

Piedmont Rail Coalition



Get on Board!

TDX Route Map



CvilleRail

- May 22, 2005 – press conference at Charlottesville Union Station



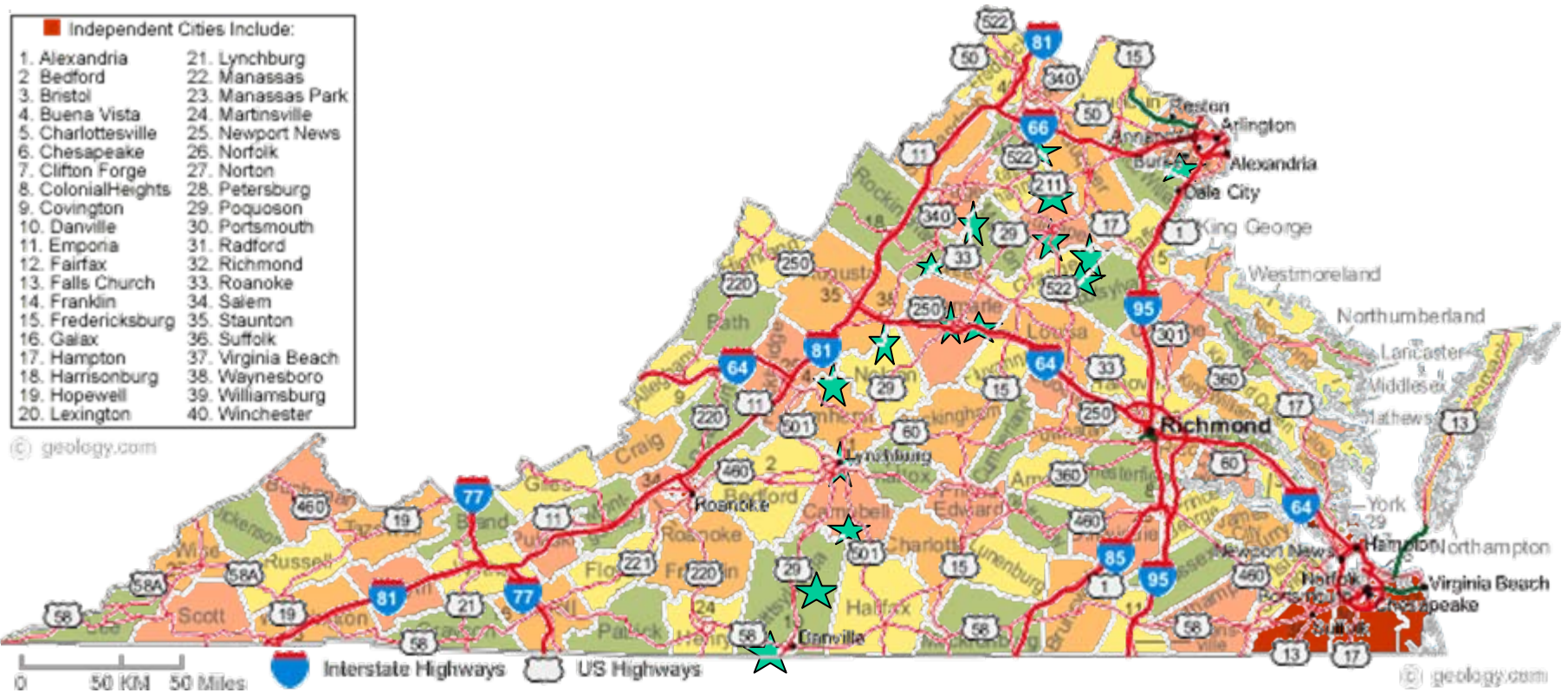


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<http://www.cvillerrail.org>

