

MAP-21 Reauthorization



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President Signs Transportation Act



President Obama signs into law transportation bill passed by Congress last month

Freight Funding is Centerpiece

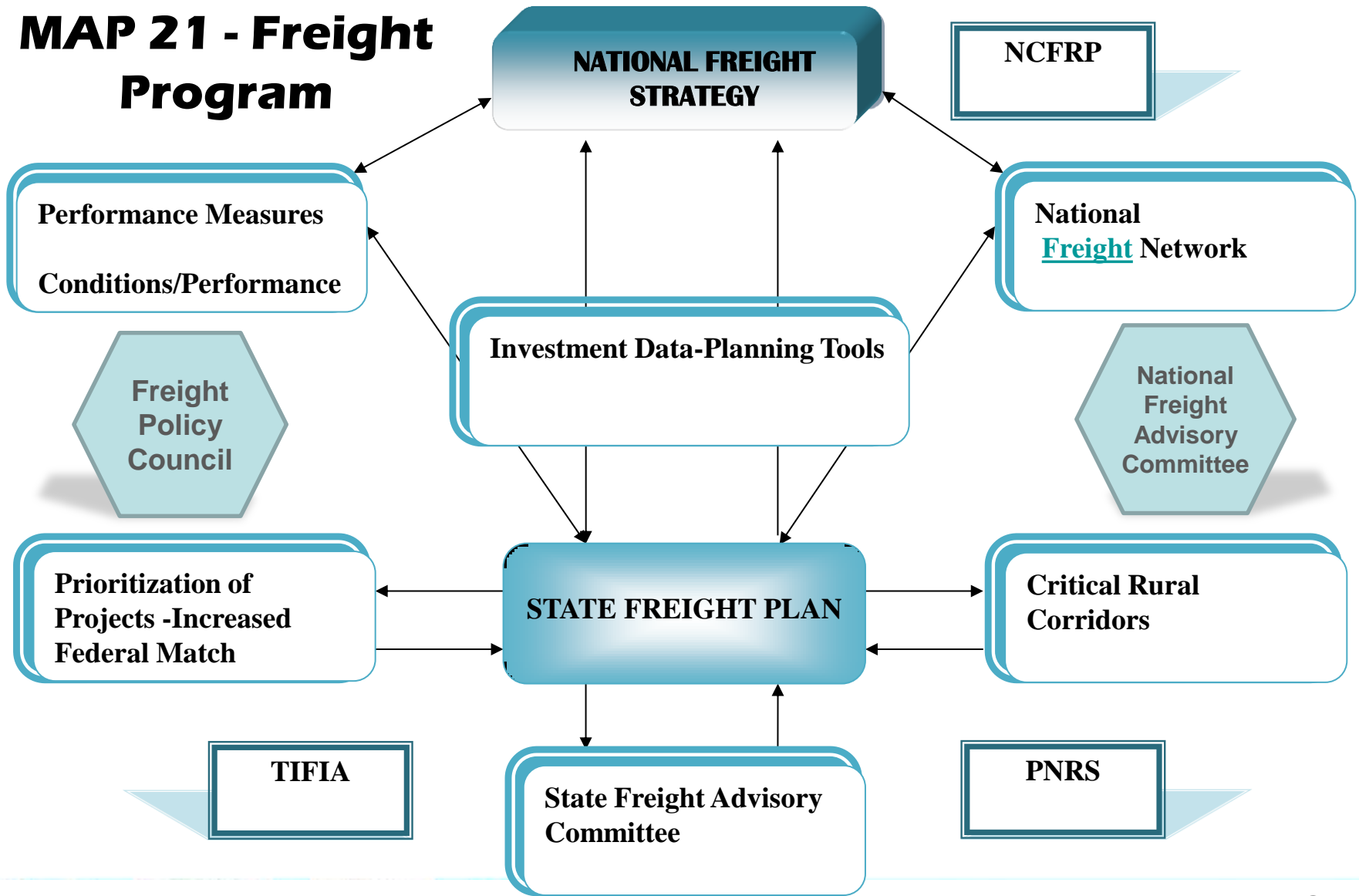
In a White House ceremony today, President Obama signed into law the reauthorization of MAP-21, the nation's most important transportation law.

