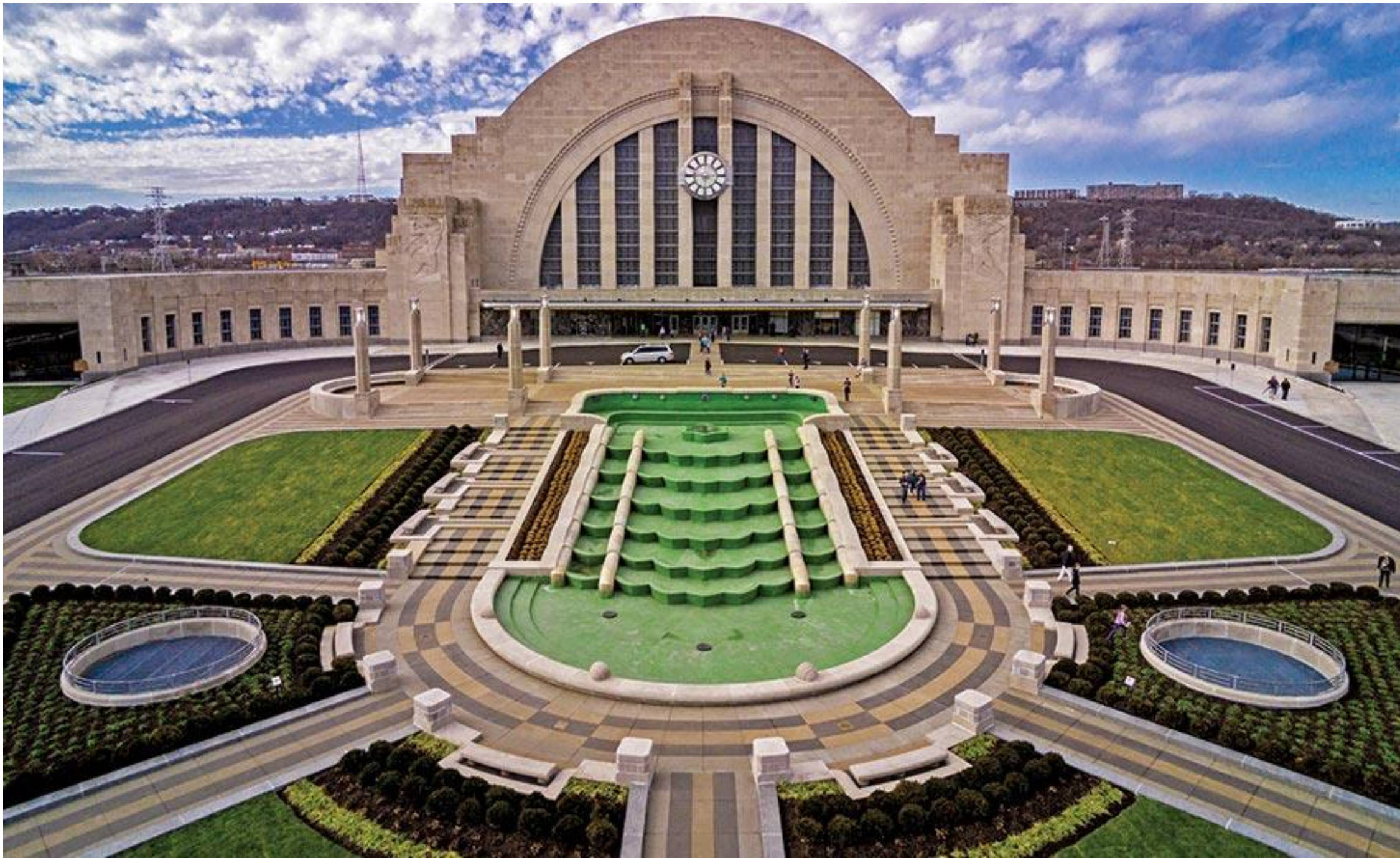


Passenger Rail in Ohio

Cincinnati City Council - Climate, Environment and Infrastructure Committee

Mitch Radakovich
Chair, All Aboard Ohio
April 9th 2024



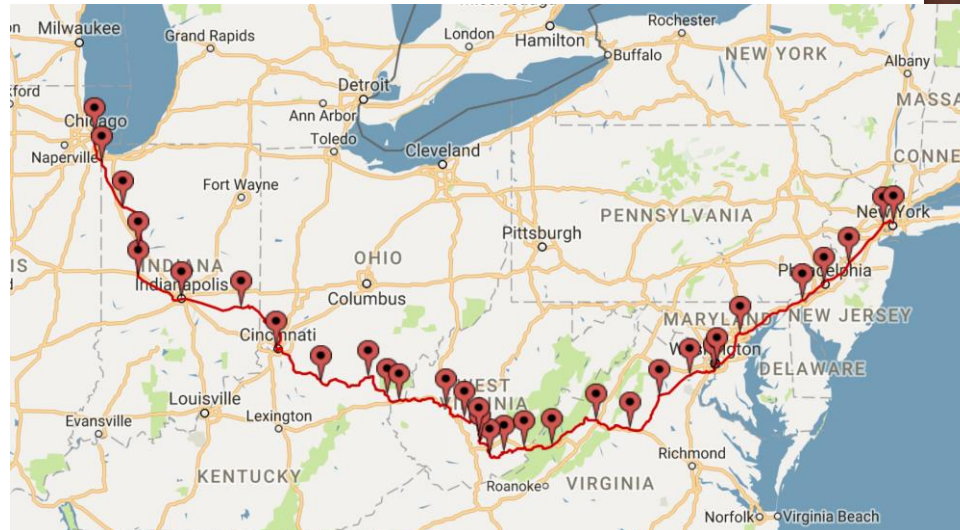


A Reminder of the Past



Rail in Cincinnati - Today

- **Cardinal Service – 3x Weekly**
 - **New York City – DC – Cincinnati – Indianapolis – Chicago**
- **To Chicago: 1:31am – Th/Sat/Mon**
- **To NYC: 3:27am – Wed/Fri/Sun**



Rail in Cincinnati – Current State

Did You Know...

- 20% of the city of Cincinnati do not have access to a vehicle?
- April 9th, 2024 there are two ways to get to Chicago without a plane or car:

Greyhound

5:00 pm Cincinnati Bus Station — 6:40 hrs — 10:40 pm Chicago Train Station

\$105⁹⁹

FASTEST TRIP

Continue >

Bus Direct v

Wi-Fi, Power, USB, Almost full

Departure Thursday, April 11

CIN → CHI