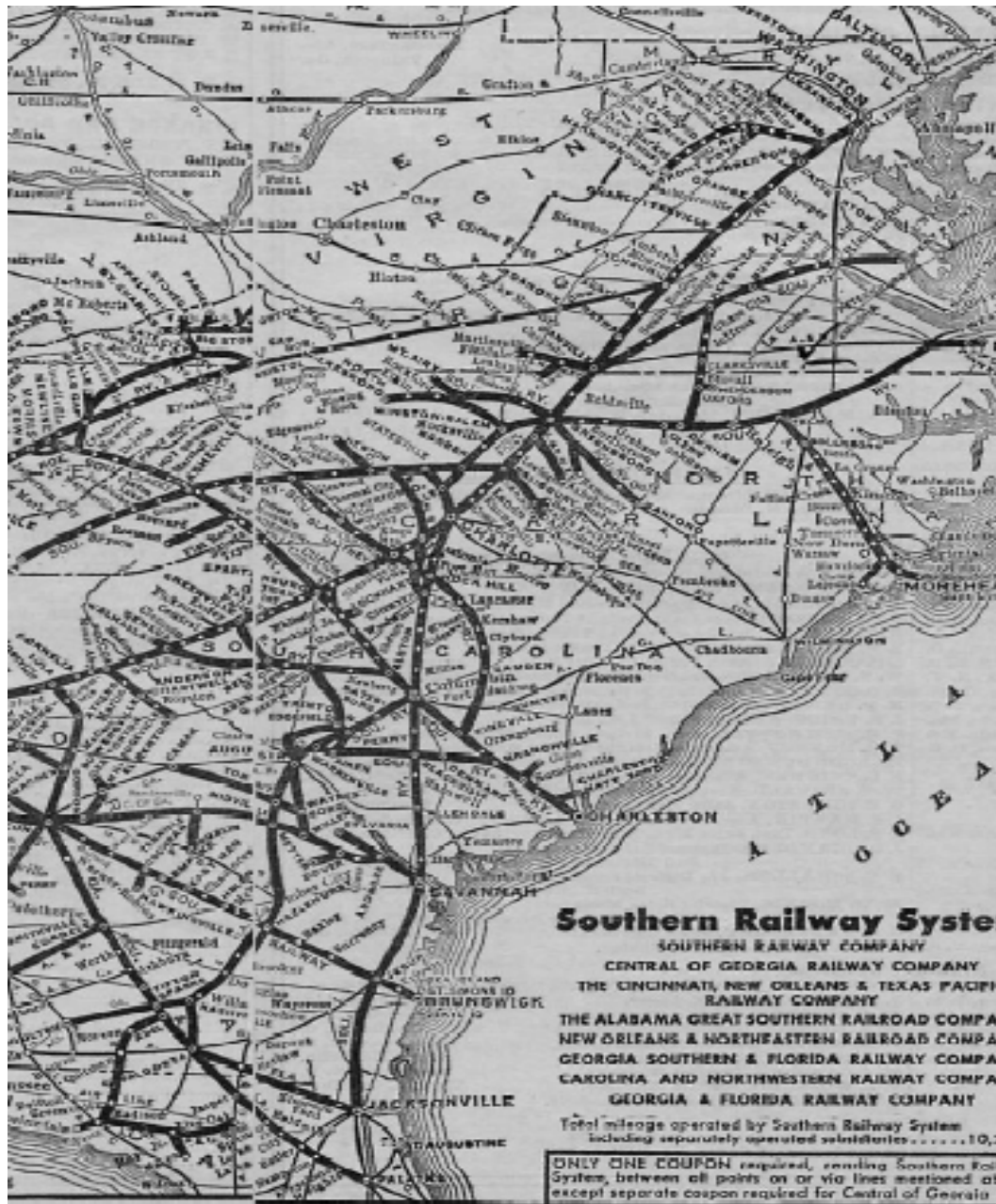
Piedmont Rail Coalition

- Independent Cities Include:
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| 1. Alexandria | 21. Lynchburg |
| 2. Bedford | 22. Manassas |
| 3. Bristol | 23. Manassas Park |
| 4. Buena Vista | 24. Martinsville |
| 5. Charlottesville | 25. Newport News |
| 6. Chesapeake | 26. Norfolk |
| 7. Clifton Forge | 27. Norton |
| 8. Colonial Heights | 28. Petersburg |
| 9. Covington | 29. Poquoson |
| 10. Danville | 30. Portsmouth |
| 11. Empona | 31. Radford |
| 12. Fairfax | 32. Richmond |
| 13. Falls Church | 33. Roanoke |
| 14. Franklin | 34. Salem |
| 15. Fredericksburg | 35. Staunton |
| 16. Galax | 36. Suffolk |
| 17. Hampton | 37. Virginia Beach |
| 18. Harrisonburg | 38. Waynesboro |
| 19. Hopewell | 39. Williamsburg |
| 20. Lexington | 40. Winchester |

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Southern Railway System

- SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY
- CENTRAL OF GEORGIA RAILWAY COMPANY
- THE CINCINNATI, NEW ORLEANS & TEXAS PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY
- THE ALABAMA GREAT SOUTHERN RAILROAD COMPANY
- NEW ORLEANS & NORTHEASTERN RAILROAD COMPANY
- GEORGIA SOUTHERN & FLORIDA RAILWAY COMPANY
- CAROLINA AND NORTHWESTERN RAILWAY COMPANY
- GEORGIA & FLORIDA RAILWAY COMPANY

Total mileage operated by Southern Railway System including separately operated subsidiaries 10,200

ONLY ONE COUPON required, covering Southern Railway System, between all points on or via lines mentioned above except separate coupon required for Central of Georgia R.

