

# The Great Northern Corridor Coalition

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## The Value of the Great Northern Corridor



***The Great Northern Corridor is an Economic Engine that influences 38 Million Americans in 162 Counties***

### **The Great Northern Corridor is.....**

- An Economic Engine
- 38 Million Americans
- 8 North Central and Pacific Northwestern States
- 162 Counties Within 20 Miles
- 3,331 Railroad Mainline Route Miles
- 38 Regional and Shortline Railways
- 9 Interstate Highways, 11 U.S. Highways, and many key State/County Highways
- 15 Ports (Deep Water Seaports, Lake Ports, River Ports and Inland Ports)
- 54 Border Crossings/International Ports of Entry
- 2,322 Road/Rail At-Grade Crossings



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# Coalition Timeline

- The Great Northern Corridor Coalition was formed in late 2013 after federal funding was secured from the Multistate Corridor Operations & Management (MCOM) Program (FHWA).
  - ▶ Phase I – SWOT Analysis – Completed late 2015
  - ▶ Phase II – Planning Analysis – Completed July 2016
  - ▶ Co-Applicant – Moorhead Grade Separation, Safety and Mobility Project (FASTLANE Grant Application)
  - ▶ Appoint Executive Director, Curtis E. Shuck, Jr. - August 2017
  - ▶ Adopt 2017 GNCC Action Plan



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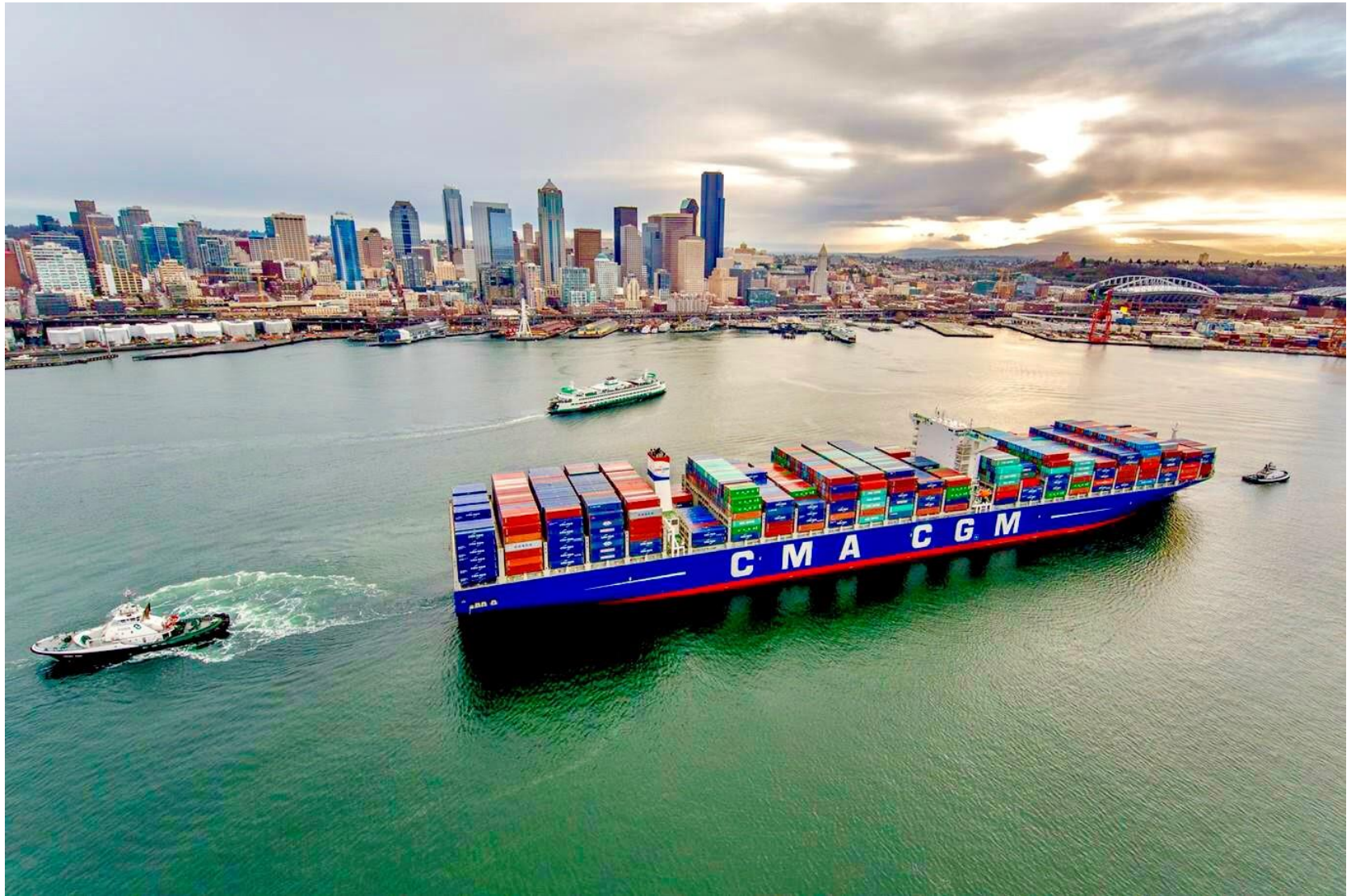
# Current Coalition Stakeholders

