

Linking Ohio

3C “Quick Start”

**Enhancing infrastructure, creating more jobs,
and providing more meaningful travel options**

A Linking Ohio update

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Summary of Presentation

- ✓ Campaign activities update
- ✓ Infrastructure is a job creator
- ✓ A better, more efficient freight system
- ✓ A collaborative Ohio: Linking Ohio's great assets
- ✓ A meaningful option for 6.8 million Ohioans



Voicing support: digital grassroots effort

- ✓ LinkingOhio.com – All Aboard Ohio campaign w/ 13,900 supporters
- ✓ 20,000 letters of support sent to federal, state legislators
- ✓ 2000+ petitioners; 2,700 Linking Ohio fans; 2,900 3CisMe fans
- ✓ Campaign is informational and educational



Infrastructure is a job creator!

- ✓ Repeatedly proven: focusing on infrastructure is a job creator
- ✓ Investment in the 3C Quick Start Project is no different
- ✓ Immediate (255) and sustained job creation (8,000 spin-off)
- ✓ Ohio is home to 225 rail industry suppliers, employing 26,000+
- ✓ 3C to enhance this industry as a powerful economic driver for Ohio

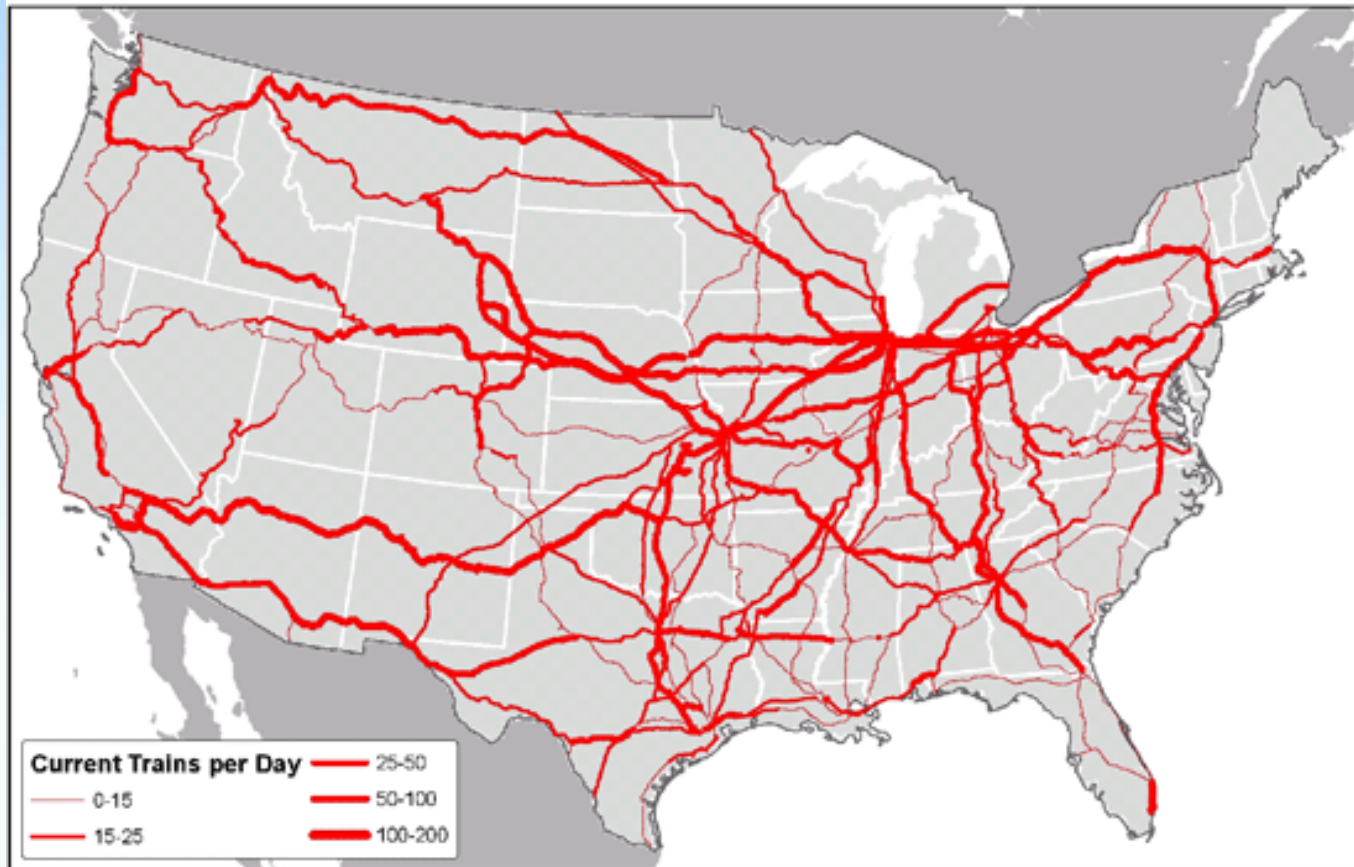


A better, more efficient freight system

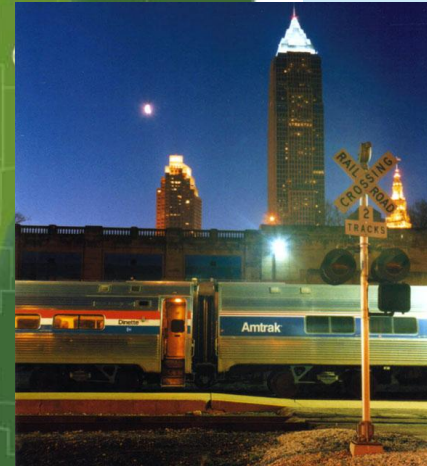
- ✓ U.S. upgrading distribution system – Eastern ports, Midwest freight
- ✓ Requires continued transportation investment within Ohio
- ✓ Road, air, water and rail \$\$\$ = keeping Ohio's global edge in future
- ✓ Ohio's commitment to restoring passenger rail will also provide needed upgrades to our freight infrastructure
