### **New England Railroads - The Next Generation**

New England Railroad Club
Presentation to UMass – Amherst
November 29, 2018



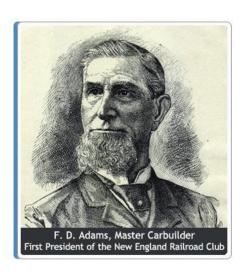
#### Introduction

- What we are going to cover:
  - New England Railroad Club and Railroading
  - Megaregions and the Northeast Corridor
  - New Start Passenger Rail Projects
  - Railroad Career Opportunities

#### Introduction

- John Read, PE, Secretary
- New England Railroad Club established in 1883 – objective "...the promotion of knowledge on all matters related to the construction, maintenance, operation and management of railroads..."
- Association is 135 years old
- First President was F. D. Adams
- Website www.nerailroadclub.com
- We recognize a need to connect with students and young professionals interested in the railroad industry





### Females and the Railroad Industry

Rebecca Lukens, 1825
 America's first Female
 CEO and Industrialist,
 supplying the Railroad industry.

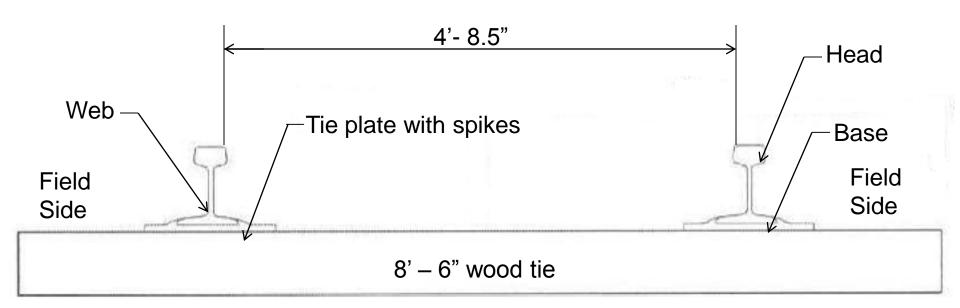
Marjorie P. Silver, NERR
 Club President 1992 1993; President Pinsly
 Railroad Company 1977
 – 2014, Member
 Woman's Transportation
 Seminar





#### What is Railroad Track?

Track Construction – Rail, Ties, Fasteners, and Ballast Standard Gauge is 4'-8½" measured 5/8" below TOR



**Ballast** 

#### **FRA Class of Track**

#### § 213.9 Classes of track: operating speed limits

9(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section and §§213.57(b), 213.59(a), 213.113(a), and 213.137(b) and (c), the following maximum allowable operating speeds apply-

[In miles per hour]

Over track that meets all of the requirements prescribed in this part for	The maximum allowable speed for freight trains is	The maximum allowable speed for passenger trains is
Excepted	10	N/A
Class 1 track	10	15
Class 2 track	25	30
Class 3 track	40	60
Class 4 track	60	80
Class 5 track	80	90

### What is Railroad Track?

#### Track Constructed to FRA Track Standards



Trains Magazine

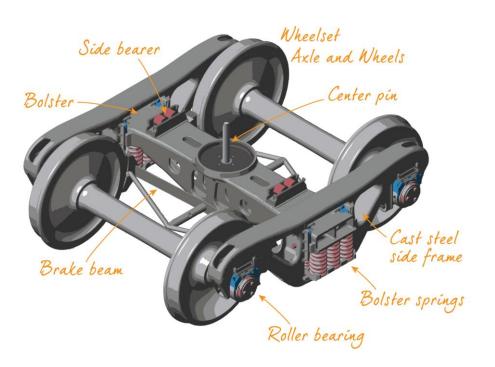
Class I – I0 mph freight I5 mph passenger