- BNSF Railway
- State DOT's
  - Idaho
  - Minnesota
  - Montana
  - North Dakota
  - Washington
  - Oregon
  - Wisconsin
- Ports:
  - Everett
  - Grays Harbor
  - Northern Montana
  - Pasco
  - Portland
  - Quincy
  - Seattle
  - Tacoma
  - Vancouver, USA
  - WPPA
- Cities:
  - Connell, WA
  - Spokane Valley, WA
  - Wenatchee, WA
  - Kalispell, MT





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# Vision Statement

***“The Great Northern Corridor is a globally competitive, multistate freight Corridor consisting of a seamless road and rail network that promotes economic growth for neighboring communities and accommodates the demand for safe, efficient, and environmentally sound transportation services.”***



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# Mission Statement

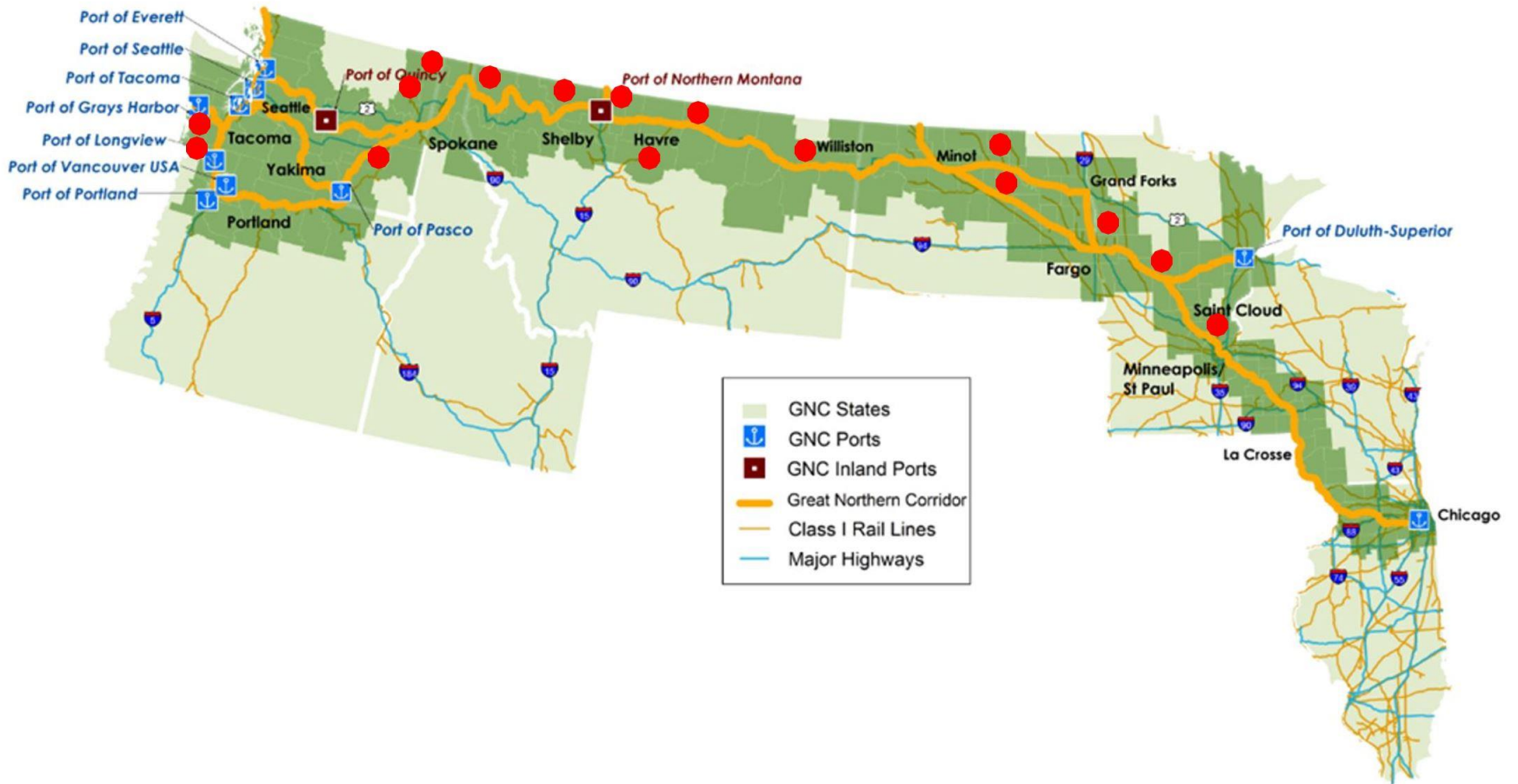
**Promote a premier multi-state freight corridor.**

*By acting collectively to promote public policy, research and infrastructure development that expands commerce on the corridor.*





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### Member Benefits

*The Great Northern Corridor Coalition provides a corridor-wide focus to achieve improved mobility of goods and people between the eight states and international destinations for the benefit of all members*

#### **GNCC services and products include:**

- ✓ Corridor-wide project development, prioritization and advancement
- ✓ Advocacy and support for federal discretionary grant programs: INFRA, TIGER
- ✓ Unified advocacy on corridor freight matters and projects
- ✓ Information sharing: best practices, lessons learned, strategic planning
- ✓ Public and stakeholder education
- ✓ Support to smaller communities along the corridor for project advancement, economic development, etc.
- ✓ Serve as a “trusted advisor” and resource partner on issues impacting the corridor and stakeholders
- ✓ Advancement of economic development projects across the corridor
- ✓ Market Corridor Gateways, Inland Ports and Terminals
- ✓ Research



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# Questions?

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