Southern Crescent (pre-Amtrak)

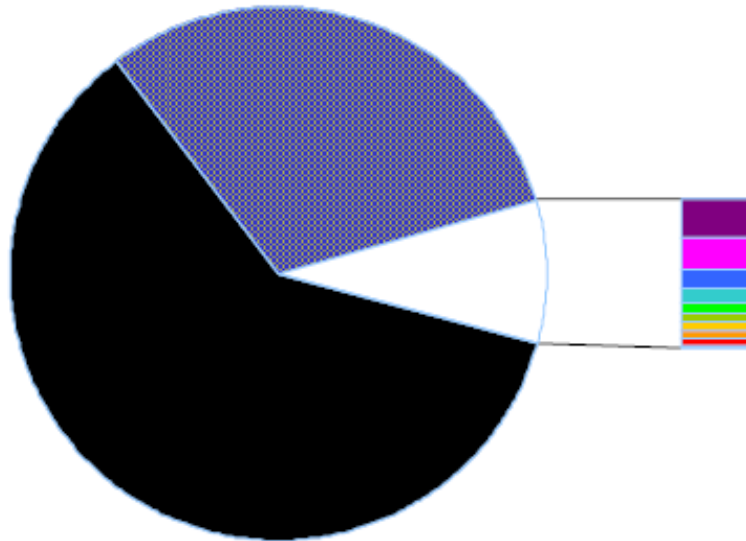


Amtrak Crescent

New York – New Orleans



Who owns the rails in Virginia?



- | | |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| ■ Norfolk Southern | ■ CSX |
| ■ Eastern Shore | ■ Virginia Southern |
| ■ Norfolk & Portsmouth | ■ Winchester & Western |
| ■ Shenandoah Valley | ■ Commonwealth Railway |
| ■ Buckingham Branch | ■ Chesapeake Western |
| ■ Chesapeake & Albemarle | ■ North Carolina & Virginia |

