



Railroad Emissions – Background and Mitigation Options

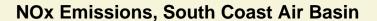


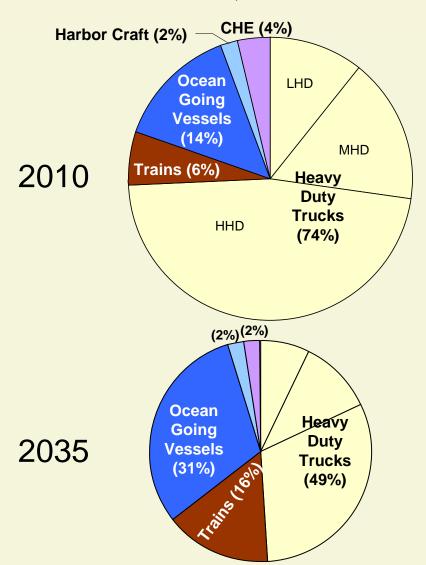
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Presentation outline

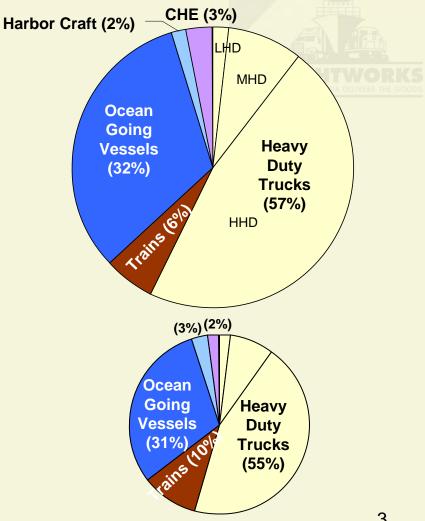
- What will affect railroad emissions over the next 25 years?
- What are the options for reducing emissions?
- Points of discussion for Steering Committee

