



**LOUISIANA STATEWIDE TRANSPORTATION PLAN UPDATE**  
**TRUCKING RECOMMENDATIONS**  
**FEBRUARY 2014**

**Trucking Recommendations**

Goal	No.	Recommendation	Revenue Scenario				Cost <sup>2</sup>	Ranking
			1B	2B	3B	4B		
CDE	30	Ensure trucking representation and participation by private sector in MPO planning processes.	✓	✓	✓	✓	Low	High
EC	14	Develop seamless electronic credentialing; one-stop shop for permitting, registrations, license plates, etc.	✓	✓	✓	✓	Low	High
EC	15	Work with LA Dept. of Economic Development (LED) to address peak hour congestion by providing incentives for extending hours of port operations.	✓	✓	✓	✓	Low	High
EC	16	Improve quality of connectivity to ports and rail yards.	✓	✓	✓	✓	Low	High
EC	17	Create a policy within DOTD which allows freight projects to be considered on par with all transportation projects.	✓	✓	✓	✓	Low	High
EC	18	Re-establish Motor Carrier Advisory Committee.	✓	✓	✓	✓	Low	Medium
EC	19	Develop a process to identify, monitor, and restore special trucks routes that support the energy and mining industry. The uses of special trucks includes shale field development, renewable energy farms, and other unforeseen business segments which require heavy use of trucks on routes not designed for such high volume business ventures.	✓	✓	✓	✓	Low	Medium
EC	20	Improve access to LNG/CNG, propane and other alternative fuels to support commercial transportation.	✓	✓	✓	✓	Low	Medium
EC	21	Create a policy to enhance private sector conversion from diesel/gas to LNG/CNG, propane, or other alternative fuels to support transportation.	✓	✓	✓	✓	Low	Medium
EC	22	Improve regional consistency & uniformity in permitting. Possibly inter-regional reciprocity among states, standardize over-weight limit categories for OS/OW, interstate routing connectivity, and other collaboration among adjacent states in the region.	✓	✓	✓	✓	Low	Medium
EC	23	Clarify port zone permitting to address distance issue.	✓	✓	✓	✓	Low	Low
EC	24	Construct weigh station at I-49 at the Arkansas State Line.			✓	✓	Low	Low
EC		DOTD and LED to collaborate on identifying transportation needs, issues and impacts when recruiting industry/business into the state.	✓	✓	✓	✓	Low	
INF	38	Voice concern over increasing Federal weight limits.	✓	✓	✓	✓	Low	High
INF	39	Increase funding for roadway maintenance and construction.	✓	✓	✓	✓	Low	High



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S	6	Improve quality of incident management at local level.	✓	✓	✓	✓	Low	High
S	7	Increase supply of truck parking.	✓	✓	✓	✓	Low	High
S	8	Revise/improve roadway design and accommodations for large trucks at intersections and roundabouts.	✓	✓	✓	✓	Low	High
S	9	Relocate and/or redesign the weigh station along I-10 at the Texas Line.			✓	✓	Low	Medium
S	10	Consolidate all state trucking regulatory and safety functions under one state agency to pursue uniformity and efficiency in permitting and enforcement of overweight and oversize vehicles.	✓	✓	✓	✓	Low	Medium

<sup>1</sup> Cost categories: Low = Less than \$50 million, Medium = \$50-100 million; and High = Greater than \$100 million.

**LEGEND:**

- CDE – Community Development & Enhancement Goal
- EC – Economic Competitiveness Goal
- INF – Infrastructure Preservation & Maintenance Goal
- S – Safety Goal