3,400 miles of track

All owned by the freight railroads

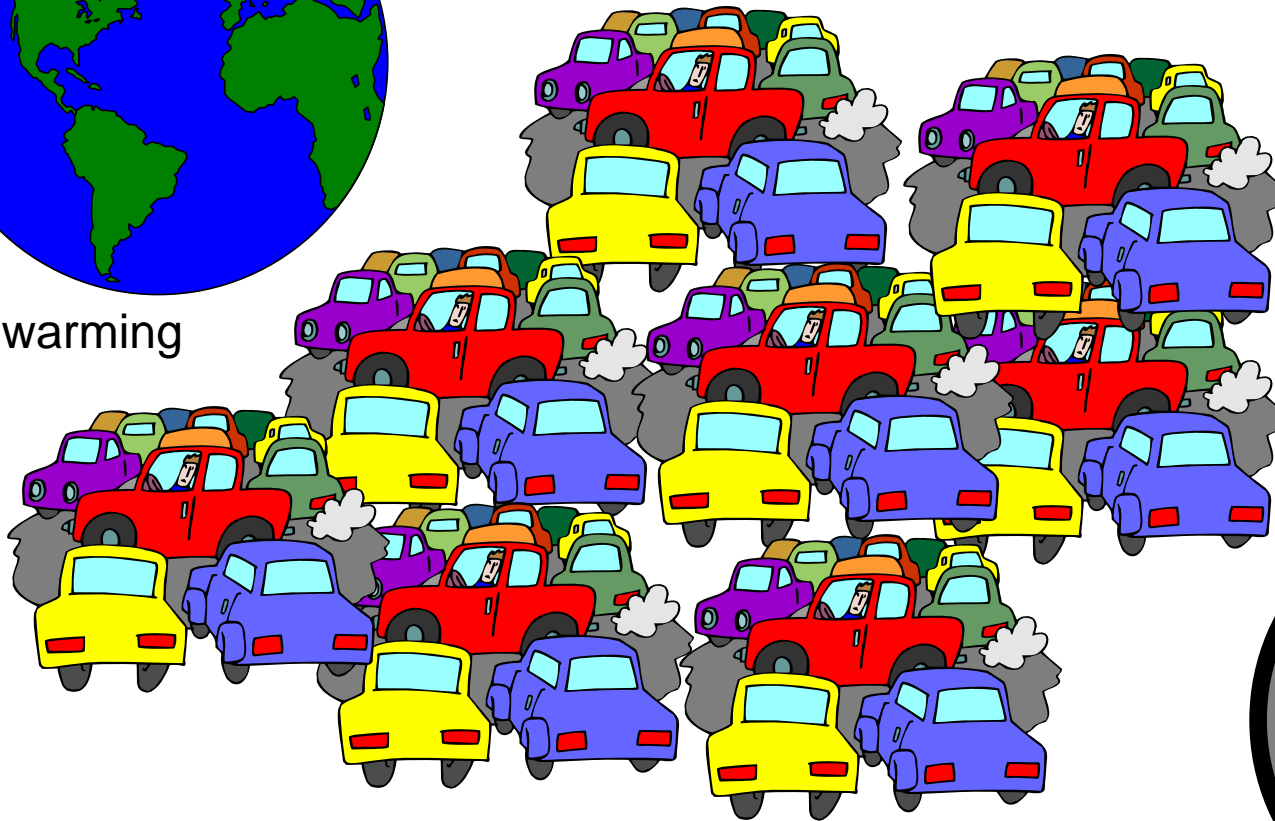
2,000 mi NS

1,000 mi CSX

People want an alternative

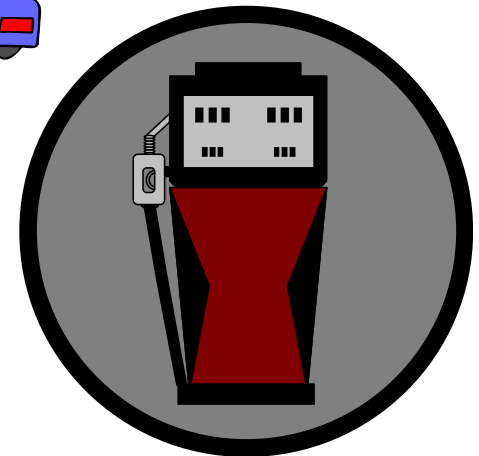


Global warming

