

RND GOALS:

- Ensure Commercial Rail Lines Meet DOD Needs
- Identify DOD Rail Requirements
- Integrate DOD's Needs into Civil Rail Planning
- Prevent Abandonments of Defense-Important Lines
- Ensure Key Rail Lines are Well-Maintained
- Ensure Key Rail Lines Can Handle DOD Cargo Needs

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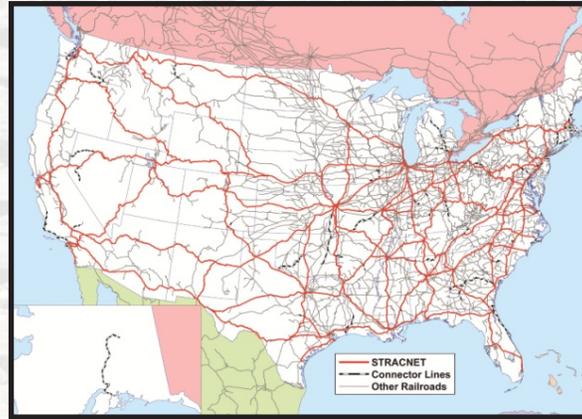


ENSURING
COMMERCIAL RAIL LINES
MEET DEFENSE
TRANSPORTATION NEEDS

RAILROADS FOR NATIONAL DEFENSE PROGRAM

IDENTIFY COMMERCIAL RAILROAD INFRASTRUCTURE IMPORTANT TO DOD

- Identify and protect the civil (non-installation) rail lines important for movements in peace and war.
- Assist the military services in identifying installations that require rail service.
- Work with the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), State rail planners, installations, and the commercial rail carriers in developing and coordinating the Strategic Rail Corridor Network (STRACNET) and STRACNET connector lines.
- Develop and publish the STRACNET Report.
- Work to ensure that necessary commercial rail infrastructure is in place for rapid rail deployment capability from designated power projection platform installations.



ENSURING THE DOD HAS THE STRATEGIC RAIL MOBILITY WHEN NEEDED.



PROTECT DOD RAIL DEPLOYMENT CAPABILITY

- Analyze commercial railroad line abandonments for impact to military movement capabilities and take corrective actions where necessary.
- Protect National Defense rail needs in major rail proceedings such as rail company mergers and bankruptcies.
- Serve as DOD's formal liaison for civil rail line infrastructure matters with the commercial rail carriers and State rail authorities.
- Bring the defense perspective to major rail associations such as the Standing Committee on Rail Transportation and the American Railway Engineering and Maintenance-of-way-Association.
- Develop DOD testimony in support of the DOD RND Program when required.
- Ensure appropriate clearance capability on STRACNET rail lines for oversized DOD cargo.
- Develop Web-based Geographical Information tools to help analyze DOD needs for rail infrastructure.