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Funding Options for Freight Transportation Projects

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This webinar will explore the findings of TRB's forthcoming report, *Funding Options for Freight Transportation Projects*. The report will inform the conversation about reauthorizing federal surface transportation programs by examining the future of federal programs funding freight transportation.

Specifically, presenters will discuss ways that the public can finance freight infrastructure improvement projects as an alternative to seeking federal funding to manage the increased capacity at ports and railroads. Presenters will also discuss the concept of "national significance" as a possible criterion for determining federal responsibility and alternative finance arrangements for freight infrastructure. Discussion will be encouraged among presenters, and webinar participants will have the opportunity to ask questions.

Presenters for this session include:

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