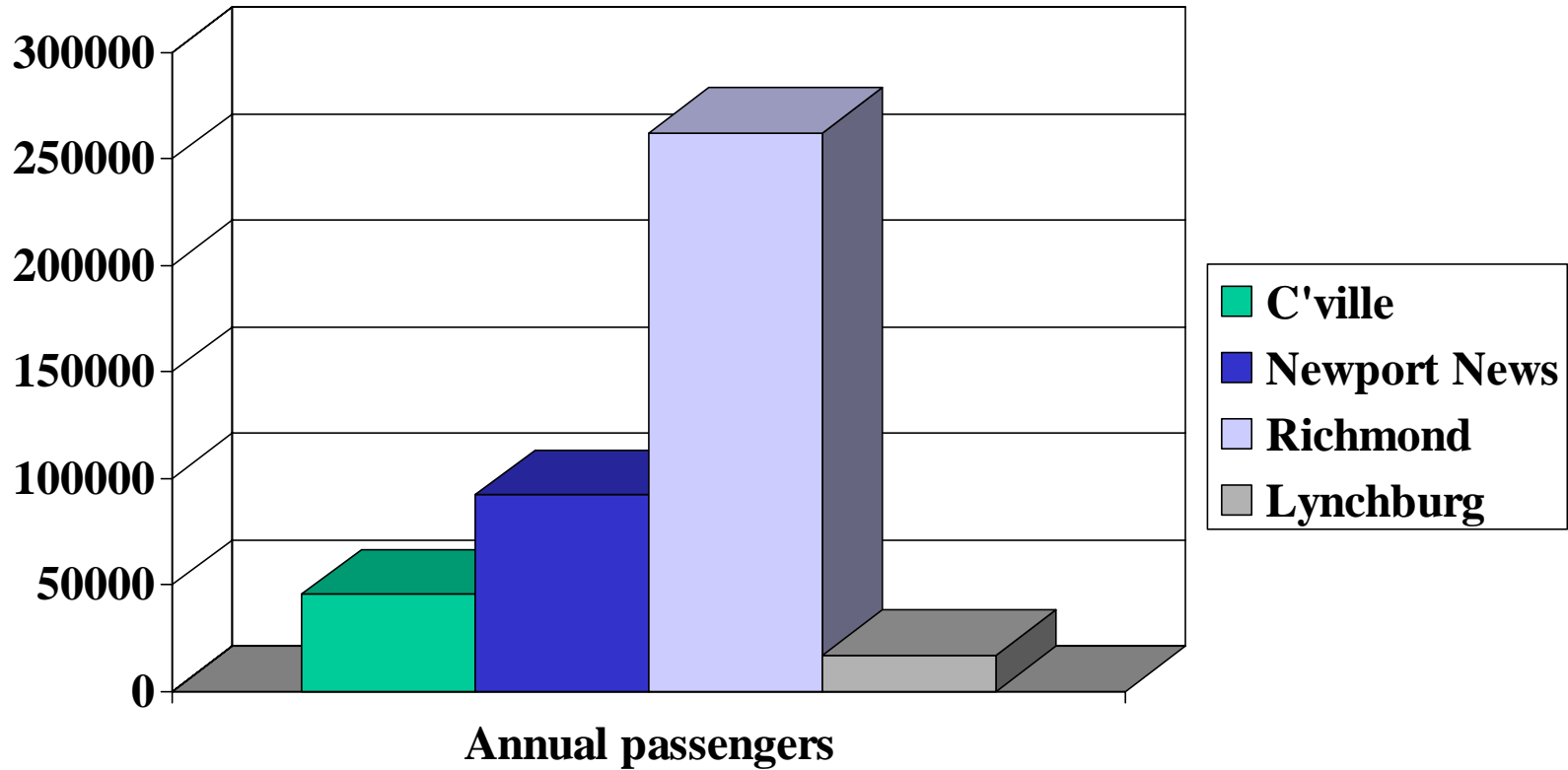


Congestion

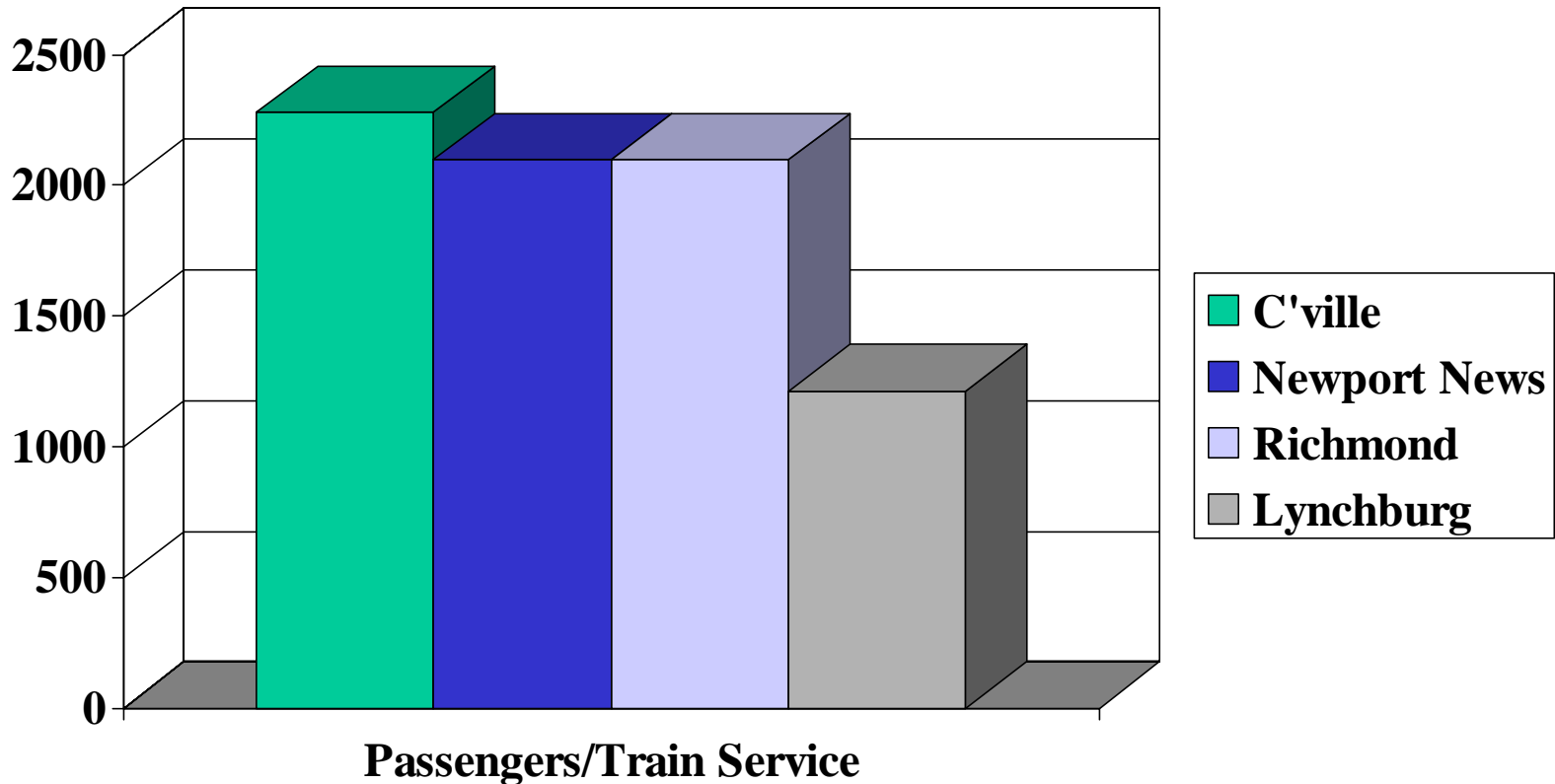
Oil Dependency & \$4.00 gas



Amtrak annual passengers



Amtrak: Annual passengers per train



