



## KENTUCKY RIVERPORTS, HIGHWAY & RAIL FREIGHT STUDY

**BUILDING A  
COLLABORATIVE  
COMMERCE  
NETWORK  
ACROSS  
KENTUCKY**

# SECOND KENTUCKY SUMMIT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIES TO LEVERAGE KENTUCKY RIVERPORTS AND FREIGHT NETWORK

**March 24-26**

Join us for the second virtual Kentucky Summit on the economic role of freight modes, focusing on opportunities to leverage the riverports, highways, and rail system to promote economic development. Hear from state transportation officials and project team members on the changes impacting Kentucky freight, forecasts for future utilization, and economic development opportunities. Please click [HERE](#) to register for any or all of the sessions below. You will receive a confirmation email with a link to add the sessions to your calendar.

### **OPENING SESSION**

**Wednesday, March 24 • 10:00 AM - 10:45 AM EST**

We have invited Secretary Jim Gray from the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet and Larry Hayes, Interim Secretary of the Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development to welcome all participants and provide opening comments. This session will provide an overview of the summit and an update on the project.

### **2021 CHANGES IN FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION AND TRADE POLICIES**

**Wednesday, March 24 • 1:00 PM - 1:45 PM EST**

A brief update on the changes in Federal policy with the change in administration.

### **WHAT'S NEW IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD? UPDATES FROM ADJACENT STATE RIVERPORTS**

**Wednesday, March 24 • 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM EST**

Organizational, structural, and innovation investments in neighboring states will be explored with state officials.

### **FORECASTING THE FUTURE OF KENTUCKY'S FREIGHT ECONOMY**

**Thursday, March 25 • 10:00 AM - 11:45 AM EST**

Kentucky freight and riverport forecast discussion based on conceptual models looking at 2045 forecast year versus 2018.

### **HOW WILL THE FUTURE OF FREIGHT IMPACT OTHER MODAL OPERATIONS?**

**Thursday, March 25 • 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM EST**

Panel discussion on the impacts of the Kentucky freight forecast on riverports and other modes of transportation in Kentucky's freight network.

### **FREIGHT INFRASTRUCTURE NEEDS AND KENTUCKY'S FUNDING PROCESS**

**Thursday, March 25 • 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM EST**

Presentation on KYTC's funding priority process, including the Strategic Highway Investment Formula for Tomorrow (SHIFT) and the Six-Year Highway Plan (6YP) approved every two years by the General Assembly -- an interactive opportunity to identify infrastructure needs.

### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND RIVERPORT MARKETS**

**Friday, March 26 • 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM EST**

Discussion of findings from discovery sessions with economic development officials throughout the state and introduction of an economic development toolkit concept.

