

# GREATER NORTHWEST RAIL SUMMIT

Save the Dates!

## Third Annual Greater Northwest Rail Summit

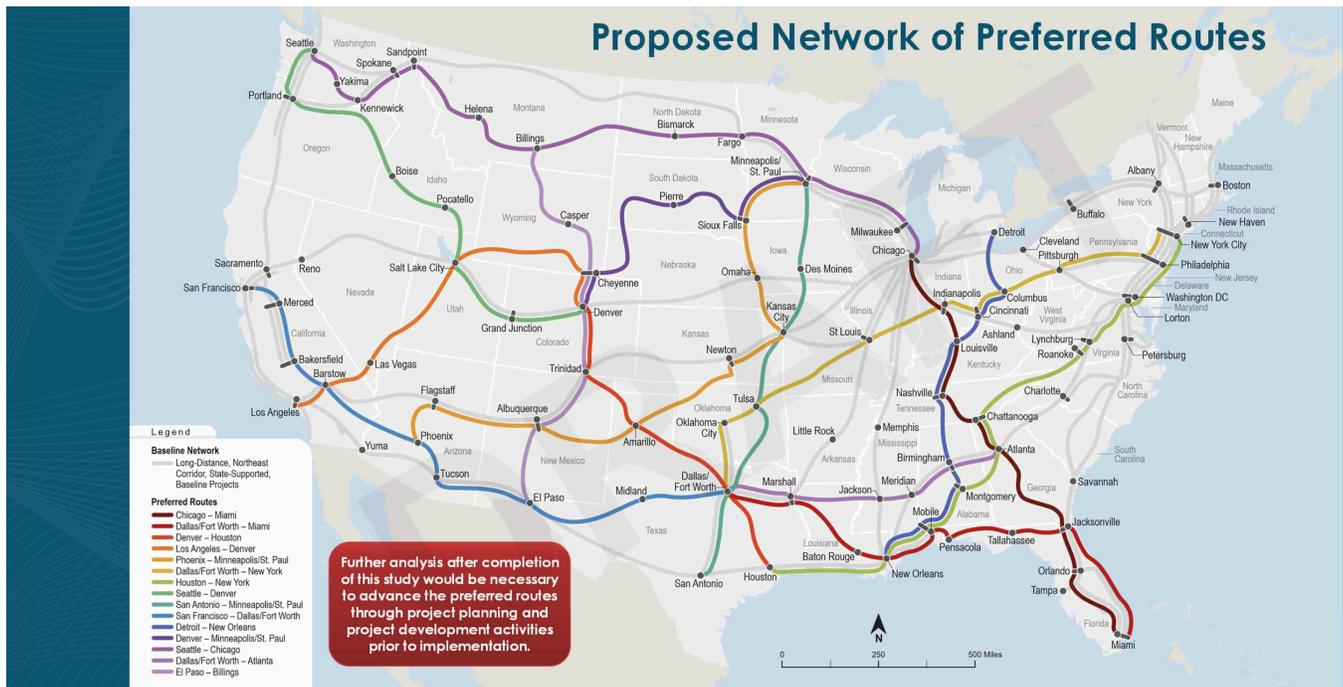
October 8-9, 2024

Central Library, Spokane, Washington | Virtual Attendance Available

Register to attend at the All Aboard Northwest website

<https://allaboardnw.org/summit/>

The Summit brings together rail experts and advocates to continue working toward restoring a true national rail network that includes service to the largely underserved Greater Northwest. Chances for better rail options are improving! The Federal Railroad Administration's [Long-Distance Service Study](#) is recommending 15 routes to expand the nation's passenger rail system.



Hosts: [All Aboard Northwest](#) / [All Aboard Washington](#)

[Association of Oregon Rail and Transit Advocates](#) / [Pacific Northwest Economic Region](#)

[Northwest Region of the Rail Passengers Association](#)

## Invited Speakers

Amit Bose, Federal Railroad  
Administration

Stephen Gardner, Amtrak

[Elected Officials]

## Planned Panels

- Expanding Passenger Rail Services
  - FRA Long Distance Service Study
  - North Coast Hiawatha Corridor
  - Pioneer Corridor
  - Desert Wind
- Grant Opportunities
  - Corridor ID & Development
  - Grade Crossing Elimination
  - CRISI and Other Grants
- Improving Existing Corridors
  - Amtrak Cascades
  - Stampede Pass Infrastructure Study
  - Infill Stations
  - Capital Investment Plans from BNSF and UP
- Freight and Passenger Rail Synergy
  - High Performance Rail
  - High Speed Rail
  - Transload Facilities
  - Freight Rail and Short Lines
  - Intermodal Connectivity
- Economic Benefits
  - Agri-Tourism
  - Housing and Transit-Oriented Development
- Environmental and Health Benefits - importance of first mile to last mile
- Equity Benefits for Underserved Communities
  - Tribal Nations
  - Rural Communities
  - Non-Drivers
- Holistic Transportation Planning
- Improving Governance
- Stakeholder Engagement
  - Supply Chain Caucuses
  - Replicating ORULE
  - State Departments of Rail
  - Creating State Rail Advisory Groups
- Creating Working Groups and Interstate Compacts
  - Greater Northwest Rail Working Group
- Generating Support from Public and Elected Officials
  - Funding the Fifteen Routes