

North Carolina Short Line Railroads

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US SHORT LINE RAILROAD QUICK FACTS

- 603 SHORT LINES
- 47,500 ROUTE MILES (29% OF TOTAL RAIL NETWORK)
- PRIMARILY PROVIDE “FIRST MILE / LAST MILE” SERVICE
- HANDLE 1 OF OUT 5 RAILCARS SHIPPED IN THE US
- SERVE NEARLY 10,000 CUSTOMERS

Short Line or Class III Railroad: Has a length of less than 350 miles and earns less than \$35 million revenue annually.

Source: ASLRRA



NC SHORT LINE RAILROAD SERVICES PROVIDED

- HAUL FREIGHT – 99,438 CARLOADS
- PASSENGER SERVICE – 200,000 PASSENGERS
- SPECIAL EVENT TRAINS
- TRANSLOAD FACILITIES
- TRACK MAINTENANCE
- SIGNAL MAINTENANCE
- RAILCAR REPAIR

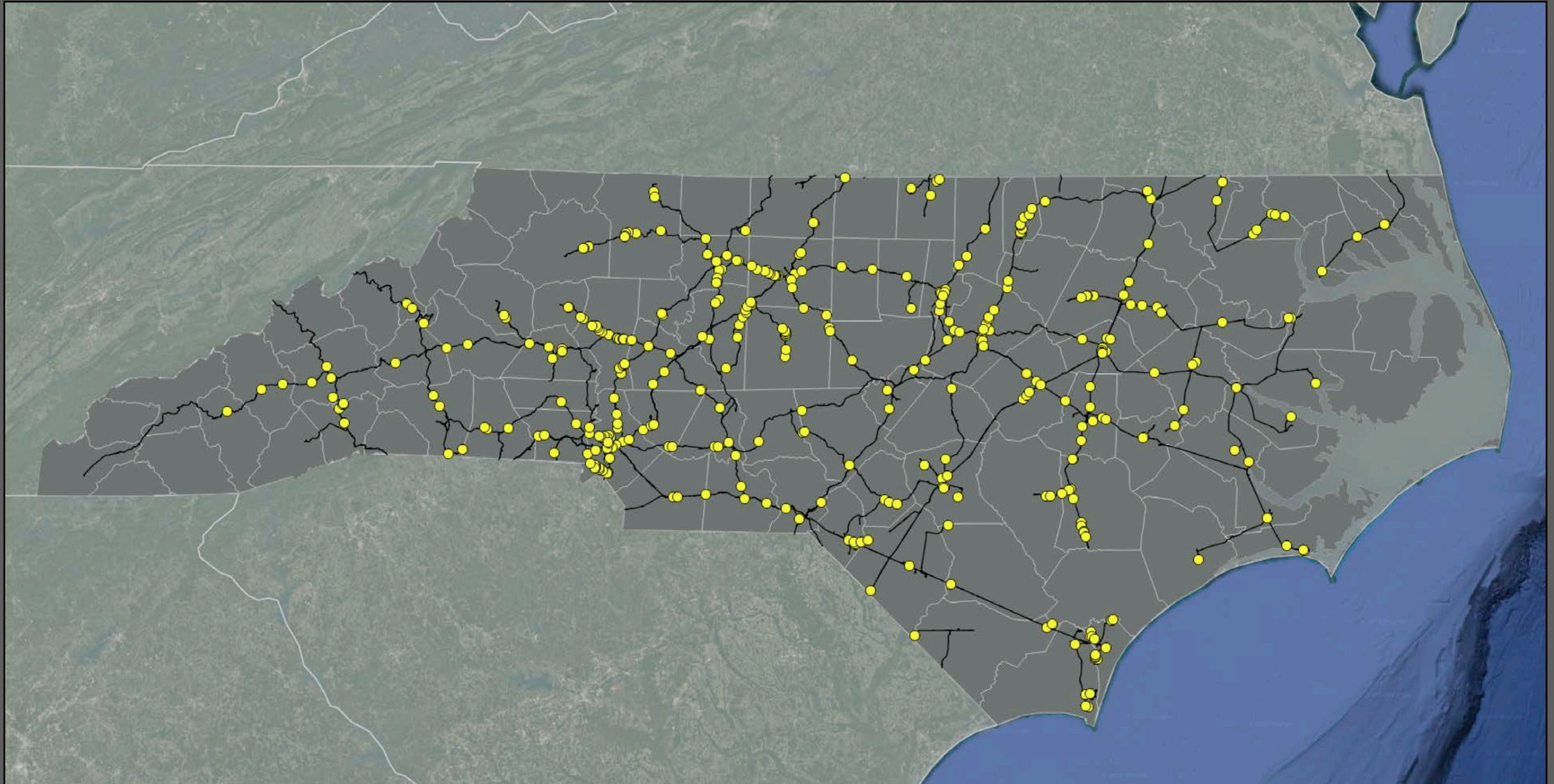


RAIL FREIGHT IN NORTH CAROLINA

- CHEMICALS
- DRY WALL
- PETROLEUM PRODUCTS
- STEEL
- PLASTICS/RESINS
- LUMBER
- RUBBER
- PAPER PRODUCTS
- BUILDING PRODUCTS
- MACHINERY
- CEMENT
- COAL/FLY ASH
- GRAIN
- AUTOMOBILES
- AGGREGATES
- FERTILIZER
- WOODCHIPS
- ETHANOL
- WOOD CHIPS
- ROAD SALT



