



## Mississippi Valley Freight Coalition

### Spring Meeting and Workshop

March 31-April 2, 2008

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Traveler Information Data Sharing Summit on  
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MEETING**





# Updates

- ❖ All projects under contract
- ❖ Committee structure
  - Technical (MVTOC)
  - Executive
  - Customer
- ❖ New Pooled Fund Procedures

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## MVFC Projects

- ❖ Logistics 101 for Public Sector Planners
- ❖ Model Freight Planning Approaches
- ❖ Multi-state Identification and Evaluation of Parking Issues
- ❖ Strategies to Alleviate Multi-modal Freight Bottlenecks
- ❖ Multi-state Clearinghouse of Freight Traveler Information
- ❖ Analysis of National Commission Report

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# Project Overview

**Pooled Funds**

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<b>MVFC:</b> Project Management	\$ -	\$ 24,750.00
<b>MVFC-01:</b> Regional Freight Workshop and Commission Test.	\$ 57,500.00	
<b>MVFC-02:</b> Logistics Training Course	\$ 36,500.00	\$ 18,250.00
<b>MVFC-03:</b> Model Planning Approaches	\$ 43,000.00	
<b>MVFC-04:</b> Freight Traveler Information	\$ 150,500.00	\$ 50,750.00
<b>MVFC-05:</b> Expanded Truck Parking Facilities	\$ 70,000.00	\$ 35,000.00
<b>MVFC-06:</b> Planning to Address Regional Freight Bottlenecks	\$ 92,500.00	\$ 46,250.00
<b>MVFC-07:</b> Responding to National Transportation Initiatives	\$ -	\$ 50,000.00



# NCFRP Year 1

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## Yr 1: 8 projects

- ❖ 1. Review and Analysis of Freight Transportation Markets and Relationships
- ❖ 2. Impacts of Public Policy on the Freight Transportation System
- ❖ 3. Performance Measures for Freight Transportation
- ❖ 4. Identifying and Using Low-Cost and Quickly Implementable Ways to Address Freight-System Mobility Constraints\*
- ❖ 5. Review of Freight Investment Decision-Making Processes in the Public Sector\*
- ❖ 6. Freight-Demand Modeling to Support Public-Sector Decision Making
- ❖ 9. Institutional Arrangements in the Freight Transportation System
- ❖ 10. Separation of Vehicles---CMV Only Lanes





