

from Warsaw, Indiana to O'Hare International Airport in Chicago. Their findings indicated that high speed rail would greatly enhance the orthopedics industry and the local economy in general. Time is a precious commodity. With a higher speed rail connection to Chicago, Indiana cities could position themselves as much less-delayed conduits for business travelers headed for Chicago meetings, potentially becoming alternative locations for such gatherings and generating new business and investment.

### Added Business Investment and Job Creation

Rail development will create jobs and stimulate new investment and not just in the rail industry.

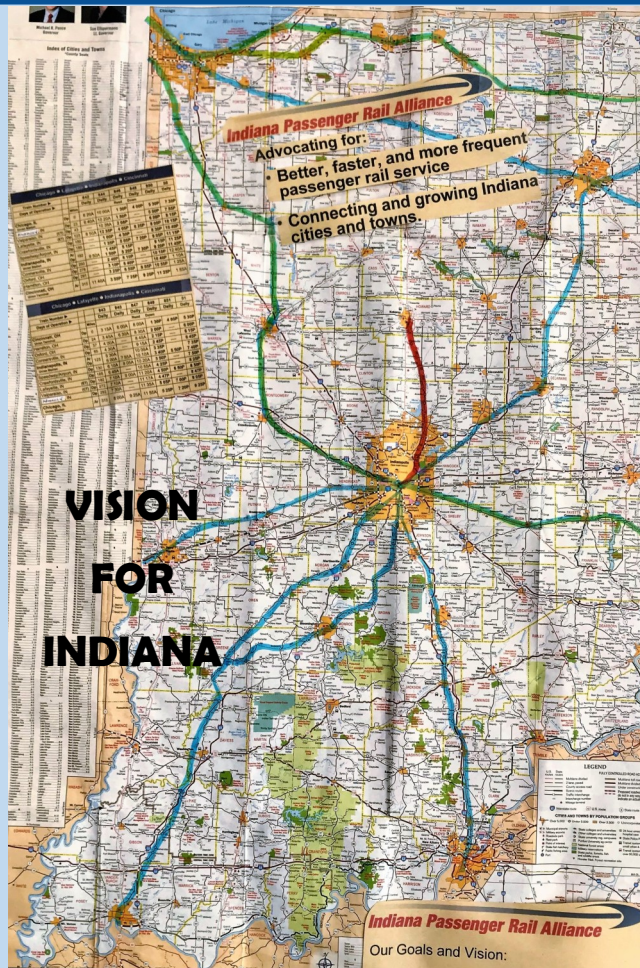
The MWRRRI TEMS study reports that development of a high-speed rail network would directly generate 4,540 permanent new jobs for Indiana and \$86 million in extra household income.

Improving connections between urban areas would increase access to employment options and swell the pool of qualified job candidates for employers. **Transit Oriented Development (TOD)** in and around multi-modal transportation stations. The proximity of a transportation hub and the addition of restaurants and other amenities would increase the value of surrounding business locations and housing stock.

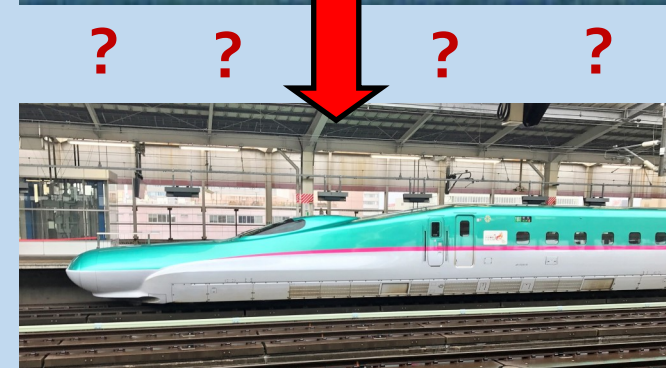
There is usually significant intermodal activity in and around a major transportation hub, and if done well, a high speed rail presence in a transportation hub would likely increase the positive leverage and the economic impact of the investment in all linked transit modes.

### Reduced Fuel Supply Dependency

Passenger rail saves money and reduces supply disruption and petroleum cost inflation risk by reducing our dependence on a finite energy resource, much of it imported from foreign sources. Although petroleum costs rise and fall, the long term trend is clearly toward higher prices. Passenger trains use the least energy of any passenger transportation mode.



