

QUARTERLY MEETING HIGHLIGHTS
Delaware Valley Goods Movement Task Force
10:00 A.M., Wednesday, January 16, 2013
8th Floor—DVRPC Main Conference Room
190 North Independence Mall West, Philadelphia, PA 19106

#### 1. Call to Order

Co-Chair's Barry Seymour of DVRPC and Jim Ritzman of PennDOT called the quarterly freight advisory committee meeting to order. Mr. Seymour welcomed all new and returning members and announced that the meeting was being co-sponsored by the World Trade Association of Philadelphia. Following this brief recognition, all attendees were invited to introduce themselves and their affiliations.

The minutes from the prior Task Force meeting on October 17, 2012 were circulated.

DVRPC has applied for 1 AICP Certification Maintenance Credit for eligible meeting attendees. Eligible attendees should check the AICP website for availability.

All PowerPoint presentations will be made available on-line at: http://www.dvrpc.org/asp/committee/committee.aspx?p=DVGMTF

## 2. Action Item 13-03: Freight Web Mapping Application

DVRPC's Michael Ruane introduced *PhillyFreightFinder*. This new freight web mapping application is a product developed with assistance from the DVGMTF Data Subcommittee. The application is a unique regional tool that provides online access to data about the Delaware Valley's freight facilities.

The innovative effort by DVRPC and the Data Subcommittee is intended to improve the regional access to information about the freight system and create better data sharing. The mapping application provides users the opportunity to identify and explore details of 20 different facility types throughout the region. Driven by an online framework, the tool is accessible to anyone with an internet connection. In addition to standard information such as name, owner, operator, etc., activity and capacity information has been developed for each of the facilities. This data is important to better understanding the role of an individual facility in the larger system.

The tool is intended to grow with time, and serve as a framework for other improvements such as regional performance measures related to freight. Additionally, it serves to identify areas of focus for future DVRPC counting/data collection programs. Most importantly the mapping application will

serve as a vital tool to help identify and justify future investments in the Delaware Valley freight system.

The action to adopt and provide support to the freight web mapping application as a tool for regional freight information sharing was approved unanimously. Mr. Ruane also encouraged individuals interested in sharing or helping develop data to contact the Data Subcommittee Chair, Rick Crawford or DVRPC staff.

#### 3. Connections 2040: Update to the Region's Long Range Plan

DVRPC's Brett Fusco presented on the progress of the update to Greater Philadelphia's long range plan. The plan, as presented, provides a vision for the orderly growth and development of the region and includes a fiscally constrained financial plan for improving the transportation system. Brett presented on the work that has been completed on the long range plan. Preliminary work has focused on the fiscal constraints facing transportation investment in the region. Three scenarios were developed from low to high, all falling well below the estimated need that has been identified. Early estimates for needed investment are around \$130.5 billion while expected revenue is close to \$52.7 billion.

Work that remains on the long range plan involves the Financial Plan, Public Outreach and the writing of the plan. The Financial Plan will identify projects and provide allocations to appropriate funding categories. Public Outreach is ongoing, and utilizing an innovative online outreach system. The new system, *Choices and Voices*, is an online survey of individuals concerns for the region.

Choices and Voices goes beyond a typical survey as it guides users through the difficult decisions faced by transportation planning as they work to allocate funds on a restricted budget to the necessary projects. The survey educates users on where funds come from, the projects they could fund, and the shortfalls that exist given current revenue streams. The summary step of the survey provides users with information on how their transportation funding decisions would impact various issues at the regional level.

Ted Dahlburg announced the next meeting of the Planning Subcommittee, Kelvin MacKavanagh Chair, on February 12, 2013, which would be of interest to those interested in projects relating to the long range plan.

#### 4. New Jersey's Statewide Freight Rail Strategic Plan

NJ Department of Transportation's Miki Krakauer presented on the final draft of the New Jersey Statewide Freight Rail Strategic Plan. The Plan offers a strategic assessment of the issues surrounding rail freight in New Jersey and potential solutions. Much of the focus was given to the issues and constraints to freight rail operations across the state of New Jersey. Through the development of the plan it was acknowledged that the goals of a healthy and successful freight rail system are directly supportive of the existing goals of the State Strategic Plan: economic vitality and growth, environmental stewardship, and enhanced quality of life.

The components of the plan as presented include identification of the existing system and the envisioned role of rail freight in the future. Building upon this vision, the plan also reflects the desires of stakeholders. The plan also identifies 43 issues in 13 risk/opportunity categories. From these issues and input from stakeholders, NJ DOT has developed high level strategic guidance on actions to deal with each of the issues. While there are many things that could be done, the emphasis is on what can realistically be done by engaged parties in the short-term. Emphasis was also placed on 286k issues which affect sections of the freight rail network and some sections shared with passenger operations.

The plan remains open for comment through the end of January, 2013.

#### 5. World Trade Association of Philadelphia

Harvey Weiner, President of the World Trade Association of Philadelphia (WTA), and First Vice President Dominic O'Brien introduced the committee to the mission and goals of the WTA. After commending the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission for their mission and efforts in the region, Mr. Weiner emphasized the extensive efforts of the WTA to bring international recognition and regional support to the members of the association. These members include steamship lines, marine terminals, manufacturers, freight forwarders, customs brokers, warehouse companies, trucking firms and others. Through WTA the members of the association are offered access to relevant presentations, events to improve connections across the industry and opportunities to expand in to large global markets.

