Year of Change

Ports-to-Plains Leadership Changes

John Osborne
Chairman of Ports-to-Plains Alliance
President/CEO, Lubbock Economic Development Alliance
Year of Change

Changes to Executive Committee

Expanded from the Officers

- Includes representation from each Partner Organization
- Added Mayors of Lubbock, Amarillo & San Angelo
A Year of Change

Federal Consultant is Unchanged

- Served the House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee as staff for 25-years including 6-years as Chief of Staff
- Vice Chair of the National Surface Transportation Policy Commission
Year of Change

Ports-to-Plains Changes

Cheri Huddleston
Year of Change

Ports-to-Plains Staff

Duffy Hinkle
Vice President of Membership & Marketing

Joe Kiely
Vice President of Operations
Federal Advocacy

Sharing a United Message

• Support Increased Federal Infrastructure Investment

• Fix the Highway Trust Fund (HTF)

• Pay for Increased Highway Investment with User Fees (Rather Than General Funds)
Federal Advocacy

Sharing a United Message

- Support the Administration’s Infrastructure Initiative—But Only If Modified To Remove The Bias Against Rural Highways
- Support the streamlining provisions in the Administration’s Infrastructure Initiative
- Support Designation of the Ports-to-Plains Alliance Corridor if Congressional Directed Projects are Allowed
Federal Advocacy

Sharing a United Message

- Support Interstate 27 Designation of the Ports-to-Plains Corridor between Lubbock and Laredo as a Future Interstate
State Advocacy

The Alliance will continue:

- Ongoing Advocacy across the Corridor for the Development on Four-Lane Highway Improvements
- Supporting the development of reliever routes where appropriate
State Advocacy

The Alliance will continue:

• Attending Alliance Partner Events
• Reviewing documents for Alliance Partners
State Advocacy

Texas:

- Completed, under construction or programmed for letting in the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP):
  - Over $800 million and more than 370 miles of new and improved roadway, including:
    - Over 155 miles of 4-lane improvements
    - Over 180 miles of Super 2 improvements

- Planned:
  - More than $800 million and over 230 miles of new and improved roadway, including:
    - Over 41 miles of 4-lane improvements
    - Over 153 miles of Super 2 improvements
State Advocacy

Texas:

- Extension of Interstate 27 between Lubbock and Laredo
State Advocacy

Oklahoma:

- U.S. Highway 287 Overlay
State Advocacy

Oklahoma:

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BOISE CITY
State Advocacy

Colorado:

- Highway 71 Truck Diversion Study
- Proposition 110 dedicating at $0.62 State Sales Tax Rate Increase to Transportation
  - Included $357 million in Ports-to-Plains Project Funding
Thank You!

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