NC RAIL USER NETWORK



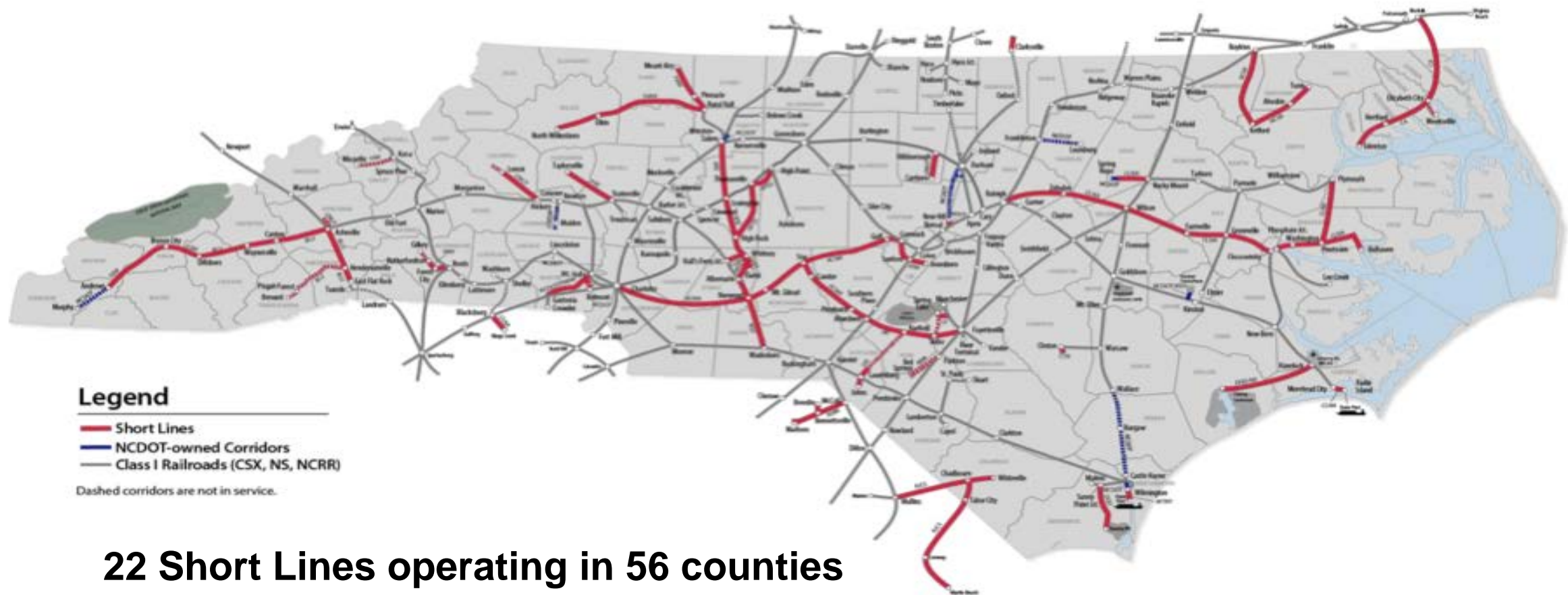
MAJOR RAIL USERS



RAIL FREIGHT IN NORTH CAROLINA



NC SHORT LINE NETWORK





BENEFITS TO THE ECONOMY

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SOURCES OF FUNDING

- **PRIVATE**
- **FRA**
- **NCDOT**
- **RAIL INDUSTRIAL ACCESS**



TRENDS AND CHALLENGES

- MANY LIGHTER DENSITY, RURAL ROUTES LACK THE INDUSTRY STANDARD 286,000 LB CARRYING CAPACITY
- **MAJOR COST:** OLDER BRIDGE INFRASTRUCTURE NEEDS UPGRADING/REBUILT
- OLDER WORKFORCE / TRAINING FOR YOUNGER GENERATION & EMPLOYEES TO GENERATE SPECIFIC SKILLS (ENGINEER, CONDUCTOR, SIGNALMAN, MECHANICAL, DISPATCHER, ELECTRICAL)
- INDUSTRIAL TURNOVER IN RURAL AREAS
- TRUCK SIZE AND WEIGHT THREAT



PROSPECTS FOR THE FUTURE

WHAT CAN YOU DO???

- SUPPORT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – NEW INDUSTRY, EXPANSIONS, AND RETENTION
- RECURRING FUNDING FOR FRRCSI FUNDS
- INCREASE FUNDING / INCREASE STATE'S PORTION OF THE 50/50 GRANT MATCH
- EXPANDED COMMUNICATION BETWEEN NCDOT RAIL DIVISION, EDPNC, AND THE SHORT LINE'S
- TRANSLOAD FACILITY DEVELOPMENT
- EXPAND APPLICATION OF FUNDING TO INCLUDE: INVESTMENTS IN STRUCTURES, TECHNOLOGY, PTC COMPLIANCE



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