

# **Freight Planning Studies Update**



#### First / Final Mile Freight Network Development

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Impact/Benefit Analysis of Truck Access Improvements in the Port of Wilmington Area



#### February 2021



#### Delaware Statewide Truck Parking Study

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# Freight & The FAST Act

- Signed into law Public Law 114-94 in 2015
- Funds surface transportation programs
- Improves mobility on America's highways
- Creates jobs and supports economic growth
- Accelerates project delivery and promotes innovation
- Added funding dedicated to freight

Added 10 Requirements to State Freight Plans

\$1.2 B / year (average), apportioned to States by formula

Fiscal year	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020					
Estimated funding (in billions)	\$1.14	\$1.09	\$1.19	\$1.34	\$1.49					
- Approx. \$4.5 million for DE, \$17 million for MD										
annually										

- 1. Freight System Trends, Needs, and Issues
- 2. Freight Policies, Strategies, and Performance Measures
- 3. Freight Network Facilities (Multi-modal & CUFC/CRFC)
- 3. National Freight Policy/Program Support
- 4. Innovative Technology Consideration

- 6. Roadway Deterioration Issues and Mitigation Strategies
- 7. Freight Mobility Issues and Mitigation Strategies
- 8. Freight Induced Congestion and Mitigation Strategies
- 9. Freight Investment Plan (Fiscally Constrained)
- 10. State Freight Advisory Committee Consultation

# Freight & The FAST Act

- 2015 Development of Delmarva Freight Plan (Updated in 2017)
- Feedback from Shippers, logistics and supply chain community
- Gave guidance on initiatives to pursue as part of Strategic Freight Goals:
  - 1. Economic Vitality
  - 2. Freight Connectivity, Mobility & Accessibility
  - 3. Safety & Security
  - 4. System Management, Operations & Maintenance
  - 5. Sustainability & Environmental Stewardship





## Project #1: Impacts/Benefits analysis of Truck Access Improvements around the Port of Wilmington Area



# #1: Impacts/Benefits analysis of Truck Access Improvements around the Port of Wilmington

#### **Project Details:**

- Evaluate and provide further analysis possible improvements in and around the Port of Wilmington area from SR 9 Corridor Master Plan and other plans/studies
- Serve as the technical analysis to analyze these ideas with a land use and transportation model-based approach.
- Capture "what-if" scenarios for which improvement(s) work best
- Provide cost estimates for these recommended improvements short/long term and low/high-cost options

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#### PORT OF WILMINGTON TRUCK PARKING STUDY

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**THE ROUTE 9 CORRIDOR** and Use and Transportation Plan



Hamilton P

Study

Area



# #1: Impacts/Benefits analysis of Truck Access Improvements around the Port of Wilmington

#### Measures of Effectiveness (MOEs) can include (but limited to) items such as:

- Changes in truck volumes along SR 9 and Terminal Ave.
- Intersection LOS along SR 9
- Travel Time changes SR 9 and Terminal Ave.
- Project Costs (CTP-level estimates)
- Air Quality emission benefits
- Other Environmental/Community impacts:

stormwater considerations, railroad impacts, utility impacts and property impacts.





Road evaluations include (but limited to):

- Pigeon Point Rd. extension to I-295
- Intersection LOS along SR 9
- Interchange between I-295 and Pigeon Point Rd.
- Pyles Lane
- Connection between Garasches Lane and Terminal Avenue

# #1: Impacts/Benefits analysis of Truck Access Improvements around the Port of Wilmington

#### **Project Timeline:**

			MONTH						
TASK	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	Мау	June
Task 1: Develop list of possible roadway improvements for consideration									
Task 2: Perform impacts and benefits analysis									
Task 3: Present Findings						+			
Task 4: Prepare Draft Report									
Task 5: Final Report								+	

Outreach efforts:

- 2 Public Workshops (tentatively March. and May)
- Formation of a small project workgroup individuals representing the impacted community, elected officials as well as impacted businesses and institutional entities. First Meeting held on 2/15/21
- Regular updates at SR 9 CMC/SWPN meetings
- 9-11 month project schedule





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Two-part approach:

