Chicago-Detroit/Pontiac
Passenger Rail Corridor Program

• MDOT – led multistate (Indiana, Illinois & Michigan) effort
• Funding $3.2M in federal (HSIPR Grant) & $0.8M local match
• Included Service Development Plan (SDP) & Draft EIS
• Concluded that continued work at corridor level is not beneficial in longer term & advancement of work at project level identified in SDP is more productive
• FRA rescinded Notice of Intent for EIS on November 30, 2018 & will not issue Final EIS or Record of Decision
• Work will continue at the project level as defined in the SDP
Integrated State Long Range Plan

Three federally required plans in one
- State Long-Range Transportation Plan
- State Rail Plan
- State Freight Plan

First of its kind in the country
- In cooperation with federal agencies:
  - Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)
  - Federal Railroad Administration (FRA)
  - Federal Transit Administration (FTA)

Estimated completion – July 2021
PTC Implementation

• 110 MPH between Porter, IN and Kalamazoo for more than 7.5 years (Feb. 2012)

• PTC on remainder of Michigan line currently finishing final approvals for increased speeds
  – 110 MPH service between Kalamazoo & Battle Creek expected at the start of Q2 2020
  – 110 MPH operation will then extend Battle Creek to Jackson at conclusion of Rail & Tie Production season in Q4 2020
  – 110mph operation is planned between Ypsilanti & Townline in 2022 and between Jackson & Ypsilanti once Section 3 curve mods are completed
Equipment

• Michigan is working with Midwest states to finish Siemens locomotive procurement
• Currently working through car procurement
• New equipment will run on all Michigan services by 2022.
SOGR Grant Funding

• $23.4 million BUILD grant funding to match $23.4 million in State funding
• Work includes:
  – Rail, crosstie & track surface rehabilitation between Battle Creek & Dearborn
    • Replacement of 80,000 ties
    • Replacement of 162,000 lineal feet rail
  – Replacement of two bridges in Jackson
• CRISI Grant for the Battle Creek Connection – $1.5 million - PE/NEPA
Other Studies

- **Toledo – Michigan Central Depot Study**
  - Port Authority exploring the possibility of returning Amtrak service to Michigan Central Depot

- **Toledo-Detroit Metro Study**
  - Study by Toledo City Council to connect Toledo to Detroit Metro Airport, as well as Ann Arbor and Detroit

- **AA-Detroit, Coast-Coast, TC-AA**
Thank you!

Questions?