Class 3 - 40 mph freight 60 mph passenger

### What is Railroad Equipment?

Equipment - Freight/Passenger







# What is Railroad Equipment?

Example of four axle railroad hopper car



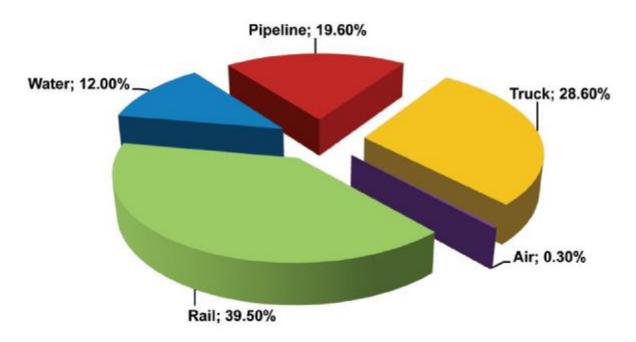
# **Freight Rail in the United States**



AAR - Railroad 101 Page – 140,000 rail miles operated by 540 private railroads

# **How Does Freight Move?**





FRA Freight Rail Overview – 40 % of US Freight moves by ton-miles (length freight travels

### Freight Rail - Class I's

 FRA Defines Class I's as railways with individual operating revenues of at least \$463.9M





- Seven Class I Railroads
  - BNSF Railway Co.
  - CSX Transportation
  - Grand Trunk Corp. (CN's US Operation)
  - Kansas City Southern Railway Co.
  - Norfolk Southern
  - Soo Line Corporation (CP's US Operation)
  - Union Pacific Railroad Co.





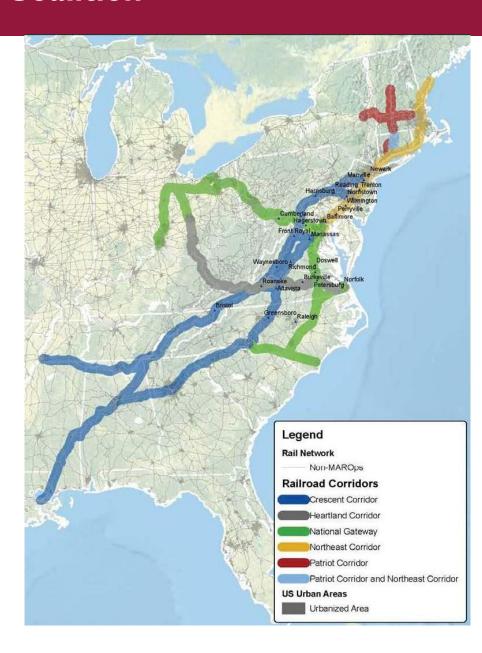




#### **I-95 Corridor Coalition**

Rail Corridors: Mid Atlantic Rail Operational Study and Northeast Rail Operation Study

- Crescent (NS)
- Hartland (NS)
- Gateway (CSX)
- Northeast (Amtrak)
- Patriot
- Knowledge



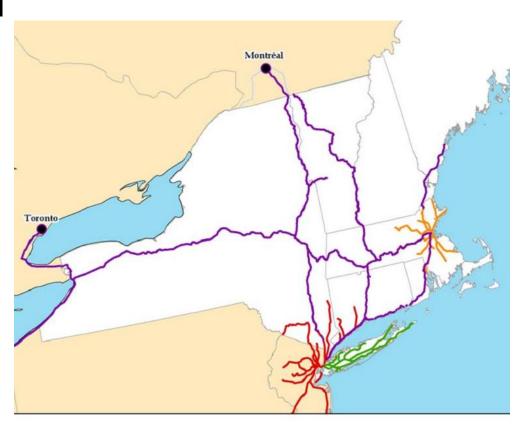
### Class I and Short Line Freight Rail in New England

- CSX Transportation
- Genesee and Wyoming
  - CSOR
  - NECR
  - P&W
  - SL&A
- Housatonic Railroad
- Pan Am Southern (NS)
- Pan Am Railways
- Vermont Rail System