Goods movement emissions 2010 vs. 2035

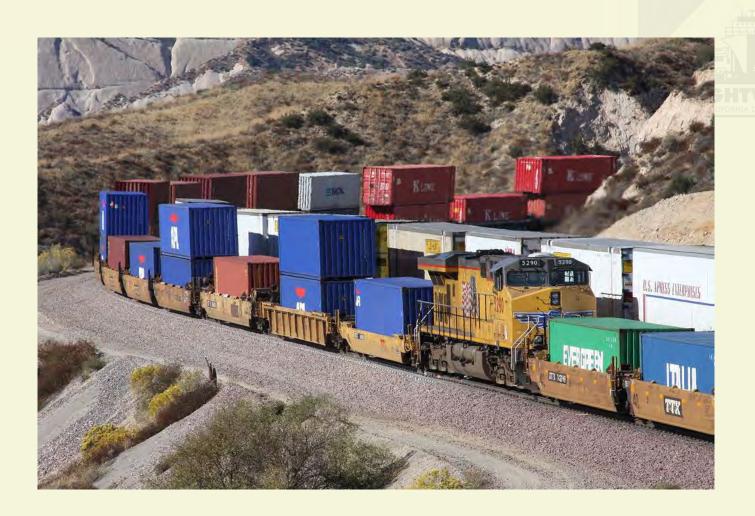




PM2.5 Emissions, South Coast Air Basin

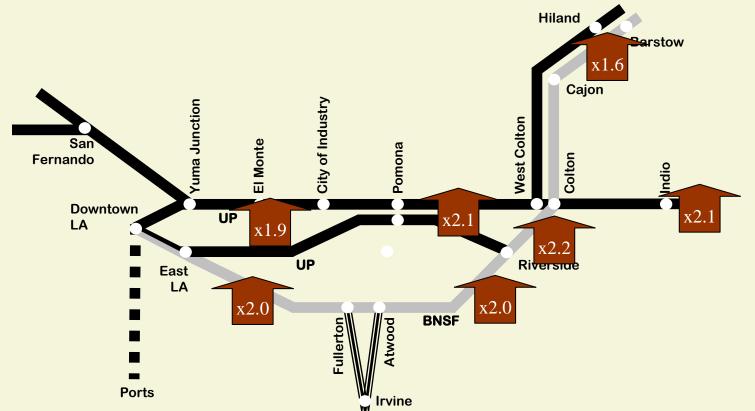


Key factors affecting rail emissions



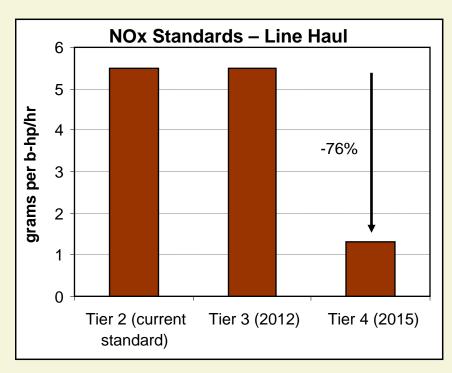
Growth in rail activity

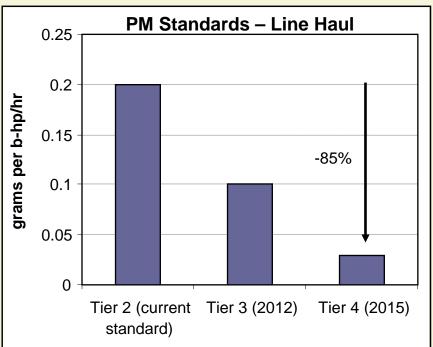
- Driven mostly by port container throughput
- Also limited growth in carload, bulk, auto traffic



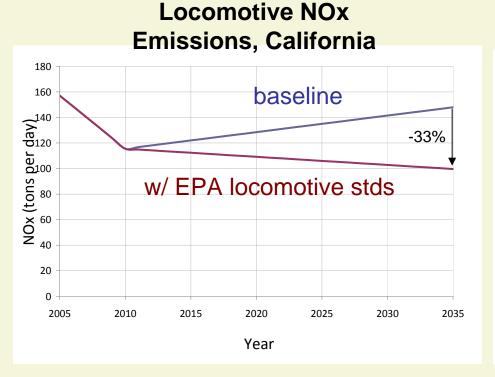
EPA locomotive emission standards

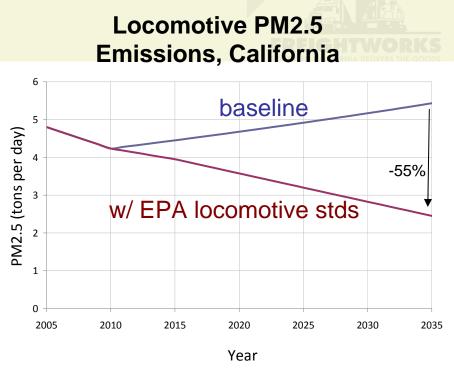
 New 2015 locomotives will have 76-85% lower emissions than Tier 2 line-haul





Effect of EPA standards





Emission reduction strategies

- Line-haul strategies
- Switcher strategies

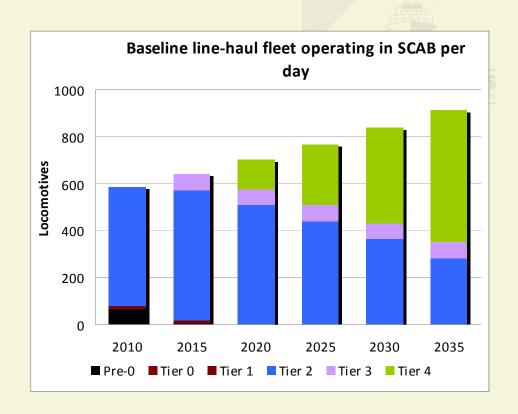


South Coast Air Basin, 2010

	NOx		PM2	PM2.5	
Locomotive Type	tons/day	percent	tons/day	percent	
Freight Line-Haul	14.3	72%	0.62	81%	
Freight Yard/Switch	2.6	13%	0.07	10%	
Passenger	2.9	14%	0.07	10%	
Total	19.7	100%	0.76	100%	