- ✓ \$200M for 3C rail infrastructure; adds to \$370M for CLE-TOL-CHI



A better, more efficient freight system-2



3C passenger rail will link Ohio



3C passenger rail will link Ohioans to:

- ✓ Four large metropolitan areas in a relatively small state
- ✓ 40+ universities, 220,000+ students within 10 miles of eight stations
- ✓ World-class health care to benefit from statewide collaboration
- ✓ Cutting-edge tech – Battelle, Edison, TechColumbus, 3rd Frontier
- ✓ Entertainment/tourism – seven major league teams, Air Force Museum, RRHOF, Freedom Center, parks, arts communities



A meaningful option for 6.8 million of us

- ✓ 8½ to 14 cents/mile by rail vs. 54 cents/mile by car (AAA)
- ✓ Competitive travel times – ORDC technical team ID'd time savings
Now: 2:30 COL to Metro CLE; 4:55 Metro CIN to Metro CLE;
- ✓ Of the 12 state-sponsored rail services started in the last 30 years, 3C will be faster than all but three (based on intro average speeds)
- ✓ Productive travel – work, study, meet, eat, drink, text, surf Web etc
- ✓ Convenient connections – Transit systems have committed to provide local bus connections with 3C trains at all stations



Spin-off benefits emerging already!

- ✓ Developer interest in 3 Miami Valley station sites: Downtown Dayton, Riverside-AFB & Downtown Springfield
- ✓ Forest City Enterprises partnering with City of Riverside on “town center” station-area development on 22 acres
- ✓ \$600K plan underway for Riverside-AFB station-area development
- ✓ Developer interest in Sharonville station-area



Ohioans want passenger rail!

