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RECAP OF LAST MEETING

• What we heard...
• Safety and Security
• Reliability and Efficiency
• Preservation and Improved Access and Connectivity
• Quality of Life and Environmental Stewardship
• Mobility and Economic Competitiveness and Development
1. **Further develop and expand rail-based economic activity across Oklahoma and the region.**

   - **Objectives:**
     - Expand rail capacity to promote and meet projected growth in freight and passenger demand.
2. Maintain and develop a dynamic rail system that provides safe, efficient, and reliable movement of people.

- **Objectives:**
  - Provide a safe and secure rail system that employs advances in rail technology to protect both people and assets.
  - Recommend rail as part of a multi-modal transportation vision and comprehensive funding strategy throughout Oklahoma.
  - Create a cohesive door-to-door passenger network that grows with Oklahoma.
  - Re-establish passenger rail service where supported by demand.
  - Expand metropolitan area transportation options available for residents and visitors.
  - Continue use of federal policy-compliant project development procedures to advance viable passenger rail concepts.
  - Integrate Oklahoma's major population centers into the national passenger rail system.
3. Maintain and develop a dynamic rail system that provides safe, efficient, and environmentally sound movement of goods.

- Objectives:
  - Provide a safe and secure rail system that employs advances in rail technology to protect both people and assets.
  - Comply with all Federal Railroad Administration policies, procedures, and regulations.
  - Cost-effective programs to preserve the existing freight rail network and to meet expected future rail network capacity needs, including addressing potential chokepoints in the system.
  - Upgrade rail infrastructure as required to permit universal accommodation of higher capacity rail rolling stock and higher operating densities.
4. Identify, develop, and secure funding that promotes and enhances rail system investment.

- Objectives:
  - Identify stable and sufficient funding secured for a program of rail investments to support operating, constructing, and maintaining Oklahoma’s rail network.
  - Develop statutory authority to enable the use of innovative funding sources such as public-private partnerships.
  - Secure additional funding for high-priority highway-rail grade crossing improvements that protects the public and enhances rail service.
5. Promote the understanding of both rail service as a cost-effective, safe, secure, environmentally sound, and energy efficient means of improving freight and passenger mobility, as well as its importance to Oklahoma’s economy.

- Objectives:
  - Promote effective safety and security partnerships with passenger and freight railroads.
  - Provide an open door to ODOT’s planning process, and transparency in communicating with and educating the public.
  - Foster an appreciation of short and longer-term rail-related benefits by elected officials, the business community, and the public.
  - Implement an expedited decision-making process to advance beneficial rail projects.
  - Create an understanding by elected officials, the business community, and the public of where and when passenger rail service is a viable transport alternative.
  - Generate an awareness of agriculture-related rail issues in Oklahoma by elected officials, the business community, and the public.
  - Continue education on the benefits of rail transportation and the opportunities to integrate rail and other modes of transportation.
• We’ll see you back in 15 minutes!
NEXT STEPS & WRAP-UP

OKLAHOMA Transportation