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# **Eight County Freight Plan**

East Central Intergovernmental Association & Blackhawk Hills Regional Council

CPCS Team March 27, 2017 Dubuque, IA To develop a better understanding of the multimodal freight system in the bi-state region and to use this information to better inform policy and programming decisions.



#### Work Plan Overview

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#### **Presentation Map**

#### **Eight County Local Economy**

Freight System Inventory

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**Stakeholder Perspectives** 

**Questions & Discussion** 



#### What drives the Eight County Economy?

- What is the socio-economic make-up of the Eight County Region?
- What are freight-related industries?
- What portion of businesses in the Eight County Region are freight-related?
- What are the key industries in the Eight County Region?



#### **Regional Population and Education**

- Population
  - 26,400 (8%) drop from 1970 to 2015
- Education
  - Over half the population with some college/associates or higher



**Eight County Population** 







#### **Employment and Wages**

- Wages continue to grow
  - Percent change = 7.1%
  - CAGR = 1.7%



#### **Average Median Income**

Source: CPCS Analysis of 2015 American Community Survey Data, US Census Bureau All amounts in inflation-adjusted 2015 dollars.



**Unemployment Rate** 

Unemployment tracks below peer cities

Percent change = -1.6%

Source: CPCS Analysis of 2015 American Community Survey Data, US Census Bureau

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An industry that requires transportation (road, rail, water, air, intermodal) to convey freight as part of their daily activities.

Example Industry	YLS, Freight-Related	NO, Not Freight-Related
Manufacturing	YES	
Retail and Wholesale Trade	YES	
Construction	YES	
Agriculture	YES	
Education		NO
Healthcare		NO
Finance and Insurance		NO



#### What drives the Eight County Economy?

Freight-related industries comprise almost ½ of Region's employment



Source: CPCS Analysis of 2015 American Community Survey Data, US Census Bureau

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#### **Freight-Related Employment Concentration**



Source: CPCS Analysis of ReferenceUSA, 2016

#### Freight-Related Employment

NAICS	Firms with 20-49 Employees	Firms with 50-99 Employees	Firms with 100+ Employees
(11) Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, and Hunting	3	2	1
(21) Mining, Quarrying, Oil and Gas Extraction	5	2	2
(22) Utilities	5	0	5
(23) Construction	87	12	24
(31-33) Manufacturing	144	49	92
(42) Wholesale Trade	69	24	117
(44-45) Retail Trade	191	44	52
(48-49) Transportation and Warehousing	81	16	10

Source: CPCS Analysis of ReferenceUSA, 2016



### What the Region does Better (Location Quotient)

Industry	Carroll	Clinton	Delaware	Dubuque	Jackson	Jo Daviess	Stephenson	Whiteside
(11) Agriculture	ND	ND	1.58	ND	1.97	ND	2.66	ND
(21) Mining, Quarrying, Oil and Gas Extraction	ND	ND	NC	ND	NC	ND	NC	ND
(22) Utilities	ND	1.11	ND	0.66	ND	ND	ND	0.33
(23) Construction	0.9	0.9	1.25	0.86	0.97	1.3	1.36	0.6
(31-33) Manufacturing	2.13	2.28	3.18	1.68	1.65	1.6	2.3	2.02
(42) Wholesale trade	2.15	0.5	1.9	1.16	1.33	ND	0.67	0.96
(44-45) Retail trade	1.24	0.98	0.95	0.98	1.35	1.14	0.89	1.16
(48-49) Transportation, Warehousing	ND	ND	ND	2.07	1.17	ND	1.06	ND

Source: CPCS Analysis of Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2015

ND indicates that a quotient is not disclosable, and NC indicates quotients that could not be calculated.



### **Open Discussion**

 Do you agree with our assessment of what drives the Eight County Region's economy?

- What might be missing from this picture?



