA FREIGHT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

(MFAC)

MEETING AGENDA

October 24, 2014, 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

McNamara Alumni Center

Maroon and Gold Room

200 Oak Street, SE, Minneapolis, MN

- 8:00 a.m. **Registration and Buffet Breakfast**
- 8:30 **Welcome and Introductions**
Bill Goins, Minnesota Freight Advisory Committee President
- 8:45 **Minnesota Statewide Freight Plan Overview and Interactive Discussion**
Erika Witzke, Cambridge Systematics, Inc.

- 10:15 **Break**
- 10:30 **Minnesota Statewide Rail Plan Overview and Feedback**
Dave Christianson, MnDOT
- 11:00 **Wrap-up**

MINNESOTA FREIGHT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (MFAC)

MEETING Minutes

October 24, 2014, 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

**McNamara Alumni Center
Maroon and Gold Room
200 Oak Street, SE, Minneapolis, MN**

Attendees:

Gina Baas, Center for Transportation Studies; Jim Barton, Metro Council, Retired; Alyssa Chiumento, Humphrey School of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota Student; Dave Christianson, MnDOT; Peter Dahlberg, MnDOT; Philip Deeney, Cargill Inc.; Frank Douma, Humphrey School of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota; Ronald Dvorak, Lake Superior Warehousing; Steven Elmer, Metropolitan Council; Parker Evans, Humphrey School of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota; Andrew Foell, University of Minnesota Graduate Student; Bill Gardner, MnDOT; Bill Goins, FedEx Worldwide Services; Bobbi Gollnik, Cambridge Systematics; Hannah Grune, Center for Transportation Studies; Nii-Obilite Harper, MnDOT; Bruce Holdhusen, MnDOT; Hilary Holmes, City of Saint Paul; Jerome Johnson, JMJ Strategic Rail Consulting; Janna King, Economic Development Services, Inc.; Donna Koren, MnDOT; Wendy Meadley, NAHSRC; Andy Mielke, SRF Consulting Group; Lee Munnich, Humphrey School of Public

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Welcome and Introductions:

- Bill Goins welcomed everyone to the meeting and led introductions.
- Bill Gardner gave an update on MnDOT's current freight highlights. Gardner noted that the governor's office has been very engaged with freight issues recently, giving MnDOT an opportunity to highlight the importance of freight and rail issues in Minnesota. MnDOT has been focusing on transportation and how to have a better long-term transportation funding solution, primarily with infrastructure. They want to ensure they are adequately addressing regulatory issues and how the system operates. MnDOT is trying to capture many of these issues in the new multimodal Freight Plan.

Minnesota Statewide Freight Plan Overview and Interactive Discussion – Erika Witzke, Cambridge Systematics

- Erika Witzke gave a presentation outlining the background, schedule, and objectives of the new Minnesota Statewide Freight Plan. She noted that the last Freight Plan was created in 2005 and is due for an update. The new plan will integrate the numerous regional studies that MnDOT has undertaken over the years in addition to incorporating feedback and ideas from freight stakeholders throughout the state. The goal is for the new Freight Plan to address issues faced by both the public and private sectors and to ensure that freight decisions are weighed appropriately in all transportation decisions made throughout the state.
- The new Freight Plan will be built upon five main building blocks. These include:
 - Economic Structure: This will address what drives Minnesota's economy and how competitive it is with other states. It will evaluate how freight-related industries fit into the overall state's economic picture.
 - Industry Logistics Patterns: This topic will address Minnesota's key industries, supply chains, and distribution networks.
 - Commodity/Vehicle Traffic Flows: This building block will examine which commodities – and in what quantities – use the freight system. It will highlight the best modes for these movements and will help ensure that Minnesota has the ability to transport its goods to broader national and international locations.
 - Freight Infrastructure: This will identify Minnesota's key multimodal freight corridors and examine the condition and performance of these corridors. Witzke noted that in the future, the value of goods will grow much faster than

the actual tonnage: there is expected to be a real change in the industry makeup and commodities in Minnesota by 2040.

