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Why Should Illinois Care About Rail?
## Strategic Transportation Goals – Current Performance

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<td>Rail and intermodal rail can enhance safety in competitive corridors</td>
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Rail is More Efficient Than Trucks

Rail is 1.9 to 5.5 times more fuel-efficient than trucks.

Rail fuel efficiency varies from 156 to 512 ton-miles per gallon, while truck fuel efficiency ranges from 68 to 133 ton-miles per gallon.
The Recovery Act is Funding CREATE Projects

$100 million in TIGER Grants from USDOT
$133 Million from FRA for the Englewood Flyover

Continual Obligations

$300 million in Governor Quinn’s budget
$232 Class 1 railroads and Metra
$30 million City of Chicago
New Program, New Funding Mechanisms

High-Speed Intercity Passenger Rail Program

National Summary of Selected Projects

**MIDWEST**
24 applications | $2,617 M

**NORTHEAST**
23 applications | $490 M

**WEST**
21 applications | $2,949 M

**SOUTHEAST**
12 applications | $1,883 M

Legend:
- Corridor Development Program
- Projects Laying Foundation for High-Speed Passenger Rail
- Long-Term Vision for High-Speed Passenger Rail
- Planning Studies (By state)

All dollar amounts are conditional and subject to approval prior to grant agreement.
US Megaregions
What is High-Speed Rail?

*Intercity passenger rail service that is reasonably expected to reach speeds of at least 110 MPH.*

- PRIIA § 26106
Vision To Reality

Recovery and Reinvestment

Competitive travel times

Projects ready to advance

ROI / Public benefits

Creating foundation for future network
Passenger Rail Connections for the Midwest and in Chicago
Additional Near-Term Funding Sources

March 31

$50 Million – FY2010
Corridor Planning
Design/Construction

$65 Million – FY2009 Final

Spring

$2.1 billion – FY2010
Corridor Development

$245 Million – FY2010
Individual Projects

Awards Announced By September 30, 2010
Midwest Regional Rail Initiative
Public Benefits

CUSTOMER

- Improve:
  - On-Time Performance
  - Travel Time
  - Speed
  - Frequency

RAIL SYSTEM

- Increased Ridership
- Service Efficiencies
- Greater Demand for Service
- Greater Market Share

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM

- Economic Competitiveness
- Jobs
- Improve Overall Transportation Safety
- Enhance Livable Communities
- Improve Energy Usage and the Environment
- Enhance Mobility
Time To Rebalance Transportation Spending

- Highway
- Air
- Transit
- Intercity Passenger Rail
The President’s Vision for High-Speed and Intercity Rail

“Imagine boarding a train in the center of a city. No racing to an airport and across a terminal, no delays, no sitting on the tarmac, no lost luggage, no taking off your shoes.

Imagine whisking through towns at speeds over 100 miles an hour, walking only a few steps to public transportation, and ending up just blocks from your destination. Imagine what a great project that would be to rebuild America.”

-- President Barack Obama