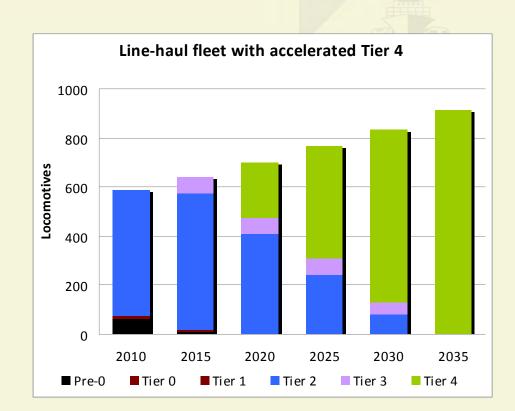
Line-haul locomotives in Basin

- Approx. 600 line-haul locos operating in SCAB on a given day
- Tier 4 locos
 - Introduction in 2015
 - 18% of fleet in 2020
 - 62% of fleet in 2035



Accelerate Tier 4 deployment

- Hypothetical goal 100% Tier 4 by 2035 implies:
 - 350 more Tier 4 locos on a given day
 - 1,400 more Tier 4locos in fleets
- Costs
 - ~\$3M per locomotive



- Challenges
 - New technology performance, uptake, and deployment uncertain

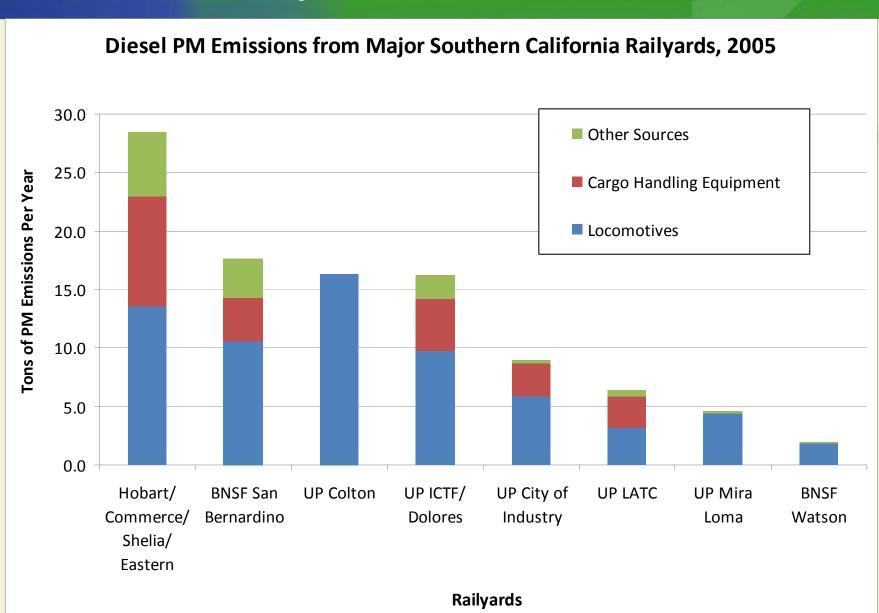
Electrification

- Challenges
 - Difficult to electrify entire system
 - Intermodal yards
 - Low volume segments
 - New technology, cost
 - Transition zone outside Basin
- Opportunities



