

Rail Development Commission

BACKGROUND

- Updates 2019 State Rail Plan
- Complies with federal requirement to update every 4 years
- Ensures that Ohio is well-positioned to take advantage of federal grant opportunities
- Revisits and updates the vision, goals, and objectives that guide decisions regarding state-funded and state-sponsored rail projects
- Estimated completion: Q2 of 2025



STAKEHOLDER INVOLVEMENT

- Direct railroad surveys (in process)
- Public survey (coming fall of this year)
- Stakeholder workshops (coming in September; invites have been distributed)
 - Topically-oriented
 - Virtual; centered on bigger-picture prioritization of rail-related issues
 - Feel free to forward the invite to others at your organization that you think might be interested
- One-on-one meetings



STAKEHOLDER WORKSHOPS

- Freight Rail
 - September 6 at 10:30am
 - Focused on identifying opportunities for freight rail growth and related issues that will impact the state
- Rail and Community Issues
 - September 13 at 10:30am
 - Focused on grade crossing safety and related topics that affect communities throughout Ohio
- Passenger Rail
 - September 20 at 10:30am
 - Focused on ranking passenger rail service priorities, elements that would make passenger rail service successful in the state



ONE-ON-ONE MEETINGS

- Scheduled on an as-requested basis
- Contact the plan team if...
 - ...you can't make the stakeholder workshops
 - ...there are other topics that you would like to discuss that would help inform development of the rail plan

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QUESTIONS?

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