

MAP-21 STRATEGIC GOAL STATEMENTS

As specified in section 1118, a State Freight Plan must include a description of how the plan will improve the ability of the state to meet the national freight goals established under 23 U.S.C. 167. The following is a summary of the goals of the National Freight Policy established in 23 U.S.C. 167:

- 1) Improving the contribution of the freight transportation system to economic efficiency, productivity, and competitiveness.
- 2) Reducing congestion on the freight transportation system.
- 3) Improving the safety, security, and resilience of the freight transportation system.
- 4) Improving the state of good repair of the freight transportation system.
- 5) Using advanced technology, performance management, innovation, competition, and accountability in operating and maintaining the freight transportation system.
- 6) Reducing adverse environmental and community impacts of the freight transportation system.

The US Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that each State Freight Plan also include a discussion of the state's strategic goals for freight transportation. These goals would include the goals of the National Freight Policy summarized above, but states may also add other strategic goals. The Department recommends that State Freight Plans indicate which goals are most important to the State.