- 1. Address the requirements set by MAP-21 and Jason's Law for addressing truck parking along the interstate system
- 2. Address more localized, shorter-term truck parking and staging within the State of Delaware

#### Task 1: Truck Parking: The National Perspective

- Jason's Law, Current Major parking inventory
- National Trends

#### Task 2: Existing Local Truck Parking Conditions

- More local perspective
- Use of focus group

### Task 3: Overnight Parking Analysis

- Examine concentration of overnight parking (designated/undesignated)
- Seasonal variations and industry patterns

### **Task 4: Findings and Focus Group Workshop**

- Possible physical/technology changes

### Task 5: Strategies and Recommendations



#### **Overall objective:**

 Address overnight parking hotspots as well as more localized, shorter-term truck parking and staging needs within the State of Delaware. An additional focus of this effort will include regular engagement with the local trucking community to help validate future strategies and recommendations.



#### Impacts of Inadequate Truck Parking



#### **Existing Local Truck Parking Conditions**

- Almost exclusively private parking facilities
- Large facilities in MD and NJ along I-95 & I-295
- Emerging smaller short-term locations (Wawa, Royal Farms)
- Do we have an Hours of Service (HOS) or a staging issue?

#### Total Public, and Private Truck Parking Locations in Delaware





#### Task 3: Overnight Parking Analysis

- Several new data sources available
- Parking data by:
  - Duration
  - Location
  - Frequency
  - Time of Day
  - Concentration of vehicles



#### Streelight





#### **INRIX GPS Location & Tracking**

Task 3: Overnight Parking Analysis

Zero in on
Undesignated Parking
Area Clusters



#### Schedule

- 12-14 months
- Multiple Technical memos and working papers throughout project Paper #1 nearly complete
- Use of focus group comprised of members for the trucking industry and DMTA
- Early March Focus group being scheduled
- March/April Outreach period use of wikimap tool

Task Number	Description	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Task 0	Project Management			-	-	_	-			_	_	_	
Task 0.1	Project Kick-Off Meeting				-	-	-				- /		
Task 0.2	Develop and Revise Work Plan						-						
Task 0.3	Working Group Meetings					-				1.00			
Task 0.4	Ongoing Project Management												
Task 1	Truck Parking: The National Perspective												
Task 1.1	Literature Review									-			
Task 1.2	Assess commercial motor vehicle volume												
Task 1.3	Review existing truck parking inventory for Delaware and neighboring states										1		
Task 1.4	Summarize National/Regional Freight Trends									-			
Task 1.5	Technical Memo 1: National and Regional Perspective on Delaware Truck Parking												
Task 2	Existing Local Truck Parking Conditions												
Task 2.1	Inventory and map private and publicly-owned facilities												
Task 2.2	Evaluate demand for hours of service parking and staging area parking	-											
Task 2.3	Identify truck parking patterns		1								1		
Task 2.4	Plan for focus group to validate initial findings								1.				
Task 3	Overnight Parking Analysis												
Task 3.1	Identify overnight truck parking clusters												
Task 3.2	Link parking utilization to freight generators and destinations					-							
Task 3.3	Identify truck parking strengths and weaknesses												
Task 3.4	Observe and report on existing conditions at parking facilities										1-1		
Task 3.5	Technical Memo 2: Strengths, Weaknesses, and Opportunities of Truck Parking		1								1		
Task 4	Initial Findings and Focus Group Workshop												
Task 4.1	Facilitate initial focus group meeting												
Task 4.2	Begin developing initial recommendations												
Task 5	Strategies and Recommendations												
Task 5.1	Develop strategies and solutions												
Task 5.2	Assign high level costs to recommended solutions												
Task 5.3	Outline implementation Recommendations												
Task 5.4	Technical Memo 3: Draft Strategies and Recommendations												
Task 5.5	Facilitate second focus group meeting		1						-1	-			
Task 6	Final Report												
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Task 6.2	Final Report												

#### Legend

Work Activity Deliverable Meeting



#### First / Final Mile Freight Network Development

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## #3: Statewide First/Final Mile Freight Network Development What is a "first / final mile"????