<p>51 Cardinal</p>	<p>DEPARTS</p> <p>1:41_a</p>	<p>9h 19m</p>	<p>ARRIVES</p> <p>10:00_a</p> <p>Trip Details v</p>	<p>Coach from</p> <p>\$81</p>
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Rail in Cincinnati – Current State

→ One way ▾ 1 ▾ Economy ▾

Cincinnati ↔ Chicago Tue, Apr 9

All filters Stops ▾ Airlines ▾ Bags ▾ Price ▾ Times ▾ Emissions ▾ Connecting airports ▾ Duration ▾

Track prices Apr 9 Any dates Date grid Price graph

Best flights

Ranked based on price and convenience ⓘ Prices include required taxes + fees for 1 adult. Optional charges and [bag fees](#) may apply. [Passenger assistance](#) info. Sort by: ↑↓

	6:23 PM – 10:24 PM American	5 hr 1 min CVG–ORD	1 stop 56 min PHL	231 kg CO2e +129% emissions ⓘ	\$296 ▾
	8:14 PM – 11:52 PM Delta	4 hr 38 min CVG–ORD	1 stop 1 hr ATL	202 kg CO2e +100% emissions ⓘ	\$296 ▾
	7:01 PM – 7:24 PM American · Operated by Envoy Air as American Ea...	1 hr 23 min CVG–ORD	Nonstop	88 kg CO2e -13% emissions ⓘ	\$419 ▾