# NCFRP Year 2

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## Yr 2: 7 projects

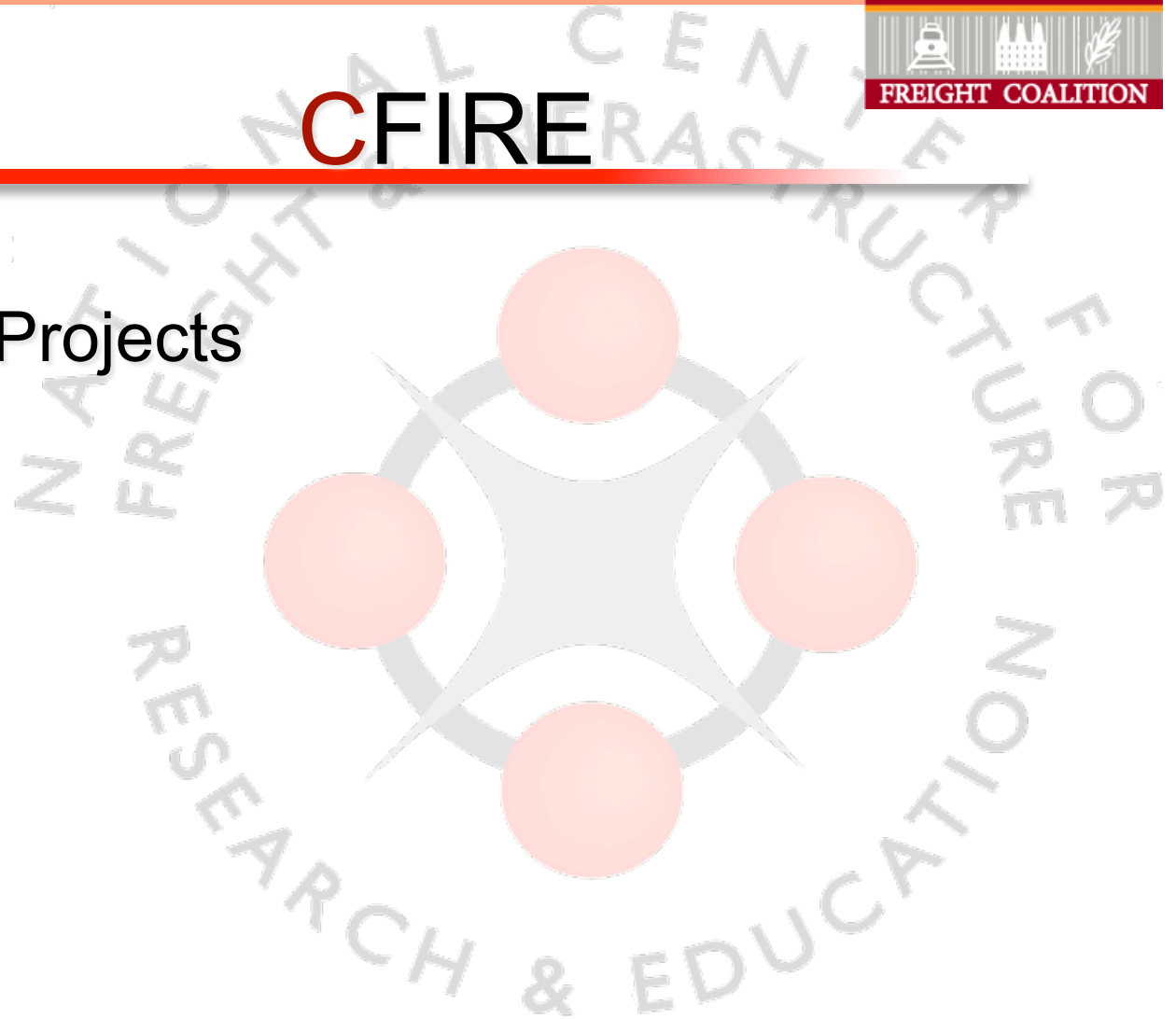
- ❖ 11 - Current and Future Contributions to Freight Demand in North America
- ❖ 12 - Specifications for Freight Transportation Data Architecture
- ❖ 13 - Developing High Productivity Truck Corridors
- ❖ 14 - Truck Drayage Practices
- ❖ 15 - Understanding Urban Goods Movements
- ❖ 16 - Representing Freight in Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas Models
- ❖ 17 - Synthesis of Short Sea Shipping in North America

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-  Current Projects
-  RFPs



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# 2008-09 Initiatives

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- ❖ **Supporting the Coalition, Education and Outreach**
  - Prepare Outreach Materials on Freight
  - Regional Freight Partners Workshop
  - Webpage Publication of Local Regulations
  - Support Great Lakes Manufacturing
- ❖ **Facilitating Freight Planning**
  - Performance measures for evaluating multistate projects
  - Freight Data Sharing
  - Private-Public Partnerships for Improved Multimodal Freight Planning and Implementation
  - Best Practices of Freight Villages within MVFC
- ❖ **Developing the Multi State Freight Network**
  - Critical Sections and Resiliency of Freight Corridors in the MVFC
  - Define a Strategic Regional Freight System
  - Transportation-Related Air Quality Issues





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- ❖ **Freight Operations on Highways**
  - Understanding Commercial Fleet Operations within the MVFC Region
  - Develop and Operate Parking Facilities
  - Evaluate Traffic Regulations from a Trucker's Perspective
  - Regional Corridor Action Team
- ❖ **Facilitating Multi-Modal and Intermodal Operations**
  - Identifying Rail-Highway Crossing Best Practices
  - Airport Congestion and Interconnections
  - Models for Public Investment in Railroad Infrastructure
  - Evaluate the Level Playing Field Between Modes

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# Supporting the Coalition

- ❖ Website
- ❖ Proposal Support (i.e. Corridors of the Future)
- ❖ Presentations and Representation of Coalition
  - Coalition Testimony
  - Intermodal Freight Technology Working Group (FHWA & IANA)
  - Other professional organizations



# Supporting the Coalition, 2

- ❖ Annual Workshop
- ❖ Peer Exchange and Support
  - Formal and informal
- ❖ Communications with Members
- ❖ Strategic Issues Group teleconferences
- ❖ Mississippi Valley Traffic Operations Coalition (MSTOP)



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