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#### Freight Industry Use of the Transportation System

The mode a business uses depends on a number of factors... but usually the most important is <u>price</u> and mode <u>availability</u>

< Highe	er						Lower>				
Air Cargo	Truck	l Inte	Rail rmodal	Rail Unit		Rail Unit		Rail Unit		Rail Carload	Water
< Faster							Slower>				
< More Reliab	le	Service					Less Reliable>				
< More Visible			Charact	eristics		Less Visible-					
< More Expens	sive						Less Expensive>				
< Low Weight							High Weight>				
< Higher Value	2		Caı Charact	rgo eristics			Lower Value>				
< More Time-S	Sensitive					Less	Time-Sensitive>				

Source: CPCS adapted from Freight Transportation Service Spectrum, Hofstra University



#### Freight Industry Use of the Transportation System

#### Examples



#### Agriculture

**Favors lowest transportation cost, less time sensitive** 



Manufacturing Favors transit time, level of service



#### Construction

Favors lowest transportation cost, truck often last mile



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#### Freight Tonnage and Value in the Eight Counties

Tons by Mode (2014) Total = 67.3 Million tons Value by Mode (2014) Total = \$50.4 Billion



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Source: WSP | PB Analysis of FHWA Freight Analysis Framework version 4 (FAF4) data. Preliminary.

#### Freight Tonnage and Value in the Eight Counties



Value by Commodity (2014) Total = \$50,412,039,476





Solutions for growing economies Source: WSP | PB Analysis of FHWA Freight Analysis Framework version 4 (FAF4) data. Preliminary.

#### Roadways

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#### Road System Information (Preliminary)

- Truck share of regional freight:
  - Tonnage: 49 million tons (73.3%)
  - Value: \$41 billion (81.8%)
- Roadway extent statistics (miles)

	Interstates	US Highways	State Highways
Length	30	388	454

• Most of region is within short driving distance of a metropolitan area

	Davenport (Interstate link)	Cedar Rapids (Intermodal terminal)	Chicago (Midwest freight hub)
Dubuque	71 miles, 1.25 hours	73 miles, 1.25 hours	175 miles, 3.25 hours
Clinton	41 miles, 0.75 hours	84 miles, 1.50 hours	144 miles, 2.50 hours
Freeport	100 miles, 2.00 hours	137 miles, 2.50 hours	114 miles, 2.00 hours



#### Railroads

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#### Rail System Information (Preliminary)

- Class I Railroads:
  - Union Pacific: 98.34 miles
  - Canadian National: 207.9 miles
  - Canadian Pacific: 160.1 miles
  - BNSF: 130.7 miles
- 486 railroad crossings in region

- Rail share of regional freight:
  - Tonnage: 15 million tons (23%)
  - Value: \$3.4 billion (6.7%)

Facility	Railroad	Estimated Maximum Rail Miles from Region	Estimated Travel Time
Global III (Rochelle, IL)	UP	80 (From DeWitt)	2.9 hours at 27.3 MPH
Cedar Rapids Intermodal	CRANDIC	110 (From Sterling, via UP)	4.0 hours at 27.3 MPH
Cicero Intermodal (Chicago)	BNSF	180 (From E. Dubuque)	6.4 hours at 28.3 MPH
Bensenville, IL	СР	180 (From Dubuque)	6.8 hours at 26.6 MPH
Joliet, IL	CN	210 (From Dubuque)	7.9 hours at 26.6 MPH





#### Marine System

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#### Marine System Information (Preliminary)

- Marine share of regional freight:
  - Tonnage: 713,000 tons (1%)
  - Value : \$734 million (1.5%)
- 94 miles of the Mississippi River in the Region
- Three locks and dams, all with 110 x 600' locks, built between 1934 and 1939
- Connection

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- 1,460 1,550 miles to the Gulf
- 15 days average travel time to the Gulf
- Trip passes through 16 locks from top of region



#### Intermodal Facilities (Preliminary)

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### Intermodal Facilities (Preliminary)

Facility Name	City	Туре
Peavey Grain Co	Clinton, IA	Truck - Rail
ARTCO Fleeting	Clinton, IA	Truck - Rail - Water
Clinton Municipal Dock	Clinton, IA	Truck - Rail - Water
ADM/Growmark	Clinton, IA	Truck - Rail - Water
ADM Corn Processing	Clinton, IA	Truck - Rail - Water
Port of Dubuque	Dubuque, IA	Truck - Rail - Water
Dubuque Regional Airport	Dubuque, IA	Truck - Air
Hodge Co	Dubuque, IA	Truck - Rail
Conticarriers & Terminal Inc	Dubuque, IA	Truck - Rail
Continental Grain Co	Dubuque, IA	Truck - Rail
Flint Hills Resources	Dubuque, IA	Truck - Rail - Water
Cargill AgHorizons	Dubuque, IA	Truck - Water
Peavey Company	Dubuque, IA	Truck - Rail - Water
Dubuque Barge and Fleeting Service	Dubuque, IA	Truck - Water
ARTCO Fleeting Services	Dubuque, IA	Truck - Water
Agri Grain Marketing	Fulton, IL	Truck - Rail



Source: National Transportation Atlas Database, Iowa DOT

#### Eight County Proximity

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 Do you agree with our identification of the Eight County Region's infrastructure assets?