Parade Magazine Poll



- Should Congress commit more money to America's trains?
- Yes 97%
- No 3%
- Based on 9152 responses

Federal Transportation Funding

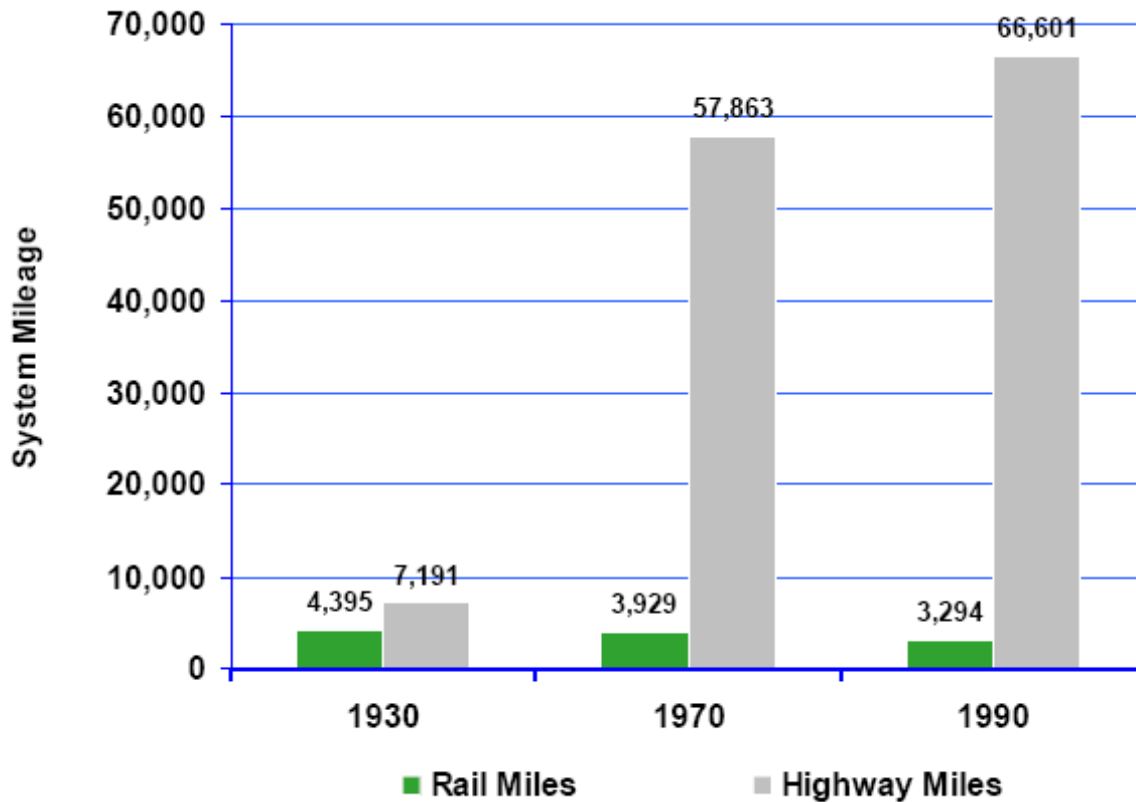
1977-2001 (25 years)

