GOODS MOVEMENT BORDER CROSSING STUDY AND ANALYSIS

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INTRODUCTION / PROJECT OBJECTIVES

- Support regional planning efforts
- Assess current infrastructure needs in the California-Baja California border region
- Assess the mobility of commerce at the California-Baja California border region
- Develop freight planning strategies to address long term trade and transportation infrastructure needs

OVERVIEW OF THE STUDY AREA



- Three Major Cities in Imperial County (El Centro, Calexico, and Brawley)
- Mexicali is the capital and second largest city in the State of Baja California
- Three Ports-of-Entry in Imperial County (Calexico West, Calexico East, and Andrade)

PROJECT OVERVIEW

- Task 1 Overview of International Trade in the Region
 - Manufacturing Companies, Custom Brokers
- Task 2 Cross-Border Origin and Destination Survey
 - Manufacturing Companies
 - Truck Intercept
- Task 3 Collection of International Border Travel Time and Delay Data
 - Wait Time Passenger and Commercial
- Task 4 Data Analysis and Final Study Report

Task 1 – Overview of International Trade

- Logistics and Supply Chain
- Private Sector Processes
 - Drayage is a common component of border-crossing goods transportation
- International Border-Crossing Travel Time
 - Unpredictable
- Trusted Traveler Programs
 - FAST / C-TPAT

Task 2 – Origin and Destination Survey Summary

Data from Manufacturing Companies and Custom Brokers

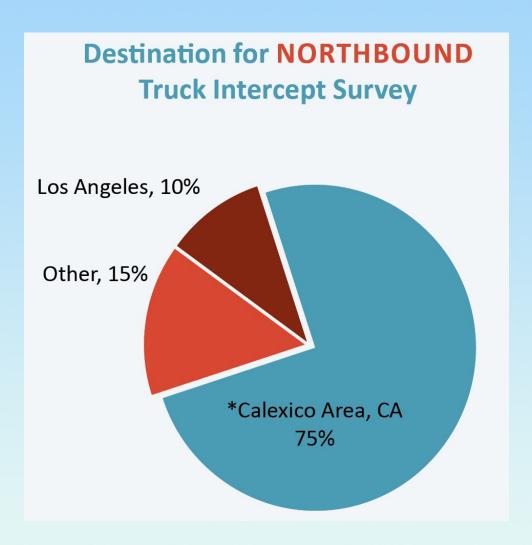
- Shipment Data O/D Summary (847 shipments)
- Significance of Industrial Parks in Mexicali



Task 2 – Origin and Destination Survey Summary

Truck Intercept Survey Summary (430 Trucks)

- Willingness to Pay
 - Northbound 50%
 Companies and Truck
 Drivers
 - Southbound 33%
 Companies and Truck
 Drivers
- Willing to pay up to \$10 for a 2-Hour Reduction – Northbound



Task 3 – International Border Crossing Time Measurement Summary

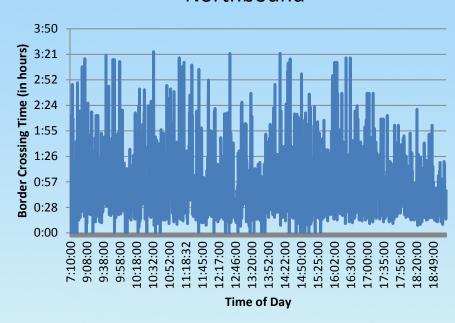
- Data Collection at Calexico (Downtown) and Calexico East POEs
- Separation by Regular, SENTRI and FAST Lanes
- License Plate Survey Method using PDA Passenger vehicles
- Photographic Time Stamp Method Commercial vehicles
- About 5,000 sample observations of Passenger vehicles
- About 2,700 sample observations of Commercial vehicles

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- Passenger Vehicles:
 - 40 minutes average wait time General Lanes
 - Less than 5 minutes average wait time SENTRI Lane
 - Southbound less than 5 minutes
- Commercial Vehicles Northbound:
 - 50 minutes average wait time FAST Lanes
 - 1 Hour average wait time General Lanes
- Commercial Vehicles Southbound:
 - 40 minutes average wait time Empties
 - 1 Hour 10 Minutes average wait time Loaded Trucks

Task 3 – International Border Crossing Time Measurement Summary





 Calexico East ranks fourth in border crossing times

- Southern borders (California, Arizona, New Mexico and Texas)
 with similar issues
 - Otay Mesa, El Paso, Nogales, Hidalgo and Laredo

Economic Impacts of Border Delays

- California Border Impact Model (CALBIM)
- Significant revenue and output losses in the region
- Employment losses are felt on the U.S side of the border
- Annual losses due to commercial and passenger vehicle delays:
 - \$620 Million to State of California
 - \$384 Million to Imperial County
 - \$755 Million to Mexico
 - \$629 Million to Baja California

Policy Recommendations

- Optimize use of existing system and infrastructure
 - Initiate appointment system
 - Explore variable and value pricing
- Improve throughput
 - Exclusive lanes for low risk agricultural products
 - Expand trusted traveler program
- Increase capacity
 - Explore expansion of physical infrastructure
 - Increase staffing and operation

Next Steps

- Build and expand the study Phase II coming soon
- Study the macroeconomic implications in the region
- Support and promote expansion of port-of-entry in Imperial County
- Opportunity to collaborate and jointly work with SANDAG, ICTC,
 Caltrans and Mexico to address the border crossing challenges

Thank You

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