### 6. The Bakken Oil Field and Philadelphia Area Refineries

Jack Galloway, Chairman, President, and Founder of Canopy Prospecting and Peter Holran of Enbridge Energy presented on the initiative to deliver Bakken oil to Philadelphia area refineries. Mr. Galloway provided a brief background on Canopy Prospecting and its decision to embark on an effort to receive crude at the Eddystone Generating Station.

The envisioned project will transport Bakken crude oil from a loading facility in Berthold, ND by rail to the Eddystone facility. In an agreement with Excelon, Canopy will operate an improved rail loop that will be (in Phase 1) capable of offloading 80k barrels of crude from unit trains each day. This will then be stored in a 200k barrel tank to await transfer to barges destined for Philadelphia refineries. The operation will originate with BSNF locomotives and will transfer to Norfolk Southern, CSX or CP for final delivery along the Chester Secondary. Each train will consist of 120 cars, 118 tanker cars and 2 buffer cars as well as three locomotives.

Enbridge views this as a vital link for the east coast to garner access to the sweet, light crude the demand from central areas of North America. Until a pipeline can be built for such a purpose, rail will be the most reliable link for this demand. In addition, the cost savings for this crude will help to ensure the competitiveness of regional refineries, as the crude is expected to be \$35/barrel cheaper than existing sources.

The \$68 million dollar investment, in which Enbridge will be the operator and lead investor, is already underway. Track has already started being pulled at Eddystone, in an effort to replace with a heavier grade and improved curves. Phase 1 is expected to be completed by the end of 2013, at which point Canopy and Enbridge expect one train per day bringing 80k barrels of sweet, light crude a day. The final transfer of crude by barge will be completed by Vane Borthers Tug

Company. Both Monroe and PES will be the refineries sourcing the oil through Enbridge to flow through the new facility at Eddystone. If all goes to plan, Canopy expects to expand to a capacity of 160k barrels per day.

#### 7. Two-Minute Reports

The following Task Force and Subcommittee chairs and Task Force members provided updates on the activities of their companies and agencies:

#### Jim Ritzman ......PennDOT

Mr. Ritzman revealed that the upcoming budget announcements by Gov. Tom Corbett are expected to include transportation funding initiatives as well as information on the multimodal fund.

#### Talvin Davis......NJ DOT

Mr. Davis announced that solicitation for freight and aviation projects was sent on December 14. In addition, he warned that end of the year issues may arise due to slow projects utilizing federal dollars due in part to the Tiger funding cycle.

## Bobbie Geier ...... Delaware DOT Planning

Ms. Geier introduced the partnership with MD and VA on a Freight Plan with advisory meetings expected in the spring.

#### Dan Blevins ......WILMAPCO

Mr. Blevins following up on Ms. Geier's comments revealed that the DelMarVa model is under construction, utilizing Global Insights data to detail scenarios in rail and other pipeline operations. The solid foundation provided by the model is expected to help guide the plan through scenario development.

#### Ted Matthews.....NJTPA

Mr. Matthews, presenting on behalf of Peter Palmer, announced the next Freight Initiative meeting on February 19, 2013. The meeting will highlight the recent Rail Capacity and Needs Study as well as exhibit the Bayonne Bridge Project.

# Kelvin MacKavanagh......Planning Subcommittee

Mr. MacKavanagh announced that there would be a Planning Subcommittee meeting to discuss long range plan projects on February 12, 2013. Additionally he reminded members of NJ TransAction on April 17, 18 and 19, 2013 at the Tropicana in Atlantic City.

#### Dominic O'Brien ......PRPA

Mr. O'Brien encouraged members who might know others interested export opportunities to coordinate with PRPA and WTA on their export project as they work towards improving access to European markets.

#### Rudy Husband ...... Norfolk Southern Corp.

Mr. Husband made the unfortunate announcement about the recent passing of Norfolk Southern retiree, former Pennsylvania State Senator Craig Lewis.

## Brian Hontz .....FRA

## Larry Kish.....FRA

Mr. Kish announced that the new regulation requiring telephonic signage at crossings. This regulation became active as of August 13, 2012 and will need to be implemented by September 1, 2015.

## Bill Halloran..... The Traffic Club of Philadelphia

Mr. Halloran invited attendees to the Tuesday, January 22, 2013 annual Traffic Club Dinner at the Hyatt Regency.

Liz Gabor.....PIDC

Ms. Gabor announced the pending release of the Navy Yard Master Plan update expected February 8, 2013 and the Lower Schuylkill Plan in March, 2013.

Rich Wisneski ......NJ Transit

Mr. Wisneski announced that the NJ State Rail Plan has been submitted for comment and the anticipated completion is in February.

John McCreavy ...... SMS Rail

Mr. McCreavy announced that Sam Katz is helping produce a show on the history of Philadelphia and would be interested in highlighting goods movement through the Delaware Valley if members have pictures and videos to submit.

Ted Dahlburg ......DVRPC

Mr. Dahlburg announced the retirement of Dennis Sweeney from CSX.

#### **8. ADJOURNMENT**

The committee was adjourned for lunch. The remaining meeting dates for 2013 are: April 16, July 17, and October 16.

#### **Meeting Participants**

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Cruit, Alex PSU Grad

Cruit, Chuck The Boeing Company

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