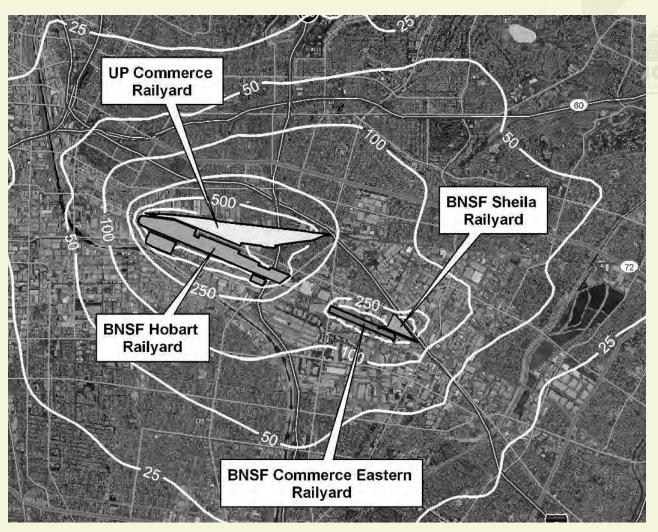


Railyard emissions

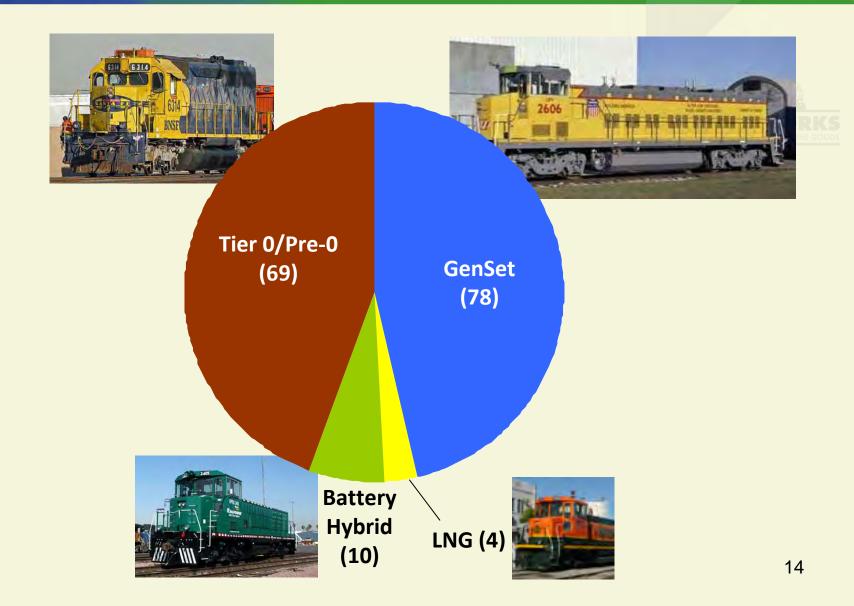


Example of railyard HRA

Estimated Potential Cancer Risks from Railyards (chances per million people), 2005

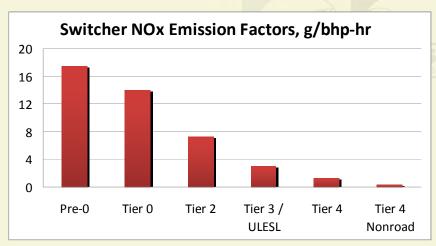


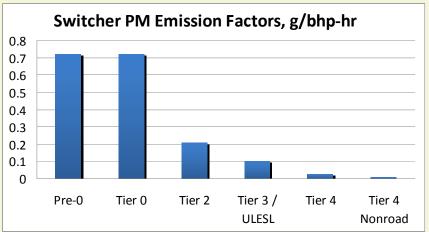
Switcher locomotives in Basin



Switcher emission reduction strategies

- Replace older switchers with GenSets
- Upgrade GenSets with exhaust retrofits
- Upgrade GenSets to Tier
 4 nonroad





Next steps for consultant team

- Refine calculations of strategy emissions benefits and costs
- Further assess operational impacts
- Implementation options in Goods Movement Plan

Discussion points

- To what extent should the Regional Goods Movement Plan incorporate railroad emission reduction strategies?
- How can the region implement accelerated locomotive turnover and/or retrofit strategies?
- How to address both regional emission reduction targets and localized health impacts?