

Problem Statements from the Freight Needs Input – 2035 Long Range Plan

Rank*	Grouping	Problem Statement
H	Intermodal Facilities - Air	Opportunity to expand our air facilities as intermodal hubs
L	Intermodal Facilities - Port	Improve utilization of and maintain access to water transport
H	Intermodal Facilities - Rail	Improve multimodal access to rail freight transportation
M	Intermodal Facilities - General	Improve intermodal connectivity
M	Intermodal Facilities - Conflicts	Conflicts between water & rail, water & highway modes
H	Grade Separations	Conflicts between rail & highway and rail & rail
H	Economic Development	Utilize/improve freight transport to support economic development
H	Rail - Opportunities	Opportunities to increase usage of railfreight
L	Rail - Capacity	Lack of freight rail capacity
H	Truck - Connectivity/Access	Ongoing attention and improvements to highway/street access and connectivity for truck traffic
H	Truck - Capacity/Congestion	Congestion and insufficient road capacity relating to trucks
L	Truck - Community Impact	Trucks negatively impact community
M	Truck - Safety	Safety issues from mixing truck and car traffic
H	Truck - Maintenance/Infrastructure	Need to maintain and upgrade infrastructure for trucks
H	Truck - NHS Connectors	Improve last mile/surface road connectors to intermodal facilities
M	Air - Capacity/Opportunity	Increase airport capacity, and opportunity for expansion of air freight mode and related development
M	Water - Opportunity	Opportunity to expand waterborne freight movement
L	Water - St Lawrence Seaway	St Lawrence Seaway can't handle large vessels
M	Water - Maumee River	Problems keeping river channel open

*** High, Medium or Low importance for meeting the freight goal: "This region will be a world-class multi-modal freight transportation hub."**