- Organization/Public Policy: This will explore how MnDOT is organized for freight planning and projects, in addition to examining how the private sector is engaged with these items.
- Attendees broke out into small groups to discuss key questions related to each building block and provide ideas and feedback.
- Work on the new Freight Plan began in June 2014 and is set to be completed in June 2015. There are a number of committees meeting regularly throughout the process, including an Advisory Committee, Technical Team, and Ad-Hoc working groups. Additionally, there are a number of outreach events taking place, including industry and public meetings, that will gauge feedback and ideas. Witzke noted that there will be a number of upcoming first-round open houses that will be held in conjunction with the Minnesota Statewide Rail Plan. These will be held on:
 - 11/5/2014, 5:00-7:00PM – St. Cloud City Hall, St. Cloud, MN
 - 11/6/2014, 5:00-7:00PM – Chippewa Valley Technical College, Eau Claire, WI
 - 11/10/2014, 12:00-2:00PM – State Office Building (Room 5), Twin Cities, MN
 - 11/12/2014, 5:00-7:00PM – Red Wing City Council Chambers 5, Red Wing, MN
 - 11/13/2014, 5:00-7:00PM – Mankato Intergovernmental Center, Mankato, MN
 - 11/17/2014, 5:00-7:00PM – Duluth Depot, Duluth, MN
 - 12/5/2014 – Freight Summit, Bloomington, MNAdditional dates will be forthcoming.
- Witzke also encouraged the group to give feedback on the plan through the online survey found at <https://mnfreightplan.metroquest.com/>.

Minnesota Statewide Rail Plan Overview and Feedback – Dave Christianson, MnDOT

- Dave Christianson gave a presentation outlining the background and overview of the updated Minnesota Statewide Rail Plan. Christianson noted that Governor Dayton is very involved and interested in freight rail, largely because of the high volumes of trains passing through the Twin Cities each day carrying crude oil from the Bakken formation in North Dakota. The last Rail Plan was created in 2010. The new updates will comply with updates in state and federal legislation, address new trends, investigate funding methods, continue to promote safety, and will update priorities and project lists. One overarching goal of the updated Rail Plan will be to develop a balanced multimodal freight system. Some newer issues the Rail Plan will need to address include increases in traffic, record crop harvests, harsh winter weather, strained capacity, rail system congestion, and the level of critical supplies like coal. In coming months, the Rail Plan committees will look at Passenger Rail tiered projects, which have become a much larger priority in recent years.
- After his presentation, Christianson hosted a question and answer session from meeting attendees. Questions included:

- What can be done to enhance passenger rail on-time performance?
 - MnDOT is working closely with freight rail to improve time delays along passenger train corridors. Passenger rail projects are looking at improvements that would affect both passenger and freight train timing issues. Additionally, MnDOT is looking at the possibility of another train line to Chicago that would be shorter and more reliable. The challenges to this include funding issues facing Amtrak.
- One of the upcoming Rail Plan meetings is being held in Eau Claire. Are you working with Wisconsin to form the plan?
 - Working with Eau Claire is a natural connection to make with the Rail Plan formation, as lots of traffic moves through the Twin Cities toward them. We've been working with Wisconsin to help form the updated Plan.
- What are future oil freight lines?
 - The top of the list for future oil freight lines is the Moorhead area: the Governor is very interested in approaching the legislature this year and asking for funding for the project. The state will front money for the project so it can begin moving forward without waiting for funds from the federal government.
- Have freight and rail attitudes changed since the 2010 update in terms of their willingness to share their tracks with passenger rail?
 - Christianson felt it was safe to say that they have. Union Pacific sees passenger rail as a line of business they can pursue. Canadian Pacific and Canadian National Railway have experience with high speed rail in Canada that they are looking to implement in the United States.

Christianson repeated the invitation for individuals to attend upcoming open houses and the Freight Summit on December 5th to provide further feedback. He noted that more information about upcoming events and updates could be found at <http://www.dot.state.mn.us/planning/railplan/>

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MEETING AGENDA

March 29, 2013, 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Ramada Plaza Minneapolis

1330 Industrial Blvd. NE, Minneapolis, MN

- 8:00 a.m. **Registration and Buffet Breakfast**
- 8:30 **Welcome and Introductions**
- Ron Have, President, Freightmasters, Inc.
- 8:35 **Update on 2013 Minnesota Legislative Session**
- Scott Peterson, Director, Government Relations, MnDOT
- 8:50 **Commissioner Comments**
- Charlie Zelle, Commissioner, MnDOT
- 9:05 **Freight Modal Trends and Issues**
- John Hausladen, President, Minnesota Trucking Association

