

"This is the engine to pull jobs America's way. Our economic strength, and West Virginia's future, depend on the vitality of a national transportation system... By strengthening our transportation network, we anchor our national security."

- Congressman Nick Rahall, Ranking Member, House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee

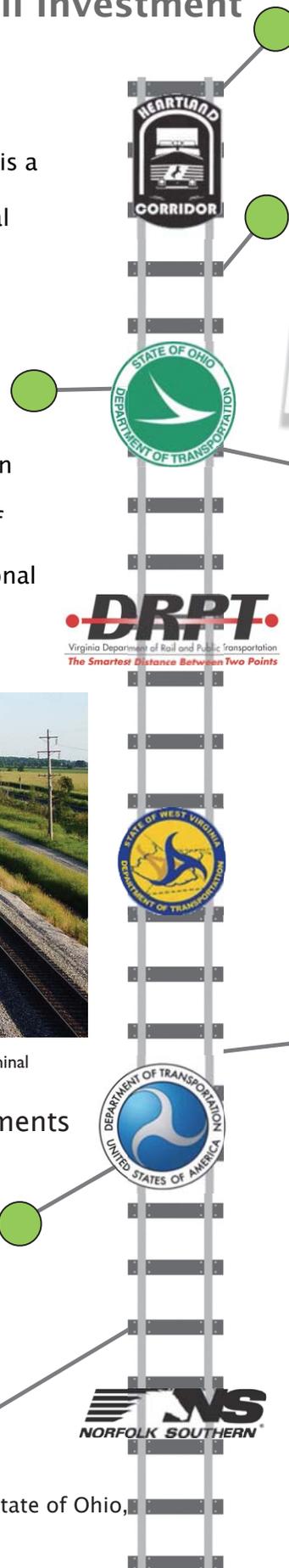
Success Stories in Rail Investment

Heartland Corridor

VA, WV, OH

The 1,031-mile Heartland Corridor is a public-private partnership between Norfolk Southern and several federal and state agencies. The project increased vertical clearances in 29 tunnels and removed 24 overhead obstructions to allow passage of double-stacked container trains between the Port of Virginia and Columbus, Ohio.

The \$191m cost was shared between Norfolk Southern, the federal government, and Commonwealth of Virginia and state of Ohio. Each partner contributed funds proportional to the benefits they receive, though together they are creating a competitive advantage for America.



WHO BENEFITS

- The public, through less highway congestion and a better environment
- Railroad shippers
- The Port of Virginia
- Suppliers and contractors
- Norfolk Southern's short-line railroad partners
- Norfolk Southern

RESULTS

- Increased freight capacity by allowing for double-stack intermodal operations
- Cut transit time from Norfolk to Chicago from 4 to 3 days
- Diverted truck traffic from congested highways
- Volume was up 10% through the first half of 2014 compared to 2013.
- Corridor saw 13% new growth in intermodal traffic since opening last year



Intermodal train leaving Rickenbacker Intermodal Terminal

Service/Infrastructure Improvements

- Excavated roof and replaced liner in 15 tunnels
- Carved notches into arch roof to allow corners of containers to pass in seven tunnels
- Lowered or realigned track in six tunnels
- 28,843 feet of tunnel was altered
- Reduced trip by over 200 route miles
- Port, corridor, and terminals ready for post-Panamax ships immediately

PARTNERS

Norfolk Southern, State of West Virginia, State of Ohio, Commonwealth of Virginia, USDOT