

# DELMARVA FREIGHT STUDY

## PURPOSE

To comprehensively evaluate the multimodal freight transportation system and related operations on the Delmarva Peninsula, determine its effect on the environment and economic development, and develop and assess future planning scenarios to identify priorities for relevant investment and regulation changes.

## REGIONAL MPO'S

DVRPC  
WILMAPCO  
BMC  
WASHCOG  
Hampton Roads  
South Jersey TPO

## STAKEHOLDERS

Agency  
Industry  
Shipper

## KEY TASKS

- Conduct agency, industry, and shipper outreach
- Develop CUBE Cargo Model
- Generate preliminary freight forecasts and evaluations
- Prepare future planning scenarios and sensitivity analysis
- Address final policy, economic, and transportation plans

## GOALS & OBJECTIVES

- Freight Connectivity, Mobility & Accessibility
- Safety & Security
- Sustainability & Environmental Stewardship
- Economic Vitality
- System Management, Operations & Maintenance

Study Area =  
5978 sq. mi.

Total Population of Study  
Area (2010 US Census) =  
1,402,652

# DELMARVA CARGO MODEL

## PURPOSE & NEED

Forecast current and future freight movement in the Delmarva Peninsula, by commodity groups and mode of travel  
Accurately capture inter-modal transfer of goods and freight system performance  
Test impacts of decisions such as infrastructure investments, regulations and modal enhancements.

## MODEL HIGHLIGHTS

Three-level CUBE CARGO Model (National, Regional, Delmarva)  
Multimodal freight options (Truck, Rail, Air, Water/Port, Pipeline)  
Freight Movement at key intermodal transfer centers (Warehouses, Distribution Centers, Rail Yards, Ports)  
Capture of local deliveries and long haul trips

## MODEL INPUT

Zonal level socioeconomic data (population, employment)  
National Planning Highway, Rail, Water networks  
TRANSEARCH commodity flow data  
Time and cost for each mode  
Establishment Survey

## MODEL OUTPUT

Long Haul direct flows by mode  
Long Haul to/from TLN flows by mode  
Short Haul flows by truck and commodity class  
Short Haul to/from TLN flows by commodity class

## CARGO MODEL NETWORK



For more details and additional material regarding the project, please check the MAPCO website at <http://www.wilmapco.org/fwg/>

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