

On the Move Plan -- Freight Goal Group

Goal: World class intermodal freight hub

Problem Statement	Project	Initiative	Policy
Opportunity: Lake Erie West (LEW) Global Logistics Center			
Implement Lake Erie West Global Logistics Center		Identify needed improvements/ resources; support public \ private infrastructure investment for 4 sites & connectivity between sites (on public roads and off-road)	
LEW 1: Toledo Express Global Logistics Park (Transportation Opportunity District)			
Expand air facilities as intermodal hubs, with good road access	US 20A, from I-475 to Toledo Express: Relocate, widen & limited access for improved access to freight terminals	Develop Toledo Express Airport as a major intermodal hub -- including needed infrastructure improvements	
	Extend north-south runway		
	Build US 20A / I-475 interchange		
	Redevelop private roads providing access to air freight facilities at Toledo Express		
LEW 2: Trans-Pacific Inland Port (Erie Township, MI)			
Increase use of & multi-modal access to rail freight	Access to Inland Port: I-75 ramps in Erie Twp -- widen to 4-5 lanes	Support development of Trans-Pacific Inland Port (Canadian National container facility)	
	Upgrade utilities / entrance roads (From I-75 to Inland Port)		
LEW 3: Golden Triangle Distribution Corridor			
Improve intermodal connectivity and highway access	Improve local roads off SR 795 serving industry	Extend Michigan weight limit to SR 795 (Golden Triangle distribution center)	
		Access management &/or limited access, SR 795 (esp. Tracy to Lime City Road)	

LEW 4: Toledo Seaport

Opportunity to expand waterborne freight movement		Extend shipping season: international cooperation on research towards year-round shipping (important for Short Sea Shipping). Include new maintenance system for Canada's Welland Canal (uses 3-mo. winter shutdown to maintain 22 locks)	Actively pursue increased funding for dredging
			Increase rail access to seaport
			Extend shipping season: breakwater ice protectors for power plants/ locks/ other facilities along lake/ Seaway/ river
			Support maximized use of the Seaway / Great Lakes water system

Opportunity: Automotive Industry

Improve multimodal access to rail freight transportation	Eliminate rail/highway conflict that impedes access to proposed Jeep supplier park	Market big 3 automakers - get them to put distribution in Toledo, not in Detroit (like Fostoria's mixing facility), or large scale, multi company mixing facility	
		Identify / research our logistics competitive advantage	
		Research container / intermodal moves to Chrysler	

Opportunity: Air Freight

Opportunity for expansion of air freight mode			Support increased airport capacity at airports throughout the region for the expansion of airfreight and related activities
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Opportunity: Rail Freight

Opportunities to increase rail freight use, and reduce conflicts	Bigger better intermodal terminal	Research alternatives to local inability to control crossing blockages at higher governmental levels	Nationalize railroad infrastructure
	Vickers crossing (flyover)		Support implementation of "Ohio Hub Study" (will increase freight capacity)

Opportunity: Highway / Trucking

Improve road access and capacity for trucks, and reduce modal conflicts	McCord Road Separation	Market unique advantages of Turnpike	Turnpike: policy for "Easy Pass" and quantity discounts (political pressure)
	Reconstruct Alexis Road pavement, Hagman to US 23	For inclusion in planning work program: obtain and analyze data pertaining to car / truck crashes	Require Agri-business to meet same constraints as other industries - eliminate exemptions that allow producers to use township roads without defraying costs of upgrades and maintenance
	Summit St. separation or completion of Buckeye Basin	Research impact of turnpike tolls on economic competitiveness	Change Turnpike mission to support local development
	Consaul St separation	Study need/feasibility of limited access Hwy east-west connector, I-75 to US 23 (Michigan)	Increase federal funding to construct/maintain NHS connectors at top level of functionality
	Efficient road connector (new NHS connector) from I-75 to US Post Office & MLK Plaza	Evaluate / upgrade SR 295 from US 24 to SR 2	Support the development of a new Canadian border crossing
	Widen Disalle bridge I-75	Investigate the utility of truck-only lanes	Support real time info via ITS that is suitable to trucker needs
	Improve ramps South Ave / I-75		
	Improve on ramp Miami St. to south bound I-75		
	New I-75 interchange, north side Bowling Green		
	Widen I-475		
Upgrade I-80/90 / I -75 interchange			