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Securing the Benefits of Commerce to
North America's Energy & Agricultural Heartland

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Ports-to-Plains: Staying Current

For the past fourteen weeks, many media outlets throughout the Ports-to-Plains region have published this series of articles on a weekly basis. From safety to economics and trade to funding, the Ports-to-Plains Alliance is committed to providing ongoing information about the progress of the development and impacts along the corridor.

In just the past week, staff spent a full day in Washington DC holding meetings with Congressional staff, staff from Federal Highway Administration, staff from U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and staff from the American Association of State Highway Transportation Officials (AASHTO) and National Association of Development Associations (NADO). At each meeting Ports-to-Plains Alliance focused on the importance of rural corridors like Ports-to-Plains which not only connect urban economies, but provide the resources needed to drive those economies across North America.

These efforts are ongoing and we encourage you to stay engaged. Participating in events is one way to connect and learn. The upcoming 2016 Energy and Agriculture Summit, March 30-31, 2016 in Lubbock TX, will help your community or business better understand the current economic role and potential economic impacts of energy and agriculture. As we have shown in previous articles, transportation, energy and agriculture are uniquely related.

Perhaps, participating in the Washington DC Fly-in would be of interest. Join the Ports-to-Plains Board of Directors and staff in Washington DC the week of April 18-22. If you have not done congressional office visits, do not worry, you will be teamed with seasoned veterans in each office visit. Your participation strengthens our messaging in every office across the ten-state region.

Finally, the 19th Annual Ports-to-Plains Alliance Conference will be held September 13-15, 2016 in San Angelo TX. Join us for an informative and entertaining time.

Whatever you do, stay connected. Be it events like the Town Hall meetings, local presentations, receiving our bi-weekly electronic newsletter, portstoplains.com, ptpblog.com, Facebook, Twitter or Linked-in, the Alliance is committed to ongoing communication about our activities. Just let us know how you would like to participate with us. Your support is critical to our common success.

Ports-to-Plains is a grassroots alliance of over 275 communities and businesses, including alliance partners Heartland Expressway, Theodore Roosevelt Expressway and Eastern Alberta Trade Corridor Coalition, whose mission is to advocate for a robust international transportation infrastructure to promote economic security and prosperity throughout North America's energy and agricultural heartland including Mexico to Canada. Additional information on the Ports-to-Plains Alliance is available at <http://www.portstoplains.com/>.

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