



QUARTERLY MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Delaware Valley Goods Movement Task Force

10:00 A.M., Friday, January 13, 2017

8th Floor—DVRPC Main Conference Room

190 North Independence Mall West, Philadelphia, PA 19106

1. Call to Order

Committee chair Barry Seymour of DVRPC called the quarterly freight advisory committee meeting to order. Mr. Seymour welcomed all committee members and friends. Following this brief introduction, all attendees were invited to introduce themselves and their affiliations.

The minutes from the prior Task Force meeting on October 14, 2016 were circulated. It was noted that any modifications/corrections can be transmitted to DVRPC's Mike Ruane. DVRPC has applied for 1 AICP Certification Maintenance Credit for eligible meeting attendees. Eligible attendees should check the AICP website for availability.

All permitted Power Point presentations will be made available on-line at:

<http://www.dvrpc.org/asp/committee/committee.aspx?p=DVGMTF>

2. An Untapped Resource

Bob Willert, Chris Lenton, and Mike DiSantis of the Delaware County Regional Water Authority provided an overview of the Western Regional Treatment Plants operations. The plant provides municipal, commercial, and industrial wastewater services to Delaware County and is situated along the Delaware River Waterfront. Mr. DiSantis highlighted the excess capacity of the facility as industrial demands have shifted in the county.

Mr. DiSantis also provided the committee with an overview of how wastewater treatment services are critical to industrial development. With excess capacity, DELCORA has the potential to help the county attract industry development that relies heavily on wastewater treatment or industries that create highly concentrated wastewater requiring pretreatment.

3. Critical Urban Freight Corridors

Mike Ruane of DVRPC provided an update on the development of regional components of the National Highway Freight Network. Under the FAST Act and the National Highway Freight Program, PennDOT has requested that DVRPC identify Critical Urban Freight Corridors for potential addition

to the NHFN. Pennsylvania had a total allotment of 141 miles of urban corridors to be designated statewide.

The DVRPC has designated key corridors that provide access to existing intermodal facilities and DVRPC Freight Centers and demonstrate a high volume of truck traffic. Outreach has been conducted with neighboring MPOs to ensure continuity of the national network and a public feedback tool will be released the last week of January. Recommendations will be made for approval by the RTC and DVRPC Board before submission to PennDOT.

4. Goods Movement in Complete Streets Environments: Lessons from 10 US Cities

Dr. Alison Conway of the City College of New York presented an ongoing project to develop a guidebook on accommodating goods movement in Complete Streets environments. This project is being conducted by the City College of New York with assistance from the NYC Department of Transportation. Dr. Conway presented on many of the challenges faced by commercial vehicle operators in US cities.

Dr. Conway provided case studies and practices that highlight how many of these issues are addressed in US cities and abroad. Her presentation provided valuable insights on some of the conflicts created in urban contexts when planning does not fully account for freight activity in complete streets design.

5. Connections 2045 Long-Range Plan Freight Discussion

Mike Boyer of DVRPC provided the committee with an introduction to the current update of the region’s long-range plan. As a part of this process the DVRPC is considering how future forces will influence the region and identify what the region can do to accommodate these impacts. Mr. Boyer along with Brett Fusco introduced an additional topic area under consideration in the plan: Freight Technology. Freight Technology covers a variety of goods movement innovations that have the capacity to change the transportation system. These technologies include automation, truck platoons, drones, and 3D printing among others.

Mr. Fusco led an interactive polling and discussion activity with the committee to get additional feedback on how freight stakeholders view the future as it relates to Freight Technologies. The committee provided a variety of perspectives on when and how they believe these technologies may influence transportation.

6. Two-Minute Reports

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

Paul DelpLansdale Warehouse Co.

Announced that the 2017 Logistics Mega Meeting will be held on March 15 at the William Penn Inn. This year’s meeting will have a focus on Supply Chain Competitiveness – US State of Logistics Costs and Trends.

Kelvin MacKavanagh.....NJ Short Line Railroad Assoc.

Announced that the 2017 TransAction Conference will be held April 4-6.

John McCreavySMS Rail Lines

Reminded the committee that the Traffic Club of Philadelphia’s Annual Meeting is scheduled for January 26, 2017. Mr. McCreavy gave brief remarks about the STB Railroad-Shipper Transportation Advisory Council, to which he was recently appointed chair. He encouraged committee members to remain informed about its activities and reach out to him for additional information.

Amanda BooneUnited States Coast Guard

Announced that the US Coast Guard Annual Joint Meeting of the Delaware Bay Area Maritime Security Committee/Area Committee will be held on February 13, 2017 at Exxon Mobile Tech Center in Paulsboro, NJ.

Keith Skilton.....FHWA

Announced that the final rulemakings for Freight Performance Measures have been released and informational webinars will be held in late January.

Bill DeguffroyChester County Planning

Announced that Chester County is currently working on an update to its Comprehensive Plan, Landscapes2. Information regarding the process and activities are available at chescoplanning.org

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned for lunch. The remaining 2017 committee meeting dates are April 12, July 12 and October 11.

Meeting Participants

<u>Name</u>	<u>Affiliation</u>
Bob Willert	DELCORA
Boone, Amanda	US Coast Guard, Sector Delaware Bay
Boyer, Michael	DVRPC
Coakley, Sarah	Delaware DOT
Conway, Alison	City College of New York
Coyle, Jerry	Evans Delivery Co.
Dahlburg, Ted	DVRPC
Darby, Valincia	Dept. of the Interior
Davis, Jackie	DVRPC
Dawson, Dave	NJTPA
Deguffroy, William	Chester County Planning Commission
Delp, Paul	Lansdale Warehouse Co.
Denitz, Peter	WSP Parsons Brinkerhoff
Dorbian, Bruce	Marcus Hook Borough
Fusco, Brett	DVRPC
Galasso, Rich	Galasso Trucking Service
Gallagher, Kevin	Pennoni
Goins, Samantha	US Department of Interior
Heinzelmann, Ray	Gahagan & Bryant Associates, Inc.
Hill, Jocelyn	Conrail
Hite, Brian	Lehigh Valley Planning Commission
Holcomb, Barbara	DRPA
Holland, Kristine	Kinder Morgan
Jackson, Najah	DVRPC
Johnson, Anthony	Partnership TMA
Jones, Dennis	KIPC/US Steel
Katzenberger, Jim	Accelerx Group
Kinney, George	Lehigh Valley Planning Commission
Lenton, Chris	DELCORA
Luu, Thai	NJ DOT
MacKavanagh, Kelvin	NJ Shortline RR Assoc.
Marano Jr, Dominic	Marano Truck Lines
Mastaglio, Betsy	DVRPC
McCallum, Caroline	PGW
McCreavy, John	SMS Rail
Mike DiSantis	DELCORA
Minutoli, Nicole	NJ DOT
Neaderland, Zoe	DVRPC
Parker, Scott	Jacobs Engineering
Phelps, Tim	TMACC
Ramos, Dino	World Trade Center of Greater Philadelphia
Riley, Alison	EPA Region 3

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Rook, Randy	AECOM
Ruane, Mike	DVRPC
Seymour, Barry	DVRPC
Skilton, Keith	FHWA
Strassberger, Heather	Philadelphia City Planning Commission
Thomas, Josh	Delaware DOT
Vasell, Jay	PRC
Walsh, Nick	PRPA
Ward, Bob	US Coast Guard, Sector Delaware Bay
Ward, John	XPO
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Weiner, Harvey	Dependable Distribution