



MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

10AM, Wednesday, April 19, 2006

Coffee was available at 9:30AM, and a light lunch was served following the meeting.

Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission

8th Floor—Main Conference Room

190 North Independence Mall West, Philadelphia, PA 19106

1. Call to order

Co-Chairs Don Shanis of DVRPC and Sharon Daboin of PennDOT called the meeting to order. All Task Force members were recognized, new attendees were welcomed, and the January 18th, 2006 meeting notes were approved by the committee.

2. Delaware Valley Freight Corridors Study

DVRPC is leading a major study effort to develop a primary north-south freight corridor and a primary east-west freight corridor in the region. Walker Allen of DVRPC summarized initial findings for Year 2002 freight flows in the Philadelphia Consolidated Statistical Area using data made available through the FHWA's Freight Analysis Framework. This is DVRPC's primary freight study, and will be the subject of a recurring report to the committee over the next year.

Ted Dahlburg also introduced the *Freight For A Day* initiative being organized by DVRPC. For one 24-hour period, DVRPC will orchestrate a region-wide scan of freight facilities and operations in the Delaware Valley (with special emphasis on the primary freight corridors). September 20 has been selected as the target date.

3. Delaware River Navigation Channel Deepening

Bill McLaughlin and David Harvey of the Philadelphia Regional Port Authority discussed the status of the proposed deepening of the navigation channel for the Delaware River to 45 feet. This significant capital improvement is considered essential to the economy of the region and to the port's ability to accommodate increasing maritime activity. (Note: guest presentations will be posted to the freight page of the DVRPC website.)

4. South Jersey PIDN Study

Marlin Peterson of DMJM Harris discussed the South Jersey Port Inland Distribution Network (PIDN) Study. The object of this study is to investigate the feasibility of creating a PIDN facility in South Jersey. A South Jersey PIDN facility could potentially offer benefits such as bolstering economic development initiatives and mitigating highway traffic impacts from maritime activity.

5. Diesel Particulate Matter in the Delaware Valley

Joe Minott of the Clean Air Council and Perry Pandya of EPA discussed initiatives to lessen levels of diesel particulate matter in the Delaware Valley. Among these are a Port Task Force, a Mid-Atlantic Clean Ports Workshop, and a retro-fit and upgrade of equipment used at port facilities.

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:

- Sharon Daboin PennDOT**
- Brian Wall PennDOT**
- Jim Badgley NJ DOT**
- Michael Kirkpatrick Delaware DOT**
- Ted Dahlburg DVRPC**
- Rick Crawford Data Subcommittee**
- Kel MacKavanagh Planning Subcommittee**
- Paul Delp Lansdale Warehouse**
- Tom Carolan Traffic Club of Philadelphia**
- Greg Wicklem Keystone State Railroad Association**

7. Old/New Business

The next scheduled meeting of the Delaware Valley Goods Movement Task Force is July 19, 2006. The featured guest speaker will be Tom DeMarino of IKEA Wholesale, Inc.

Following the meeting, Task Force members and friends were invited to remain to view a screening of a video prepared by CSX which highlights the railroad's recovery efforts in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, and to participate in an FHWA *Talking Freight webinar* on small MPOs and innovative freight projects.

Meeting Participants

<u>Name</u>	<u>Affiliation</u>
Adams, Peggy	Bucks County Port
Allen, Walker	DVRPC
Badgley, James	NJ DOT
Bastian, Lugene	PennDOT
Belke, Carl	Patrick Engineering
Boylan, James	Tyburn Railroad
Brennan, Don	PRPA
Carolan, Tom	East Coast Transportation & Logistics
Crawford, Rick	Norfolk Southern
Cuccia, Brian	NJ DOT
Cummings, Bob	PRPA
Daboin, Sharon	PennDOT
Dahlburg, Ted	DVRPC
DelSignore, Paul	Bergman Assoc.
Delp, Paul	Lansdale Warehouse Co.
Denmark, Roy	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Dub, Avri	Traffic Club of Philadelphia
Duffy, Ed	Duffy Associates
Edmond, Matthew	Montgomery County Planning Commission
Erickson, Tom	Rail Cents Enterprises
Fisher, Kevin	PMTA
Forrester, Linda	NJ DOT
Giobbie, Tony	CSX
Goetz, Bill	CSX
Groff, Tom	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Haak, John	Philadelphia City Planning Commission
Harvey, David	PRPA
Heinzelmann, Ray	Gahagan& Bryant Assoc.
Herman, Sue	RRTS
Hicks, Charnelle	CHPlanning
Jacobs, Sean	Clean Air Council
Johnson, Sterling	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Kirkpatrick, Michael	Delaware DOT
Krakauer, Miki	NJ DOT
Labow, Gay	ePortation
Learned, Pam	RIC
Ludasi Andrew	NJ DOT
MacKavanagh, Kelvin	MacKavanagh Railroad Consulting
Magliocchetti, Catherine	U.S. EPA
McAuliffe, Daniel	Unique Industries Inc.
McGowan, Gerry	UPS
McLaughlin, Bill	PRPA
McQuilkin, Jim	DRPA
McTamney, Mike	Klein and Hoffman
Miles, Paul	Peco Energy

Minott, Joe	Clean Air Council
Pandya, Perry	U.S. EPA
Pawson, John	DVRPC Citizens Committee
Peterson Marlin	DMJM Harris
Powers, Eric	NJ DOT
Powers, John	NJ DOT
Renner, Robert	Haines & Kibblehouse
Shanis, Donald	DVRPC
Sheckler, Kelly	U.S. EPA
Siebeneicher, Bob	Camden Iron & Metal, Inc.
Spera, Dave	PMTA
Thomas, Carol	Burlington County
Tracey, Alison	City of Philadelphia-AMS
Truban, Paul	NJ DOT
Wall, Brian	PennDOT
Wells, Tim	LTK Engineering Sevices
Wicklem, Greg	Keystone State Railroad Association
Winkler, Fred	Winchester & Western Railroad
Yarlagadda, Veera	Crowley Maritime