

Intermodal Freight Plan Summary

The primary goal of Kentucky's Intermodal Freight Plan is to facilitate the safe, efficient movement of goods and freight through Kentucky in an environmentally and fiscally responsible manner. The plan focuses on addressing highway congestion and bottlenecks while promoting other modes to divert freight traffic from highways.



Accomplishments:

- ❖ Establish a Freight Priority Network which includes:
 - Roadway
 - Kentucky's Backbone Network
 - Rail
 - Class I Railroads
 - Class II Railroad – Paducah & Louisville
 - All Short Lines (Class III Railroads)
 - Airports
 - Louisville
 - Northern Kentucky
 - Lexington
 - Riverports
 - All public riverports
 - Waterways
 - Navigable waterways utilized by public riverports

The next steps in process:

- ❖ Collecting the necessary data to know where, when, and how commodities are flowing through and in the Commonwealth
- ❖ Developing working relationships with various modes
- ❖ Identifying highway bottlenecks and intermodal opportunities for freight movement
- ❖ Analyzing and comparing current freight routes with those utilizing intermodal facilities

We have also identified areas where we need direction:

- ❖ Legislative clarification
 - Railroad Commission Duties
 - Kentucky Association of Riverports
- ❖ Funding of transportation modes other than highways with FHWA monies
 - How, When, to What degree?