- Total \$782 billion
- Highways 48.4%
- Air 22.4%
- Ports 12.3%
- Transit 12.1%
- Rail 4.0%

Rail funding in Virginia

- Virginia's Transportation Trust Fund formula:
 - Highways 78.7%
 - Transit 14.7%
 - Ports 4.2%
 - Airports 2.4%
 - Rail 0%
- \$5-6 million for industrial access and rail preservation

Virginia Rail and Highway System mileage 1930 - 1990



State partnerships with Amtrak for intercity passenger rail (14)

- California
- Washington
- Oregon
- North Carolina
- Michigan
- Oklahoma
- Texas
- Missouri
- Illinois
- Wisconsin
- Vermont
- New York
- Maine
- Pennsylvania

New Rail Fund Established

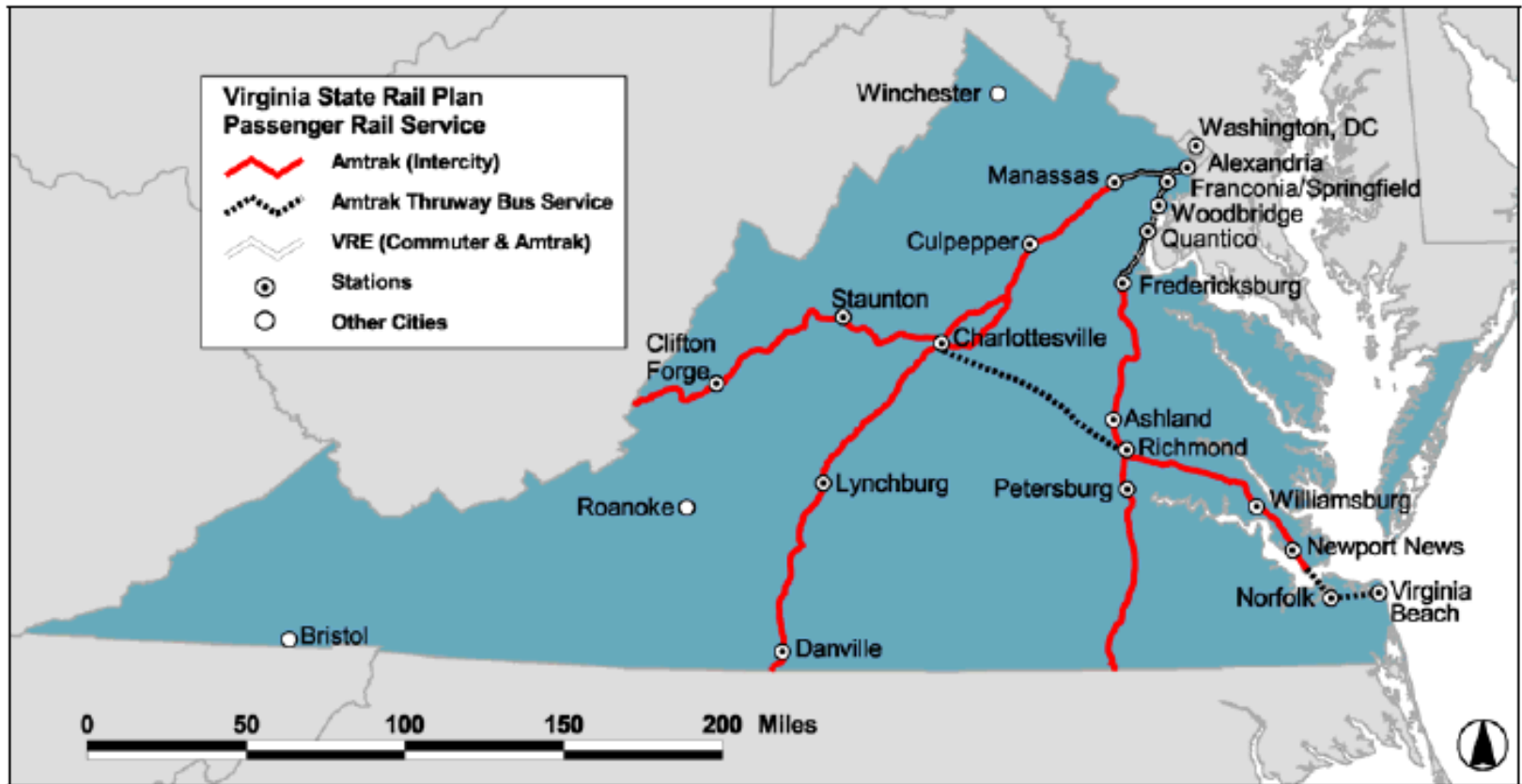
- 2005 Rail Enhancement Fund
- Devotes portion of vehicle rental tax to rail
- \$23 million annually (still only 1%)
- 2007 Transportation Bill devotes 4.3% of bonds for rail (\$300 million/yr)
- Lott-Lautenbourg Bill (SB294) funds 80:20 match for State rail investments