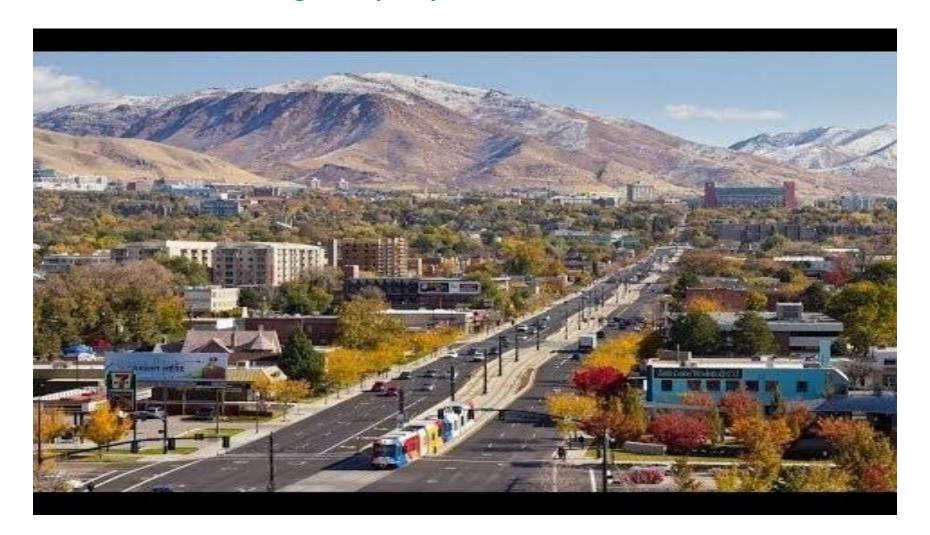
### Northeast Passenger & Transit Rail

- Intercity / Commuter Rail
  - Amtrak
  - CTrail Hartford Line
  - Downeaster
  - MBTA Commuter Rail
  - Metro North Railroad
- Transit / Light Rail
  - MBTA Boston
  - MTA NY City



# **Transportation For America**

www.t4america.org - https://youtu.be/SiB8Z0xhDY8



# Transportation for America

Discussion:

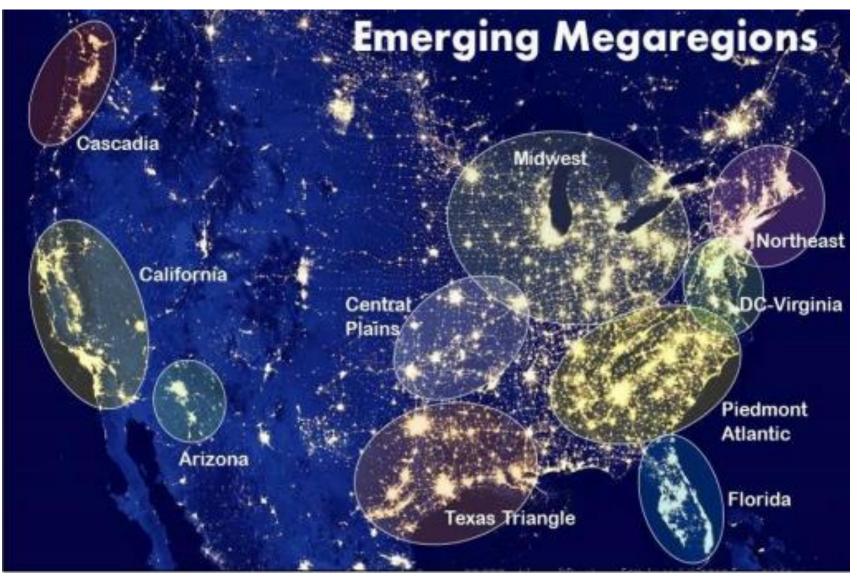
How many modes of Transportation?

• What was the video's message?

