Strategy for the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence River Maritime Transportation System





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Great Lakes-St. Lawrence River Maritime System

The maritime system is a backbone of the region's \$5 trillion economy.

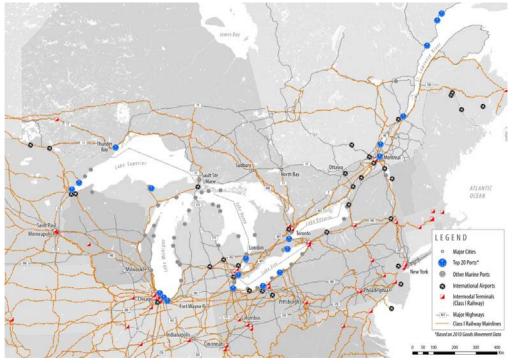


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Regional Maritime Strategy Overview

- Objectives: double maritime trade, shrink the environmental impact of transportation, and support the region's industrial core
- Collaborative process including government, industry, NGOs and other partners



• Policies, programs, and projects to grow the economy and create jobs



Regional Maritime Strategy Draft Themes

- Increasing efficiency and reducing costs
- Building new markets
- Growing economic activity around the maritime system



• Delivering results and managing for the future



Increasing Efficiency and Reducing Costs

- Locks
- Channels and Harbors
- Icebreaking
- Pilotage
- Efficiency and Environmental Performance





Building New Markets

- Season Optimization
- Short Sea Shipping
- Containers
- Passenger Travel and Cruising
- Domestic and International Marketing





Growing Economic Activity Around the MTS

- Leadership and Planning
- Ports and Terminals
- Investment





Delivering Results and Managing for the Future

- Talent and Workforce Development
- Governance
- Metrics to Evaluate System Performance





Near-term Priorities

- Constructing new Soo Lock
 - Potential for P3
- Facilitating cross-border commerce
- Treaty recommendations
- Opening bottlenecks
- Improving efficiency
- Pilotage
- Improving data and metrics





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