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DATE: March 11, 2022
TO: Transit and Rail Advisory Committee
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SUBJECT: 2022 Statewide Freight and Passenger Rail Plan Update

Purpose

Provide update on the 2022 update to the Statewide Freight and Passenger Rail Plan, last updated in 2018.

Action

For informational purposes only.

Background

Per FRA guidelines, CDOT DTR is kicking off the process of updating the Statewide Freight and Passenger Rail Plan. This plan was last updated in 2018 and is required to be updated every four years. The primary goals of this document, as described by FRA include:

- Setting forth State policy involving freight and passenger rail transportation, including commuter rail operations, in the State
- Establishing the period covered by the State rail plan
- Presenting priorities and strategies to enhance rail service in the State that benefits the public
- Serving as the basis for Federal and State rail investments within the State

Details

DTR staff have reviewed FRA's guidelines and begun internal and external stakeholder coordination to kick-off the Rail Plan update. Staff envision this project to be a targeted update to the previous plan with the latest information on rail projects and investments.

Staff are currently creating a Scope of Work to enlist consultant support. The exact procurement method has not yet been determined.

Next Steps (if applicable)

DTR staff will continue to refine Scope and Work and determine the optimal procurement methodology. Staff will update TRAC once a consultant is brought on-board and work commences.

If any TRAC members would like to more actively participate in the Plan Update, please contact Peter Hadley.

Attachments

PowerPoint, 2022.3.11_TRAC Update_Freight and Passenger Rail Plan