- Chip Smith, CEO, Bay and Bay Transportation

- Mark Wegner, President, Twin Cities Western Rail

- Jeff Borling, Director of Industrial/Economic Development, Duluth Seaway Port Authority
- 10:20 **Break**
- 10:35 **Regional Economic Development Discussion**
- Moderator: Philip Barnes, Assistant Director, Office of Policy Analysis

Research and Innovation, MnDOT

Panelists:

- Toby Madden, Regional Economist, Federal Reserve Bank

- Peter Frosch, Director of Strategic Partnerships, Greater MSP
- 11:35 **MnDOT Freight Rail Economic Development Study Overview**
- Libby Ogard, Project Manager, Freight Rail Economic Development Study

11:55 **Meeting Recap**

- Ron Have

**Minnesota Freight Advisory Committee (MFAC) Meeting Mark 29, 2013 – Ramada Minneapolis,
MN**

Meeting Summary

I. Update on 2013 Legislative Session Panel

Scott Peterson, Director, Government Relations, MnDOT

Summary of Scott Peterson’s comments:

Mr. Peterson gave an overview of the 2013 Minnesota Legislative Session. Because the majorities in the House and Senate are both controlled by Democrats, Mr. Peterson said there’s good alignment in Minnesota transportation policy objectives. He reported that Governor Dayton has recommended an increase in the sales tax in the metro to pay for a build out of the metro transit system. This would include at least three additional light rail transit lines and bus rapid transit lines. He explained the changes in county state aid funding, a description of the public private partnership bill, potential changes in tab fees and commercial driver’s license requirements, bonding proposals that were recommended to the Governor, options for local road funding and an overview of bills currently being considered by the legislature.

II. Commissioner Comments

Summary of Commissioner Charlie Zelle’s comments:

Commissioner Zelle told attendees that he was thrilled to be able to help articulate the vision of the future of transportation as multi-modal, multi-purpose and very comprehensive. He said it takes all parts in the transportation system working together to make a great system, and that he appreciates the value of having a transportation system that is up to speed. He said that innovations such as MnPASS lanes help improve the system’s capacity. Commissioner Zelle said that he is honored to be part of Governor Dayton’s administration because the Governor places great value on infrastructure. Commissioner Zelle explained that transportation is the intersection of the public sector and private

sector and that it's essential to be smart about assets. He told attendees he was looking forward to partnering with them to develop strategies for long term prosperity and business growth.

III. Freight Modal Trends and Issues

Mark Wegner, President, Twin Cities Western Rail

Jeff Borling, Director of Industrial/Economic Development, Duluth Seaway Port Authority

Chip Smith, CEO, Bay and Bay Transportation

John Hausladen, President, Minnesota Trucking Association

Summary of Mark Wegner's comments:

Mr. Wegner, representing the railroads of Minnesota, said that the trends in Minnesota freight rails are related to both the oil boom in North Dakota and frac sand mining in Wisconsin, because both bring major traffic through the Minneapolis-St. Paul metro areas. He said that because of this traffic, it's hard to get freight trains in the area. He explained the concept of positive train control, which is a satellite-controlled system that will override the engineer of a train if he fails to obey a signal telling the train to stop or slow down. He said there are many variables to this system but the mandate is required to be completed by 2015. Mr. Wegner also discussed economic regulation on railroads at the federal level and the dependence of freight traffic on freight rails in Minnesota.

Summary of Jeff Borling's comments:

Mr. Borling gave an overview of the industries that the Duluth Seaway Port Authority serves (energy, construction, mining and agricultural) and talked about the role the ports and waterways play in transportation. He said that in 2012, Minnesota shipped and received over 10.5 million products from ports. He mentioned that 61 million net tons of products were shipped and received in 2012 and the DOT has estimated these products to be worth more than 6.7 billion dollars. Mr. Borling explained that much of the port infrastructure is aging and needs to be maintained to continue moving commodities in and out of the state. He said that benefits of water commerce is it uses less energy, reduces environmental degradation, reduces societal disruption, generates less waste disposal, reduces accidents, and tends to be the cheaper mode.

Summary of Chip Smith's comments:

Mr. Smith provided an overview of regional trends and issues in intermodal transportation. Mr. Smith described four intermodal issues. These included access to a class 1 rail network, ease of interchange, equipment availability, and competitiveness. He explained that intermodal growth is on a record pace due to the growing use by motor carriers, the increase us of containerized grain, and growth in demand and volumes for long haul intermodal of truckload freight. Mr. Smith concluded with an overview of the intermodal transportation advantages. Intermodal transportation is gaining momentum for a variety of reasons including: cost savings, environmental benefits, and highway safety results.