### Megaregion

- What is a Megaregion?
  - Jean Gottman, a geographer, used the term "Megalopolis" in 1961, when referring to the Northeast Megalopolis
  - Megaregion characteristics
    - Overlapping Metropolitan Areas
    - Interlocking Economic Systems
    - Shared Natural Resources
    - Common Transportation Systems
    - Blind to Political Boundaries

### **United States at Night**

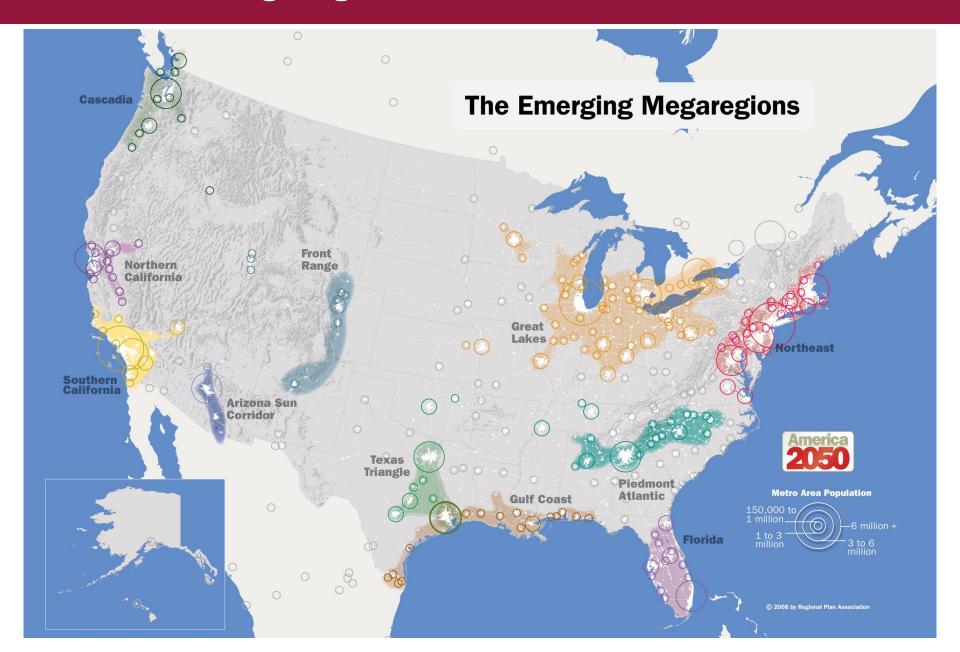


National Associations of Counties Legislative Conference, Feb 27, 2017, Washington, DC

## Megaregions - Regional Plan Association (RPA)

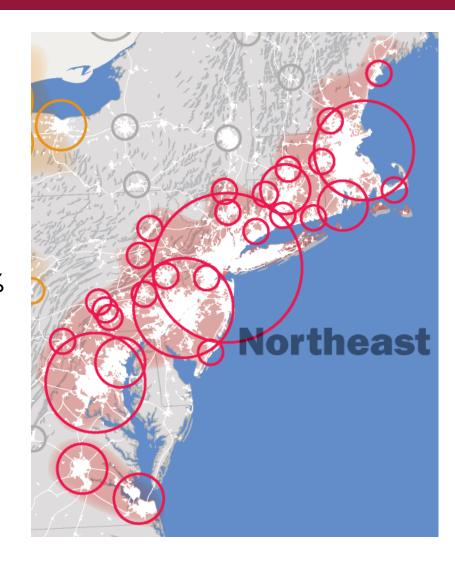
- RPA Methodology Used a scoring system to ranked counties on the basis of:
  - Existing Population
  - Employment Levels
  - Projected Population Growth
  - Projected Employment Growth
  - Connectivity
- RPA Identified Eleven Megaregions in the United States