- What might be missing from this picture?



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### The Vision Underpins Freight Plan Next Steps

- Current performances
- Future needs
- Recommended strategies
- Ultimately the vision unifies understanding and keeps focus on a desired end outcome



#### Building a Vision – Alignment

### **Assessed Existing Freight Vision and Goals**

- Federal Legislation
- State Freight Plans
- State/Local Long-Range Transportation Plans
- Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy



#### **Common Themes**

### Vision

- Enable business attraction, retention and expansion
- Provide a reliable and efficient freight system
- Leverage existing freight assets
- Provide connection between modes and with regional and national freight systems
- Collaborate with public and private stakeholders



#### **Approaches to Freight Vision Statements**

#### • Example #1 – Full Meal Deal

 The Eight County freight system provides safe, efficient, and competitive services that connect the region's businesses and industries with domestic and international markets, and support statewide economic development activities.

#### Example #2 – Transportation & Economics Focus

 The Eight County freight system provides for the reliable movement of goods, while improving overall transportation system efficiency and promoting economic growth.

#### • Example #3 – Short and Sweet

 The Eight County freight system successfully moves products and enhances state and local economic growth.



#### **Eight County Freight Vision for Discussion**

The Eight County multimodal freight system enables economic growth by meeting the transportation needs of local businesses and providing efficient and reliable access to the region, nation, and globe



# Does the Vision make sense and does it link to what you have been hearing from businesses?

- Are the key elements captured?
- Are there concepts that deserve more or less emphases?
- Does this appropriately describe the desired outcome for the Regions freight future?
- Is the statement bold enough (i.e., inevitable or visionary future)?



### Incorporate Comments and Implement Vision

- Develop supporting goals
- Use vision and goals to define performance measures





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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



#### Industry Survey – Response Overview

Online survey



- 22 qualitative and quantitative questions
- Twenty companies responded



**Industries Represented** 



#### Industry Survey – Profile of Inbound Flows / Inputs

#### **Types of Inputs Used**

Other (Steel, Electronics, Equipment and parts, Chemicals) Transportation and Logistics (ex. warehouse, terminals, carriers) Agriculture (ex. corn, soybeans, milk, livestock) Natural Resources (ex. energy, forestry, mining, quarrying) Consumer Goods (ex: wholesale, retail, direct sales) Manufacturing (ex. food, heavy, general)



Modes of Transportation Used All industries use road; 15 use road exclusively



**Origins of Inbound Commodities** 



#### Industry Survey – Profile of Outbound Flows

#### **Types of Goods Produced**

(One company produces Manufactured and Consumer Goods; For seventeen goods producing companies only)



#### Outbound Modes of Transportation Used

(For 17 Goods-Producing Industries; all use road)



Destination of Outbound Commodities

(For 17 goods-producing companies only)



#### Industry Survey – Transportation System Performance

#### "Top 3" Transportation Issues in Eight County Region



#### "Top 3" Transportation Improvements to Help Competitiveness



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#### Industry Survey – Regional Freight Plan Preparation

- Industry advice for developing the Regional Freight Plan:
  - Road upgrades / re-surfacing / snow-clearing critical
  - Get out in the field and see conditions of bridges and roads
  - Encourage new generation of truck drivers
  - Develop transportation / logistics hubs that support transportation operations for multiple organizations
  - Increase infrastructure spending as a requirement for growth



#### What have you heard during your consultations?

• What are top industry issues/concerns?

- What transportation system improvements are most needed?
- What advice did they provide for us in developing the Eight County Freight Plan?

Please provide us your compiled results by April 14<sup>th</sup>



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#### Our Next Steps...

- Continue consultations
- Refine vision and develop performance measures
- Existing and future commodity flow assessment

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# Thank You



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