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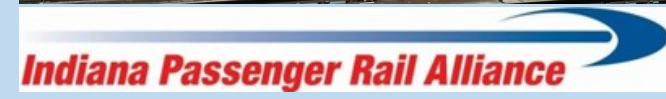


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**\$15** (Student / Senior 65+) or **\$25** (Member)

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## Join Us!

Join the **Indiana Passenger Rail Alliance (IPRA)** and make an investment in **Indiana's transportation future** by campaigning to bring **MODERN** passenger rail to Indiana.

Your support and action are vital in the following areas:

## Speak Up!

Write letters or speak in support of the **Midwest Regional Rail System (MWRRS)** to your elected officials, state and urban planners, local businesses, and the general public.

## Stay Informed!

Make sure you know fact from fiction when it comes to rail transportation in Indiana. Keep the conversation factual and clarify people's understanding passenger rail.

## Become a Member!

Join the **Indiana Passenger Rail Alliance**. We welcome anyone who is interested in the future of transportation in Indiana and beyond. Further the cause of the **IPRA** through a membership or other tax-deductible donation, allowing us to continue to advocate for 21st century passenger rail in Indiana.

## Organization

The Indiana Passenger Rail Alliance is a grassroots, volunteer citizen organization dedicated to making available to both the general public and state and local governments, information about the issues and benefits of the development of modern, 21st Century, passenger rail systems in the state of Indiana.

## Vision

Modern 21<sup>st</sup> century trains providing better, faster, and more frequent passenger rail connecting and growing Indiana cities and towns, making Indianapolis a second Midwest passenger rail hub.

## Mission

Educate the public on the economic and social advantages of passenger rail to include better and safer mobility, job opportunity, while providing for a cleaner environment.

## Goals

- ⇒ Improve and expand the Hoosier State corridor (CHI – IND)
- ⇒ Implement the Chicago to Fort Wayne corridor, extending to Columbus, Ohio
- ⇒ Build and improve commuter rail in the State of Indiana
- ⇒ Reintroduce passenger rail to other parts of Indiana with connections to surrounding states

## Passenger Rail: Experience the Benefits

America's currently unbalanced transportation system makes this nation economically vulnerable. Passenger rail would be the backbone of an alternative system providing several important benefits.

## Increased Travel Enjoyment and Improved Quality

Passenger rail will be a boon not only for business travelers but for pleasure travelers, too. Begin and end your vacation by relaxing on the ride dramatically reducing stress and increasing traveling pleasure. Traveling by car limits our movement and demands our mental attention and multi-tasking while driving is also dangerous. Airplanes and buses present similar problems, requiring passengers to remain in cramped seats and limiting the use of electronic devices. Passenger trains minimize the traveler's discomfort by providing more spacious seating, freedom of movement, and opportunity to engage in a variety of productive activi-

ties--or simply to relax. The extra time and freedom of rail travel allows passengers to catch up on work, read a book, play games, or simply enjoy the scenery as it rolls past.

## Enhanced Safety and Reliability

Travel by rail is safer than by car and it's less susceptible to severe weather than air travel.

## Reduced Time Loss

Passenger trains hold the potential to link urban areas together with faster travel times than car, bus, or plane and by offering more efficient loading and unloading times than crowded airports.

## Increased Convenience and Efficiency

Train travelers arrive in well-connected, central station locations. Not only does this prevent downtown parking headaches and expenses, but it also places passengers at the center of a city's transportation system, providing easy access and connections to transportation modes for travel to final urban destinations.

## Reduced Congestion and Congestion Cost

Passenger trains save money by reducing costs related to congestion, keeping people moving efficiently. Rail passengers can do productive work or rest while traveling. Auto travelers, by comparison, have fewer productive (or restful) options.

## Improved Employee Productivity and Enhanced Employee and Client Access

The orthopedics industry has a significant presence in Warsaw, Indiana. Faced with the challenging reality of operating a global business a significant distance from an international airport, **OrthoWorx** commissioned a study to evaluate the economic impact benefits of a high speed rail connection