Rail in Cincinnati – Current State

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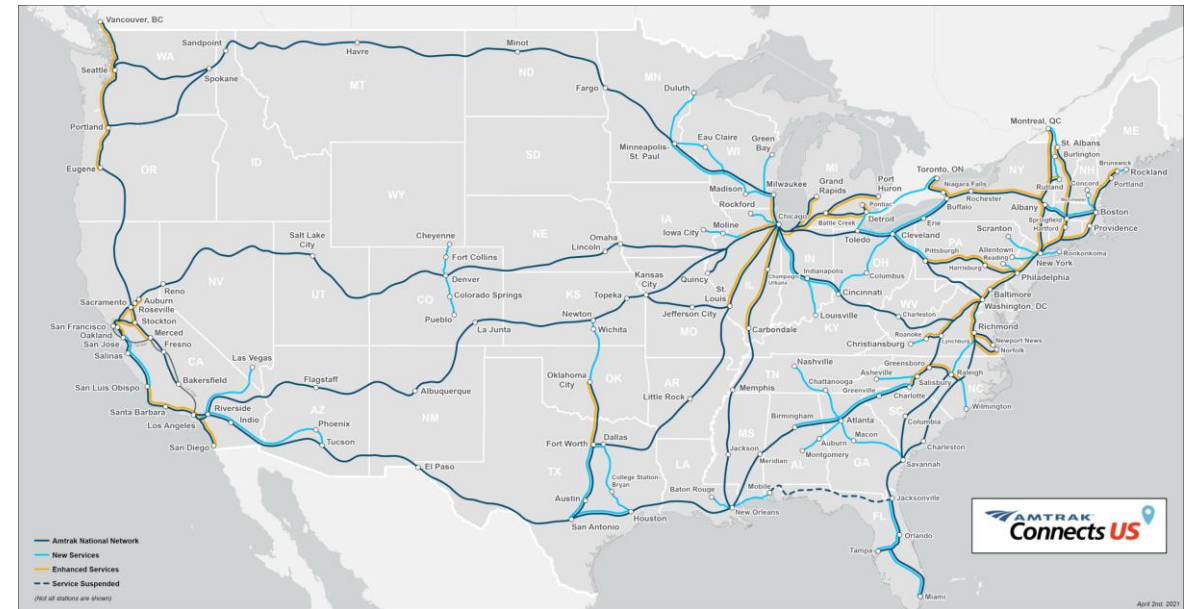
- It is impossible to purchase an Amtrak ticket in Cincinnati without the internet?
- No public transit connectivity available when the Train arrives

A Vision for the Future



Federal Funding

- **2021 Bipartisan Infrastructure and Jobs Act**
 - \$80 Billion to Passenger Rail
- **Corridor ID Program**
 - State sponsored, shorter routes (3C+D)
- **Long Distance Rail Study**
 - Long, interstate routes (Cardinal)



