

Highlights from The Windsor-Detroit TradeWay Proposal

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Overview:

Detroit River Tunnel Partnership is:

- A Canadian company owned by Canadian Pacific Railway and Borealis Transportation Infrastructure Trust
- Owner/operator of the existing twin tube rail tunnel handling 400,000 rail cars annually
- Planners, developers and operators for future truck-rail infrastructure through the Windsor-Detroit corridor

Owned by ...

- Borealis Transportation Infrastructure Trust (BTIT)
- Canadian Pacific Railway (CPR)

Opportunity:

Provides significant new transportation infrastructure as the short-term solution for long-term trade prosperity, through:

- Conversion of existing twin tube rail tunnel into state-of-the-art two lane truck way
- Construction of a segregated two lane truckway from Highway 401 – I-75
- Provision for safe, secure pre-clearance customs facilities
- Construction of a new high-clearance rail tunnel open to all rail users
- Delivering an alternative trade route within 5 years

Advantages:

- Low environmental impact
 - Uses existing heavy transportation corridor. Optimizes major crossing infrastructure
- Speed of implementation
 - Project can be completed by early 2007. Preliminary design has been completed.
- Cost effectiveness
 - Leveraging private investments for public benefits
- Provides a new rail tunnel in Detroit/Windsor
 - Only option that increases rail capacity in corridor
- Trade Security/Key Infrastructure Security
 - Provides alternate trade route in event of service interruption at other crossings
- Focuses on commercial traffic
 - Protects Ontario/Michigan economic growth
- Completely secure route
 - Separate from general traffic
- Does not preclude any long-term general solutions