Intercity rail for US 29 corridor

An idea whose time has come (again)!



AMTRAK's Virginia Service Network



Piedmont Rail Summit

November 15, 2008

Localities (12)

Economic Development Authorities (5)

Chambers of Commerce (2)

Planning Districts (2)

UVA

Tourism officials

Businesses

Organizations

56 Representatives from the Corridor



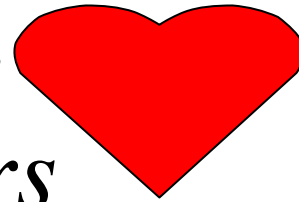
Next Steps: Engage stakeholders

- Economic Development organizations
- Environmental groups
- Chambers/Business Community
- Regional MPO's and Planning Districts
- Tourism/hospitality

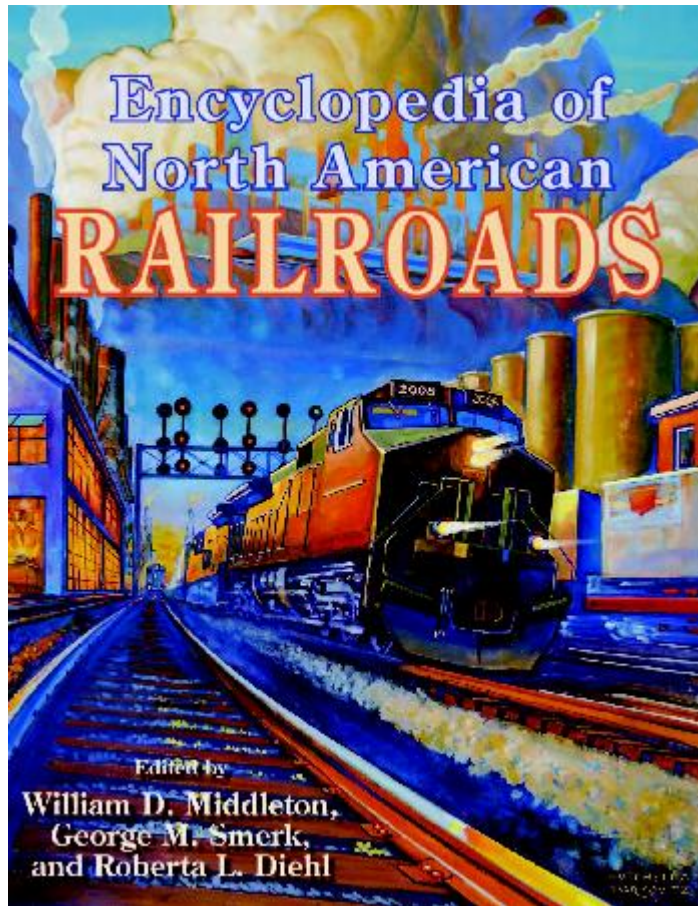


Next steps:
Build grassroots support

Virginia *is for*
TRAIN lovers



VA Book!



The Railroad Passenger Train: A Fond Remembrance and a Look Ahead

- William D. Middleton
- Don Phillips
- George M. Smerk
- Meredith Richards

A look at the history and the future of passenger train service.

Location

Charlottesville City Hall

605 E Main Street

On the Historic Downtown Mall

See you on the train!

Charlottesville's Historic Union Station