Corridor ID Routes



4 Corridors Studied

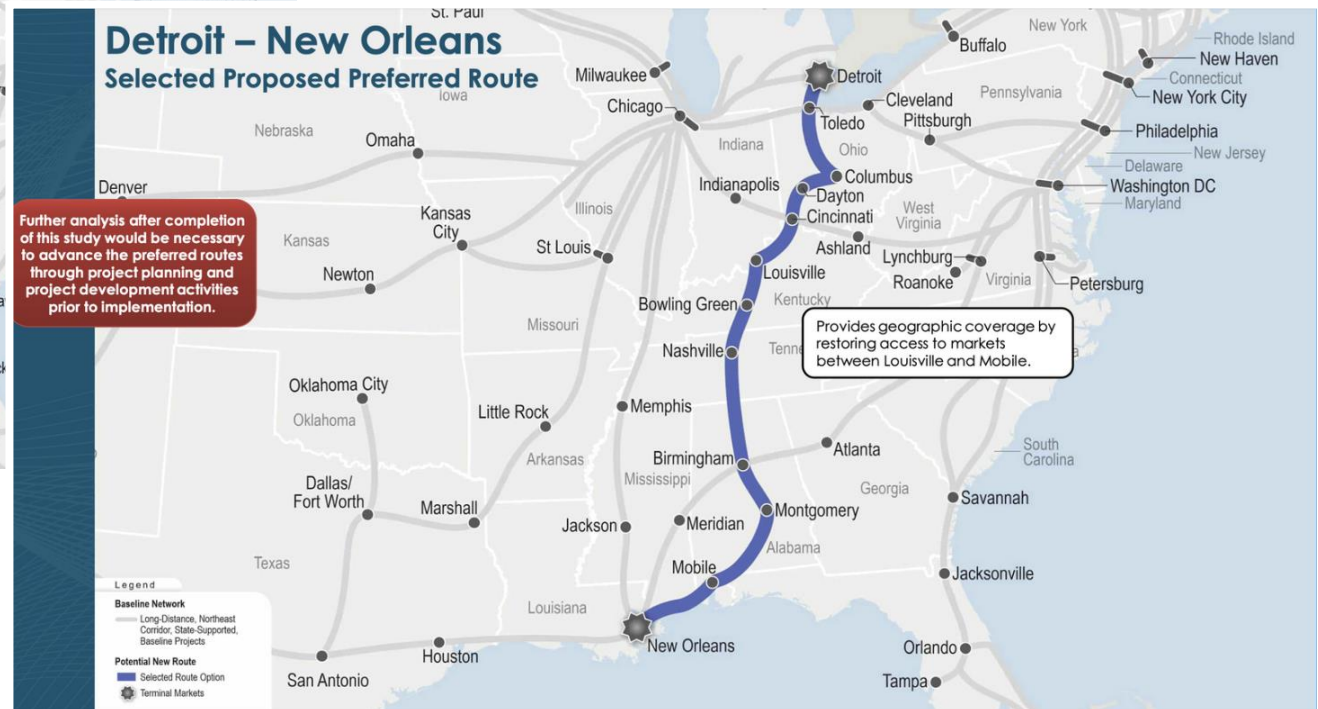
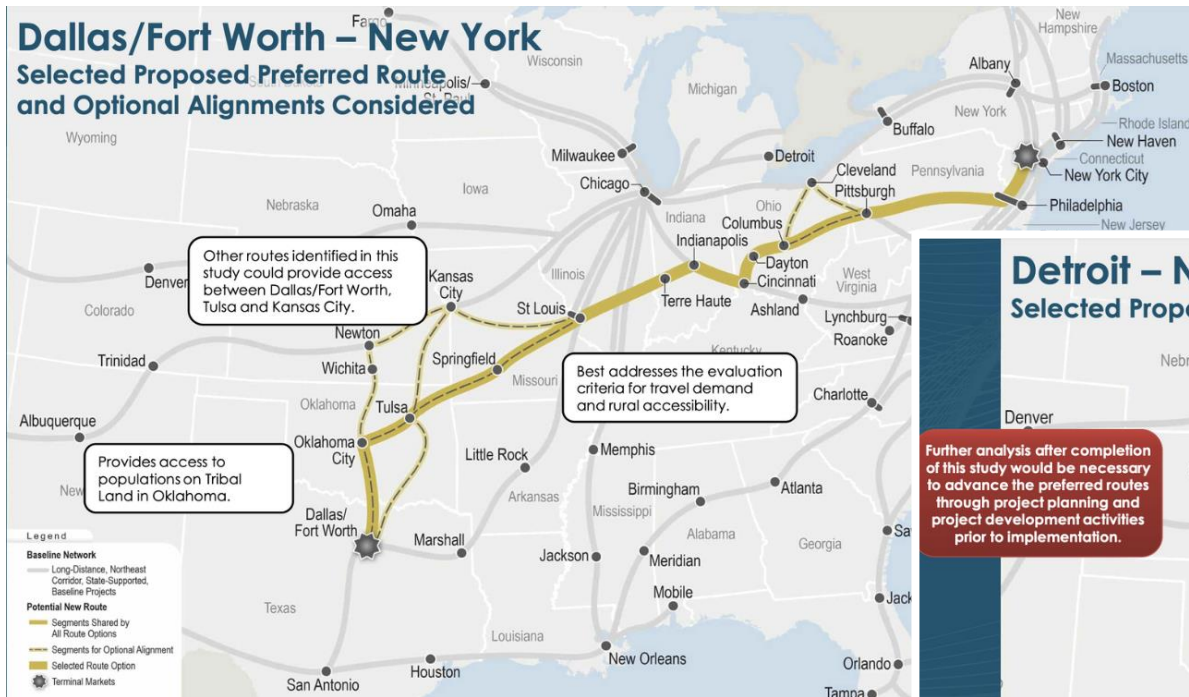
- 3C+D
- Cleveland – Toledo – Detroit
- Chicago – Ft Wayne – Lima – Columbus – Pittsburgh
- Cardinal Improvements to Chicago

3C+D FAQs



- **3x trains a day**
- **Two stops in Cincinnati metro area**
- **Completion around 2030**
- **Runs on existing freight rail lines**
 - **Safety and infrastructure improvements**
- **Improvements needed to Union Terminal**

Long Distance Rail Study



Benefits of Passenger Rail

- **Economic**
 - \$ towards construction, hospitality, service industry
 - Incentive for new companies to move to a connected region
 - Transit oriented development

