

REGIONAL STRATEGIC FREIGHT DIRECTION TOPICS

Presentation to CMAP Freight Committee

May 15, 2017

What is the Regional Strategic Freight Direction?

- Near-term action agenda for freight in the region
- Strategic document
 - ▣ Focused recommendations on key freight policy and programming issues
 - ▣ Intended audience of CMAP and core stakeholders
- Standalone document
 - ▣ Separate from ON TO 2050
 - ▣ Intended approval by CMAP Board and MPO Policy Committee in early 2018

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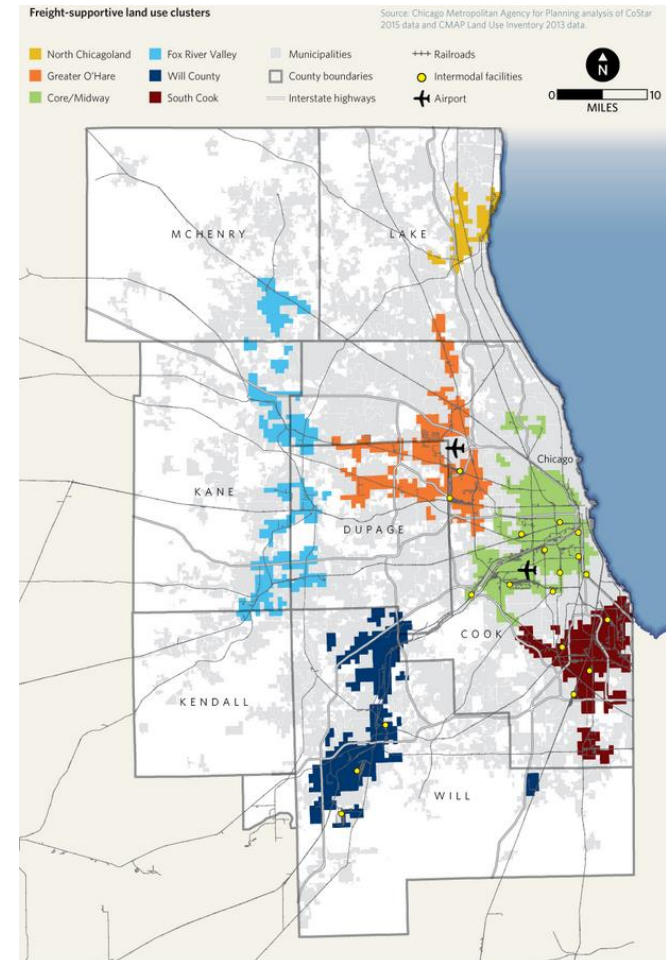
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 - ▣ *Existing conditions (previously discussed)*
 - ▣ *Truck policy (previously discussed)*
 - ▣ *Rail policy (previously discussed)*
 - ▣ Municipal support for freight (revisiting)
 - ▣ Programming of freight funds (revisiting)

Today's agenda

- Two questions for various components of the RSFD
 - ▣ How to refine?
 - Multijurisdictional freight planning
 - ▣ Last thoughts?
 - Freight and environmental justice
 - Local economic development considerations
 - Freight and transportation planning

Multijurisdictional freight planning

- Refining freight-supportive land use clusters
 - ▣ Should we refine the clusters?
 - ▣ If yes, how?
 - ▣ What are potential topics to be studied in each cluster?
- Who else to consult?



Freight and environmental justice

	Potential environmental justice concerns
Major freight facility developments	Access to jobs; workforce training; traffic congestion; roadway condition; neighborhood connectivity; air and water quality; noise, vibrations, and other nuisances
Truck policy	Traffic congestion; roadway condition; safety; emissions; noise; vibration; truck routing; access to jobs and training; pedestrian crossings and neighborhood connectivity
Rail policy	Grade crossing delay; safety; emissions; noise; vibration; access to jobs and training; pedestrian crossings and neighborhood connectivity
Municipal policy	Community participation; economic development; pollution and environmental remediation; access to workforce and affordable housing; traffic congestion and roadway conditions; health and safety; incompatible land uses; municipal resources
Transportation programming	Access to funding sources; ability to provide local match and administer funds

Quick reminders...

- Freight and local economic development
 - While many communities pursue freight as a local economic development strategy, some components of the freight cluster have limited potential for job creation, wages, or tax base growth
- Freight and programming of federal funds
 - Manage formula NHFP funding at the regional level
 - Coordinate regional applications to competitive funds

...follow up questions

- Freight and local economic development considerations
 - ▣ Is this topic appropriate to include in RSFD?
 - ▣ If so, is this level of discussion sufficient?
- Freight and programming of federal funds
 - ▣ How important are freight projects, given other potential recommendations for programming of limited federal funds?

Next steps

- May/June: Final outreach to CMAP committees
- Summer/Fall: Present draft products to CMAP Board and MPO Policy Committee
- Fall: Finalize and layout draft
- Winter: Approval by CMAP Board and MPO Policy Committee