Ports to Plains Annual Conference
October 8, 2015
Williston, North Dakota
Our Mission is to assist in:

“Growing the Great Plains Region with our partner organizations through corridor development, marketing initiatives, and trade promotion opportunities nationally and internationally.”
Rapid City, SD to the Port of Raymond in MT

- Rapid City, SD on I-90 to Spearfish, SD
- Spearfish, SD on U.S. Highway 85 to Williston, ND
- Williston, ND on U.S. Highway 2 to Culbertson, MT
- Culbertson, MT on State Highway 16 to the Port of Raymond, MT
- Highway 2 is planned to be 4 laned to Culbertson
Securing the Benefits of Commerce to North America’s Energy & Agricultural Heartland

Mission:
Ports-to-Plains is a grassroots alliance of communities and businesses whose mission is to advocate for a robust transportation infrastructure to promote economic security and prosperity throughout North America's energy and agricultural heartland.
“Men make history, and not the other way around. In periods where there is no leadership, society stands still. Progress occurs when courageous, skillful leaders seize the opportunity to change things for the better.”

- Harry S. Truman
TR Expressway Board

- Bruce Houle - Culbertson, MT
- Blaise Emerson - Rapid City, SD
- Gene Veeder - Watford City, ND
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- Terry Johnson - Belfield, ND
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- Mark Sovig - Arnegaard N.D.

Executive Director

- Cal Klewin - Bowman, ND
Early Funding February 2015

Western North Dakota

- State Highways $450 million
- Counties $240 million
- Cities $282 million*
  • Sub-total = $972 million

• Central and Eastern North Dakota
  - Counties $112 million
  - Townships $16 million
  • Sub-total = $128 million

• Total = $1.1 Billion
Total Budget

• $2.26* billion for Road Projects (*numbers include state, federal & match funding)

• Western North Dakota = $1.44 * billion
  – •State Highways =$1,137.9* million
  – •Includes Early “Surge” Funding=$450 million from SB 2103
  – •Cities, Counties and Townships = $306.9 million

• Central and Eastern North Dakota = $824 million
  – •State Highways = $452.3 million
  – •Cities, Counties and Townships = $371.1 million
US 85 Construction Progress

• US 85 four lane project between Watford City and Williston – all phases under construction this year.
  ▪ Watford City to Alexander – project will be paved when conditions allow in spring/summer of this year and then all lanes opened to traffic.
  ▪ Alexander to County Road 16 – work began in August, some dirt work remains, roadway will be open to two lanes of traffic each direction by Fall 2014.
  ▪ County Road 16 to Williston - still waiting on environmental document from FHWA.
Thank You

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Theodore Roosevelt Expressway Association