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**Passenger Rail Initiative
Production Schedule and
Upcoming Action Items**

January 27, 2022

Current Progress



July 2021

Expanded Committee scope to include passenger rail



November 2021

Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act increased available funding for expanding passenger rail



January 2022

Discuss best practices and successful efforts to expand passenger rail



April 2022

Workshop on how to incorporate passenger rail into the Committee's strategic direction



Example Committees

Collaborative efforts/alliances that promote passenger rail interests:

1. State-Amtrak Intercity Passenger Rail Committee (SAIPRC)
2. Southern Rail Commission (SRC)
3. States for Passenger Rail Coalition (SPRC)
4. San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission (SJRRC)



Best Practice – Shared-Use Agreements

- Capital
 - Understanding
 - Capacity
 - Maintenance
 - Modeling
 - Expectations
- **Capital Corridor – California**
 - San Jose to Sacramento
 - Amtrak runs service for Caltrans on Union Pacific tracks
 - **Seattle Sounder – Washington**
 - BNSF owns the track and operates service for Sound Transit
 - **Metra – Illinois**
 - Contracts with BNSF and Union Pacific to operate service

Align efforts with USDOT and FDOT

- **FRA** – Federal-State Partnership for Intercity Passenger Rail
- **FRA** – Corridor Identification and Development Program
- **FDOT** – Updates State Rail Plan every 5 years
- **FDOT** – Funds and finances identified rail projects through the Work Program
- **MPOAC** – Provide input on FDOT rail freight and passenger planning activities
- **MPOAC** – Provide input on potential passenger and intercity rail expansion projects in Florida