- **Societal**
 - Connected communities thrive
 - Universities, sports rivalries, trade conferences, arts ...
 - Transportation choices = individual freedom

- **Environmental**
 - Rail transit is “green”!
 - Less cars on the road

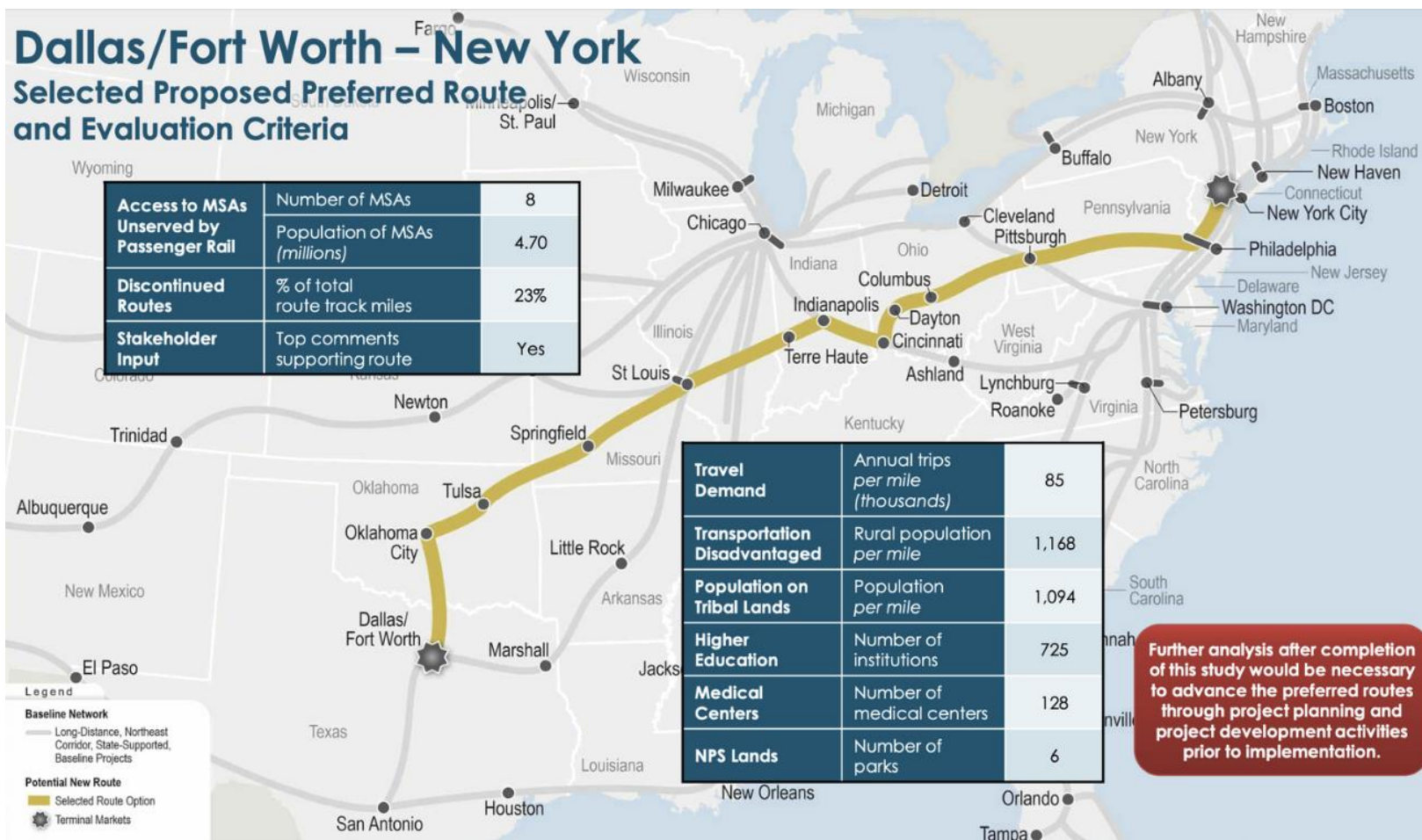


Conclusion

- **Exciting future for rail in Cincinnati**
- **We need the City's leadership in pushing this forward**
- **Rail is counter-cultural – help us make it mainstream!**

Appendix

Long Distance Routes



Long Distance Routes

