



# 2024 State Rail Plan

Kickoff Presentation FAC Meeting



12/15/2023

Modal Transportation  
Rail & System Planning

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## Agenda

What is the State  
Rail Plan?

How do we use it?

Development  
Process

Timeline





**Iowa State Rail Plan  
Final**

## 2017 State Rail Plan

- Amended 2021
- 615 Pages

## Timeline

- December 2023 Kickoff Sessions
- Stakeholder Engagement
- Submission to FRA – Jan 2025



# Engagement Plan



**MPOs and  
RPAs  
(Cities and  
Counties)**

**Rail  
Advisory  
Council  
(RAC)**

**Freight  
Advisory  
Council  
(FAC)**

**Passenger  
Rail  
Advisory  
Council**

**DOT Staff**

December 13, 2023  
March 20, 2024  
June 19, 2024

December 14, 2023  
March 7, 2024

December 15, 2023  
March 8, 2024  
June 14, 2024

Spring 2024

Ongoing

## Stakeholder Groups

- Rail Advisory Council (RAC)
  - Iowa's Vision, Goals, and Objectives for Rail Transportation
  - Transload/Intermodal Improvements
  - Economic Impacts and Opportunities
  - Rail Tourism
- Freight Advisory Council
  - Iowa's Vision, Goals, and Objectives for Rail Transportation
  - Transload/Intermodal Improvements
  - Freight Terminal Performance

## Stakeholder Groups

- MPOs and RPAs (Local Governments)
  - Iowa's Vision, Goals, and Objectives for Rail Transportation
  - Transload/Intermodal Improvements
  - Rail Safety
  - Local Land Use Issues
  - Rail Tourism
- Passenger Rail Advisory Council (PRAC)
  - Iowa's Vision, Goals, and Objectives for Rail Transportation
  - Improvements for Existing Passenger Service
  - Proposals for New Passenger Service
  - Rail Tourism
- DOT Staff



# Mentimeter Exercise

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*Thank you!*

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**Questions?**



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