### Megaregions in the United States



### **Northeast Megaregion**

- Northeast Megaregion Facts
  - Population (2010) of 52.3 Million –
  - I in 6 Americans
  - GDP (2010) of \$2.92 Trillion
  - U.S. GDP (2010) Economy- one-fifth of Nation's GDP
  - Projected Growth (2010-2050) 35.2% (18.4 Million)
  - World's Second Largest Megaregion
    - (Wall Street Journal 2008)
  - If an independent country
    - fifth largest economy in the world



www.america2050.org/northeast

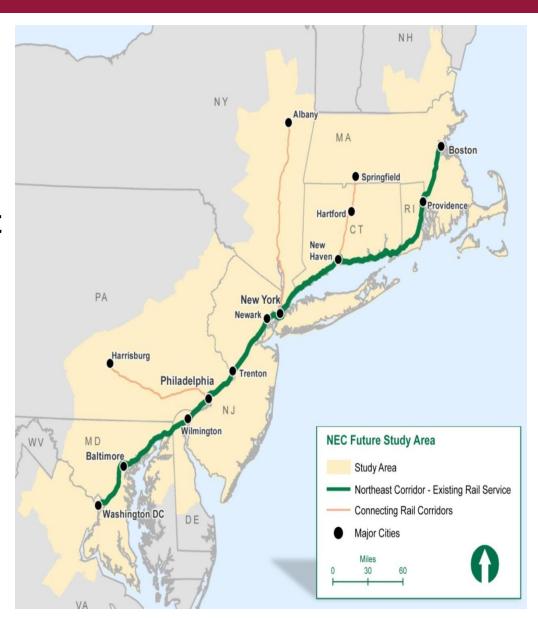
#### **Northeast Corridor**

#### **NEC Daily Figures**

- 2,220 Passenger Trains
- 720,000 passengers
- 70 Freight Trains
- 69% of combined air and rail market between Washington, DC and NY City
- 51% of combined air and rail market between NY City and Boston

#### NEC is 457 miles long

- 17 Tunnels
- I,186 bridges



### **Transit Orientated Development**

www.tod.org - https://youtu.be/iCWv0RfQzgk



### **Passenger Rail Projects**

#### All Aboard Florida

- Phase I Miami to Fort Lauderdale to West Palm Beach
- Phase 2 Orlando
  - North South
  - East West