Although Congress acted more than a year late, the votes for final passage in the Senate (90-10) and the House 390-45 reflected a remarkable consensus on the major premise of the bill—transportation must support economic growth and global competitiveness.

The new law provides a major increase in funding for the highway program from both traditional and new revenue sources; but focus and funding for freight transportation was what unified a coalition of public and private interests that have worked towards this objective for the past two years

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MAP 21 - Freight Program



Freight Work Group

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Reactions?



Goals

- Strengthen competitiveness
- Reduce congestion
- Increase productivity
- Reduce environmental impacts
- Improve safety, security, resiliency
- Improve state of good repair
- Use advanced technology
- Incorporate performance, innovation, competition, accountability
- Improve economic efficiency of freight network



National Freight Program

- “to improve the condition and performance of the national freight network to ensure that the national freight network provides the foundation for the United States to compete in the global economy and achieve each goal described in subsection (b).”



National Freight Strategy

- Three years from enactment (5-yr update)
- Condition and performance of network
- Highway bottlenecks on primary network
- Forecast of volumes
- Trade gateways and freight corridors
- Barriers to improvement
- Energy routes
- Process for multistate projects



National Freight Network

27k center line roadway miles plus 3k

- O/Ds
- Tonnage/Value
- Annual ADTT
- Land/Maritime ports of entry
- Energy access
- Population centers
- Network connectivity



NCFRP

National Cooperative Freight Research
Program—not continued in MAP-21



Performance Measures

- Movement of freight on the Interstate—national measures, state targets—part of performance management system
- Secretary shall prepare conditions and performance report on the national freight network—relates to goals of national freight policy and U.S. DOT strategic objectives



Investment Data and Planning Tools

Develop new and improved tools “to support an outcome-oriented, performance-based approach to evaluate proposed freight related and other transportation projects.”



Prioritization of Projects Increased Federal Match

Federal match increased (up to 95% on Interstate) for projects that improve freight movement, advance towards performance targets, and are in state plan.



State Freight Plan

- Secretary shall encourage
- Comprehensive, immediate, long-range, planning and investment
- Six legislated topics
- Separate or incorporated into statewide strategic long range transportation plan



Critical Rural Corridors

- State designation based on
 - Volume of truck traffic
 - Access to energy exploration/production
 - Connection to primary freight network or Interstate for major freight traffic generators



TIFIA

Credit program for major projects, including:

- Public freight rail facility
- Private rail facility with public benefit thru connection with highway users
- Intermodal transfer facility—access, service improvements



State Freight Advisory Committee

- Secretary shall encourage each state to establish a freight advisory committee
- Cross-section of public and private sector stakeholders
- Priority advice, forum for discussion, communicate/coordinate regional priorities
- Public/private information sharing
- Participate in State freight plan



PNRS

Secretary will provide to the Congress a report on Projects of National Regional Significance that will include a list of projects based on a survey of the states.



Freight Policy Council

Creates “One DOT” for freight



National Freight Advisory Committee

- Establishes connection with outside world
- Creates forum for communication and consensus among stakeholders



Implementation Strategy

Aiming Toward Reauthorization

- Integrated
- Managed
- Coordinated
- Collaborative
- Flexible
- Functional
- National and national
- Evolve



FREIGHT-21

- Funding for national network projects—New funding sources
- Funding for state network projects
- National data pool and capacity building
- Support for multi-state corridor organizations
- U.S. DOT freight office
- Incorporation of other modes and programs, e.g. WRDA, PRIIA

Other?



Freight 21 cont.



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