Summary of John Hausladen's comments:

Mr. Hausladen provided an overview of the current trends and issues in the trucking industry. Truck freight volumes weakened in late 2012, but the trucking industry may get a small rebound early this year due to the inventory cycle. Mr. Hausladen expects 2013 freight volumes to be similar to 2012. He discussed that trucking supply and demand are getting closer to being in balance, which in the long run, will benefit carriers when freight movement accelerates. Mr. Hausladen noted that the driver shortage

will continue to get worse in 2013 and beyond. Mr. Hausladen concluded with an overview of the federal trucking issues. These include: Hours of service, electronic logs, sleep apnea, compliance, safety, accountability, and transportation funding.

A Question & Answer Session followed the presentations.

IV. Regional Economic Development Discussion

Panel Moderator- Philip Barnes, Assistant Director, MnDOT
Toby Madden, Regional Economist, Federal Reserve Bank
Peter Frosch, Director of Strategic Partnerships, GreaterMSP

Summary of Philip Barnes's comments:

Mr. Barnes explained MnDOT's objective to help further develop economic development of the state. MnDOT wants to enhance economic development and to provide economic efficient and safe goods to and from markets by rail, highway and waterway. Mr. Barnes explained that Commissioner Zelle had charged them with finding new ways to raise capital and new financing techniques, engaging private sectors to figure out how to develop infrastructure projects at the right time and providing projects that facilitate job creation.

Summary of Toby Madden's comments:

Mr. Madden addressed the status of the local economy affecting business and job growth. He described three lessons concerning the current state of the economy. Lesson 1 – there has been economic growth without the creation of new jobs. Lesson 2 – growth has been uneven based on the areas of geography, social status, and sector analysis. Currently, half of the U.S. is in recovery and the other half of the U.S. is in expansion. Since 2007, a number of sectors have lost growth, including transportation. Transportation is down -8% from 2007. Lesson 3 – homebuilding is not a driver of the current state of the economy; natural resource technology and innovation are. He explained that wages have risen, productivity has risen and our output has risen. Consumers get lower prices, employees get better wages and there is profit, he further explained. Mr. Madden closed his statements by offering a look at the Ninth District's growth by offering that business leaders remain optimistic with employment rising and modest reductions in the unemployment rate. The agriculture sector is strong and there is a slight increase in the manufacturing sector.

Summary of Peter Frosch's comments:

Mr. Frosch described Greater MSP's vision has for the Twin Cities region, which is to help the Twin Cities be recognized as a global leading economy while celebrating job growth and encouraging capital investments. He explained that our infrastructure is a critical factor in our region's effort to compete for jobs and capital investment. Regional competitiveness is based on five factors: education and workforce, infrastructure, business climate, quality of life, and incentives. The infrastructure factor includes the logistics sector, talent workforce and quality of life, and image and brand. In comparing ourselves to other regions, our infrastructure factor rates as a yellow (on a green, yellow, and red scale). Mr. Frosch discussed the importance of transportation in the Twin Cities area and said that the second thing (after workforce) that companies want to see when thinking of moving to the Twin Cities is a transit map. Mr. Frosch focused his discussion on transit. Transit funding in the Greater MSP region is significantly lower

than our peer regions. Having a world class transit system in our region is the direction we need to move if we want to be competitive. He explained that the Greater MSP region is both “strong” and “weak” depending on how “infrastructure” is defined. Mr. Frosch concluded that each of us has an important role in shaping the vision for our region’s infrastructure and to support our strengths and improve competitive deficiencies.

A Question & Answer Session followed the panel presentations.

V. MnDOT Freight Rail Economic Development Study Overview

Libby Ogard, Project Manager, Freight Rail Economic Development Study

Summary of Libby Ogard’s comments:

Ms. Ogard gave a brief update on the project’s goals and tasks. The project goal is to identify opportunities for shippers, railroads, economic development and transportation agencies to work together more effectively in the support of expanded local rail access, complimentary business development and improved rail and intermodal transportation service options. Ms. Ogard provided an overview of the tasks for the project focusing in on task 9 – outreach meetings. Meetings have been held throughout the state and country, starting in December 2012, and will continue through August 2013. The meetings provide a venue for feedback on the project. A draft report will be available in July 2013.

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