

CENTRAL OHIO PASSENGER RAIL UPDATE

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CORRIDOR ID PROGRAM



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The Corridor Identification and Development (Corridor ID) Program is a Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) initiative to reimagine passenger rail planning nationally. It is comprised of three Steps:

Step 1

*Selection and
Initiation*

What: Develop scope, schedule, cost estimate for Step 2
Why: Capacity-building to deliver subsequent Steps
Duration: Likely 6-12 months to complete

Where we are now:

\$500,000 federal planning
grant award per corridor

Step 2

*Route
Planning*

- *What:* Prepare a *Service Development Plan* (SDP)
- *Why:* Detail route, stations, service, capital improvements
- *Duration:* Likely 1-3 years to complete

Step 3

*Project
Development*

- *What:* Preliminary engineering, environmental review
- *Why:* Prepare projects for design, construction, service
- *Duration:* Likely 1-3 years to complete

OHIO CORRIDOR ID AWARDS



UPCOMING WORK



- MORPC will work with our project partners as we move into and through Step 1 of the program
 - Cincinnati-Dayton-Columbus-Cleveland (3C&D)
 - Led by the Ohio Rail Development Commission (ORDC)
 - Chicago-Fort Wayne-Columbus-Pittsburgh (Midwest Connect)
 - Led by the City of Fort Wayne, IN
 - MORPC as a co-sponsor
- Step 2 – service development planning – not expected to begin until late 2024
 - Initial tasks will focus on reviewing existing conditions and past studies
 - We will have more information on outreach, involvement, and information requests closer to that time

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