Comprehensive Regional Goods Movement Plan and Implementation Strategy

Rail Market Review

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Why focus on markets?

- Markets drive demand for rail and other transportation modes
- Determine if markets are well-served by the transportation system
- Determine how modal services are tied to the economy
- Understand how the region and the nation benefit from goods movement and the markets served by various modes

In addition, a major focus is improved mobility, safety and environment.
SCAG Truck/Rail Goods Movement

Major mode is truck, but rail plays a significant role in moving goods, especially heavier goods, to/from/within SCAG region.
Types of Rail Movements – SCAG Region

• Intermodal vs. Carload/Bulk/Other

• Overseas Intermodal vs. Domestic Intermodal

• Inbound vs. Outbound Freight Originating/Terminating in SCAG Region
Intermodal movements and heavy, lower value goods including chemicals, metals and nonmetallic minerals are key goods moved by rail in the L.A. Basin.
Rail is primarily used for long-haul shipments to and from the SCAG region, to major rail distribution points such as Chicago.