- ✓ In 2009, Amtrak ridership to/from Ohio rose 10% (driving fell 1.5%)
- ✓ 2009 Amtrak Ohio ridership: 128,174
- ✓ Ohio has just seven train stations, 5 daily trains, all serve Ohio between the hours of 11:30 p.m. and 7 a.m.
- ✓ Amtrak reviewing Ohio routes, schedules to link with 3C trains
- ✓ Provide cities like Toledo with more convenient services



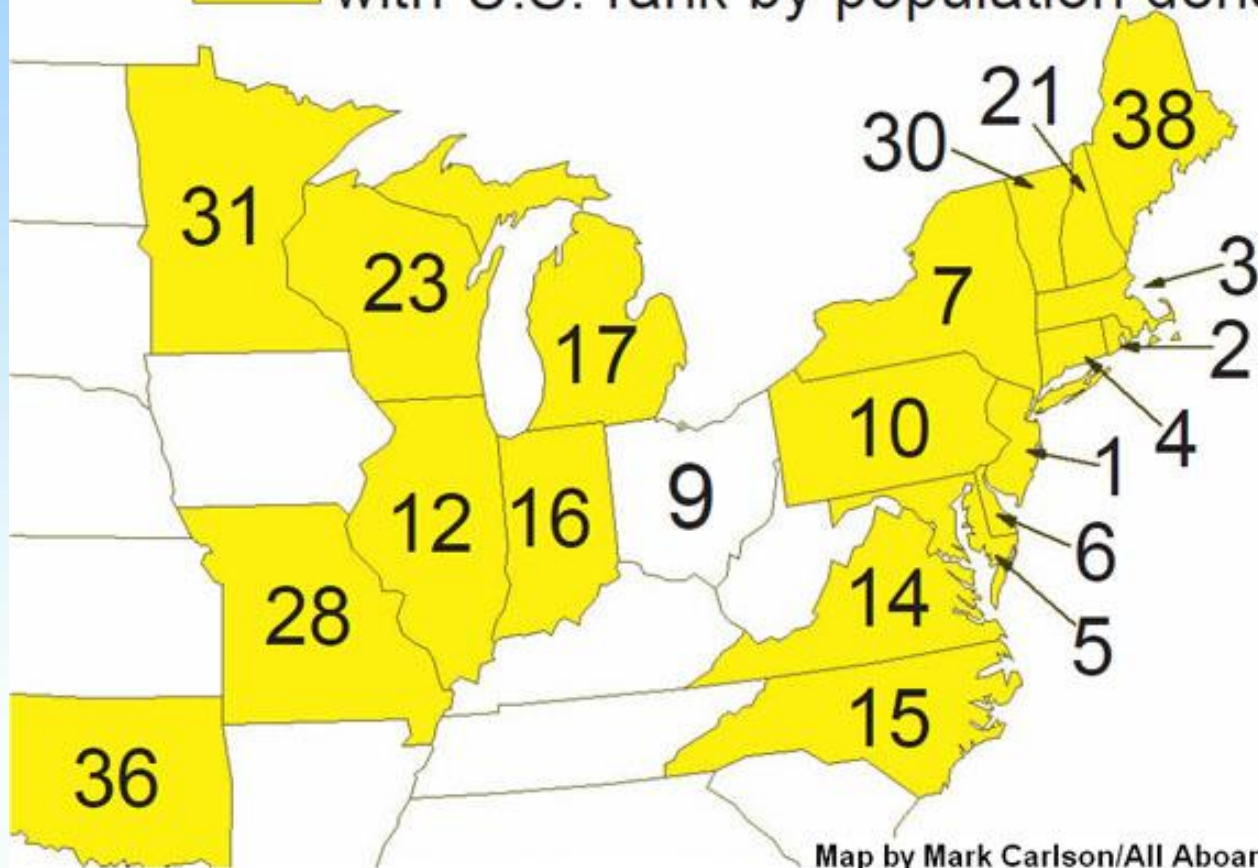
Ohioans deserve quality travel choices!

- ✓ Of the 17 most densely populated states, only Hawaii and Ohio have no state-sponsored passenger rail services
- ✓ Gas prices kissing \$3 per gallon; not yet summer driving season
- ✓ Ohio's recovery will not be fully realized unless we diversify our transportation system
- ✓ Would Ohio have refused Eisenhower's Interstate highway money because it would have to plow the roads?



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States supporting passenger trains,
with U.S. rank by population density



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