## - Road segment that is the first/last link to truck generating facilities

- Mostly a Collector/Local Road
- Usually in close residential area
- Usually carry high truck % vs. similar routes
- Most are not understood or well defined
- Lack attention from decision makers
- Not fully aware of the importance of freight to the economy of the region and to the Nation as a whole
- Can be poor condition/ functionality obsolete geometry
- Inadequate turning radii
- Inadequate shoulder width / stabilized shoulders
- Lack of lane width
- Drainage/Flooding

**Bottom Line:** These segments usually support multiple users including passenger vehicles, bicycles, and pedestrians, and may not have been initially designed to easily accommodate truck traffic effectively, creating delays which cost both time and money



#### **Newport Area** Romax Access Rds. (Lindberg/Mac Arthur) **Local Examples** 310102110 Town of Newport Twinco **South Newark** Romax DE\_Hierarchy United Refrigeration - Primary Secondary **Residential Area** Tertiary **Final Mile** @ 2020 Mkm of Corporation @ 2020 Maray @CNES (202 Paper signs displayed at TRUCK TRAFFIC entrance ALL truck carriers should be using Commercial) LINDBERG AVE to enter and leave Industrial twincoromax. **Business** TO: ALL TRUCK TRAFFIC Also, our neighbors surrounding our Cluster plant are having a problem with trucks running stop signs, jumping curbs, and driving at excessive speeds. **INCOMING: TRUCKS** Please do your part and keep our SHOULD BE USING LINDBERG neighbors and their neighborhood safe. Interstate Route **OUTGOING: TRUCKS NEED** Arterial Route TO MAKE A LEFT OUT OF THE "Final Mile" DOCK TO MacArthur DR.

google.com/maps/place/Twinco+Romax/.../data=!3m8!1e2!3m6!1sAF1QipM

#### **Project Goals:**

- Create a greater understanding of Delaware's first/final mile connections that link businesses to state and national highway networks
- Help Delaware's transportation stakeholders effectively maintain and improve first/final mile freight transportation connections while balancing the needs of other transportation users including passenger traffic, bicyclists, and pedestrians.

#### Key Questions to answer:

- How should a first/final mile facility or connection be defined?
- What and where are Delaware's first/final mile facilities and connections?
- How do Delaware's first/final mile connections perform?
- How should Delaware improve and maintain its first/final mile connections? What tools do we have?
- 11-13 month project schedule



#### **Planned Outreach efforts**

- Inviting the freight community, including shippers, businesses, truck drivers and residents throughout Delaware to provide your experiences with freight movement at local level.
- Two industry focus group meetings (January & April 2021)
- Details on common problems they experience dealing with issues such as mobility, safety, infrastructure and land use compatibility.

#### Wikimap exercise

Users can add locations and descriptions of their local experiences on:

- Mobility
- Safety
- Road Condition
- Land Use Conflicts
- Draft Final Mile Connections

Accessible through project website

#### https://wikimapping.com/Delaware-Final-Mile-Public.html



Collecting Comments until 2/17/21

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WILMAPCO	How can you help??? 1. Add a comment or concern clicking on "Points"	4. For Draft Final Mile designations, click the	Map Legend	Θ	Category Mobility	Examples Tight turns, poor geometry, congestion		
First/Final	tab below and choose type of comment/ concern 2. Describe conditions you experience	"Routes" feature to add suggestions		9		Speeding, sight lines, frequent crashes and bike/ped conflicts		
Mile Study		Interstates/Expressways		A	Road Conditions	Poor pavement, bridge conditions		
Outreach	3. View other comments and give added feedback to locations that have been	Major Arterials			Land Use Conflicts	Noise/air quality issues, residential and community conflicts (i.e. schools, parks, etc)		
	identified.	Dialt I mai whe wetwork		<b>FB</b> <sub>3</sub>	Final Mile Network	Comments on Draft Route designations		





## **Questions?**

**Project Pages:** 

Impacts/Benefits analysis of Truck Access http://www.wilmapco.org/port analysis

Delaware Truck Parking Study http://wilmapco.org/truckparking

Delaware First/Final Mile http://www.wilmapco.org/finalmile

https://wikimapping.com/Delaware-Final-Mile-Public.html



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