



## **FREIGHT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (FAC)**

### **Purpose**

The Idaho Freight Advisory Committee (FAC) provides a framework for collaboration, partnership and communication in order to move forward the recommendations included in the Idaho Freight Study completed in 2012.

### **Legal Authority**

Idaho Code 40-307 - For the administration of their function, the Board may employ such persons as are deemed necessary.

Idaho Code 40-314(3) - Authority of Board to exercise powers necessary to implement the provisions of Title 40.

### **Freight Advisory Committee (FAC)**

Idaho Code authorizes the Idaho Transportation Board to establish internal structures deemed necessary for the administration of its duties. Under this authority, the Idaho Transportation Board shall create a Freight Advisory Committee (FAC) to assist and advise the Board on issues related to the movement of freight in, out, and through Idaho. The FAC shall:

- Serve as a forum for discussion regarding freight movement and freight infrastructure within Idaho,
- Educate freight stakeholders regarding local, regional, and statewide transportation planning processes,
- Provide access to improved freight data and a more consistent set of data,
- Work with the Idaho Transportation Department to incorporate freight interests into transportation planning to improve freight infrastructure,
- Improve statewide understanding of the importance of freight transportation in Idaho.

The FAC shall consist of 13 private industry stakeholders who bring a statewide freight perspective from diverse stakeholder groups. Interest in the FAC shall be solicited by the Idaho Transportation Department (ITD), and the Idaho Transportation Board shall make final appointments, including one representative from each of the following stakeholder interest groups:

- Rail Industry
  - Highway/Trucking Industry, as recommended by the Idaho Trucking Council
  - Aeronautics, as recommended by the Idaho Aeronautics Board
  - Port/Barge Industry
  - Agricultural Industry (one representative each from 3 Idaho products)
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- Natural Resource Industry (one representative each from 2 Idaho products)
- Manufacturing
- Retail
- Carrier/Shipping
- Freight Logistics/Warehousing
- Member-at-Large

Additionally, FAC shall include ex-officio representation from the following state and federal agencies:

- Federal Highway Administration
- Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration
- Federal Railroad Administration
- US Maritime Administration
- Idaho Public Utilities
- Idaho Department of Agriculture
- Idaho Department of Commerce
- Idaho Department of Labor
- Idaho Department of Transportation
- Idaho State Police
- Metropolitan Planning Organizations (one representative)

At least once a year, the FAC shall formally present to the Board a report on FAC recommendations, activities, goals, and objectives.

Approved by the Board on:

Signed  
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Jerry Whitehead  
Board Chairman

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