235 MILE ROUTE



### 2018 New Start - All Aboard Florida



Fort Lauderdale Station



Passenger Coach



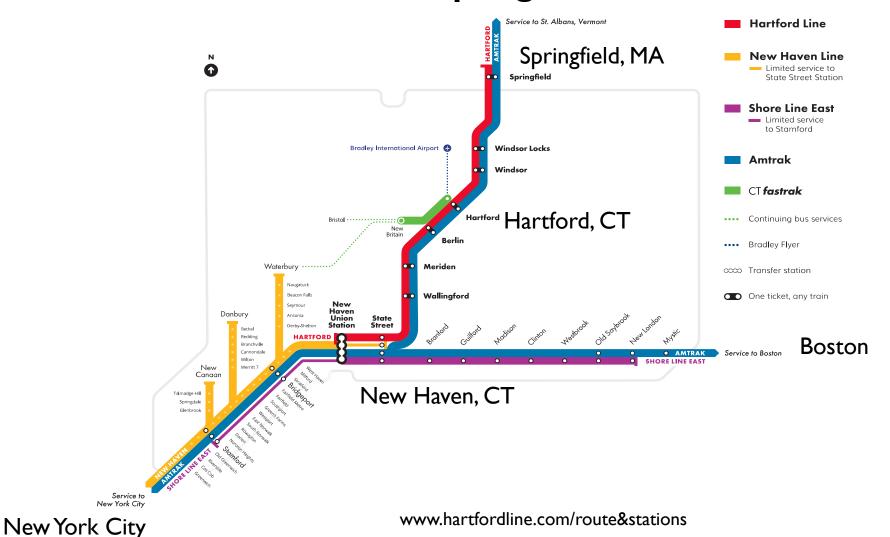
Train Arrival



Passenger 2X2 Seating

### New England Passenger Rail Project

New Haven – Hartford - Springfield



### 2018 New Start - New Haven to Springfield



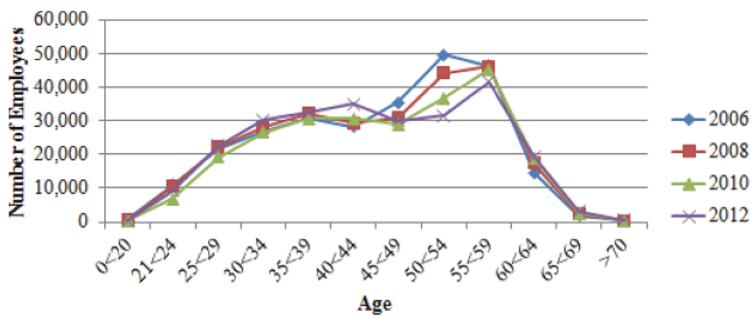


New Train Set at Wallingford, CT Station

Ticket Vending Machine

### **Career Opportunities**

### Railroad Employment Statistics



Source: Railroad Retirement Board (n.d.), Table D10.

Figure 5. Railroad employee age distribution shift, 2006–2012.

### **Association for American Railroads**

www.aar.org - <a href="https://youtu.be/NXIODIJI2-g">https://youtu.be/NXIODIJI2-g</a>



### **Career Opportunities**

#### Association of American Railroads (AAR)

# THE AVERAGE FREIGHT RAIL EMPLOYEE EARNS 65 PERCENT MORE THAN THE AVERAGE U.S. EMPLOYEE

Average Compensation of Rail Employees vs. U.S. Employees



Employee compensation on U.S. Class I freight railroads, including benefits, averaged approximately \$125,400 in 2017. Railroad jobs range from locomotive engineers, train dispatchers and maintenance professionals to law enforcement, information technology and industrial development experts.



### **Federal Railroad Administration**

www.fra.dot.org - https://youtu.be/sPgEdkEDi-M



### **Railroad Industry Disciplines**

- Engineering
  - Chemical Materials, Corrosion
  - Civil Environmental, Geotechnical, Structural, Transport
  - Electrical Computer, Power, Signal, Communications
  - Mechanical Manufacturing, Vehicle, Power Plant
  - Interdiciplinary Building Services, Industrial, Project, Software
- Administration/Operations
  - Business Administration
  - Marketing
  - Operation/Project Management
  - Public Relations/Customer Services
  - Accounting
  - Lawyer

### **New England Rail Employers**

- New England Freight Railroads
- New England Passenger and Transit Rail (previous slide)
- State Departments of Transportation
- Federal Railroad Administration
- Association of American Railroads
- Volpe Transportation Center
- Rail Operators
- Rail Consultants
- Rail Contractors

#### **NERR Club – Rail Tech Conference**

- **WHEN**: March 21, 2019
- WHERE: DCU Center in Worcester, MA
- WHAT TIME: Registration 12:00PM; 12:30PM to 5:00PM
- 30 Table Top Displays showcasing Suppliers, Engineering Firms, Transportation Organizations, and more
- Four Timely Industry Seminars (2018 Examples Improving Crossties; Drones in Railroading; FRA Human Performance; Shipper, Railroad and State Agency Partnerships)
- Who Should Attend: Active Rail Professionals; Rail Industry Suppliers; College Students; Human Resource Personnel

#### Resources

#### Internet Resources:

- www.america2050.org America2050
- www.t4america.org
   Transportation
   For America
- www.rpa.org Regional Plan Association
- www.tod.org Transit Orientated Development
- www.aar.org The Associations of American Railroads
- www.fra.dot.gov
   The Federal Railroad Administration
- www.aar.org/about-us/careers

#### Women in Rail:

 Corina Moore, President and Chief Executive Officer of Ontario Northland Transportation Commission <a href="https://www.progressiverailroading.com/people/article/LRWs-Woman-of-the-Year-Corina-Moore-breaks-rail-sectors-glass-ceiling-to-move-Ontario-Northland-forward--56117">https://www.progressiverailroading.com/people/article/LRWs-Woman-of-the-Year-Corina-Moore-breaks-rail-sectors-glass-ceiling-to-move-Ontario-Northland-forward--56117</a>

# Is a Career in Railroading for me?

# Questions and Answers