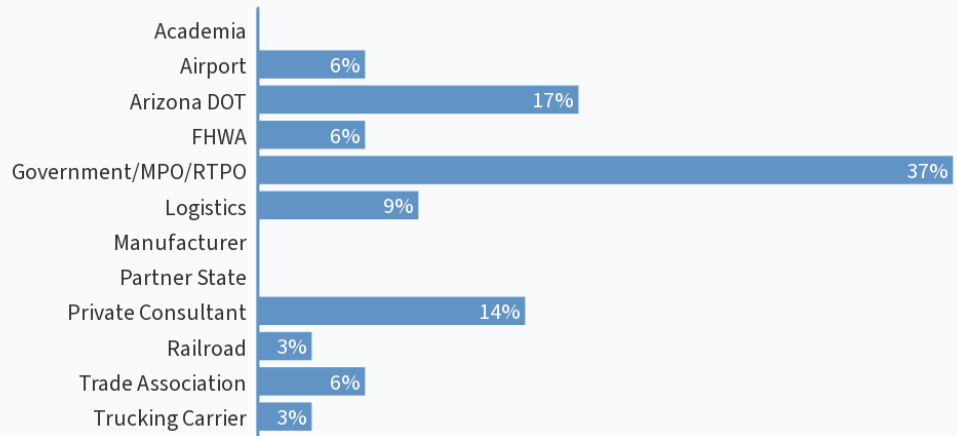


Summary

More than 70 people, including stakeholders and study team members, attended the second Freight Advisory Committee meeting on December 7, 2021, via Zoom. The graphic at right shows the composition of participants.

Please tell us what type of organization you represent...



Presentation Topics

- Primary Highway Freight System Redesignation
- Freight Forecast Update
- Draft Vision and Goals
- Next Steps

The presentation is available at <https://azdot.gov/sites/default/files/media/2021/12/ADOT-State-Freight-Plan120721.pdf>.

Key Takeaways

Primary Highway Freight System Redesignation

The FAST Act National Highway Freight Program (NHFP) directed the FHWA Administrator to establish a National Highway Freight Network. Which roads have the network designation affects how ADOT can use Federal funding for freight projects. FHWA outlined potential options for identifying an additional 960 Primary Highway Freight System (PHFS) miles. ADOT supported the option to accommodate states like Arizona that have more than 2% of the total PHFS and as a result cannot use the NHFP funds on non-PHFS interstates, which would result in an additional 53 miles for Arizona. The majority of FAC members indicated support for ADOT's preference.

Freight Forecast Update

FAC members requested clarification regarding data sources, which the study team will provide.

Draft Vision and Goals

Vision: Arizona’s freight transportation system enhances economic competitiveness and quality growth through innovation and effective system management.

Goals: Safety; System Management and Mobility; Competitiveness

The FAC provided suggestions, including topics that might be missing from the goals such as carbon footprint reduction, integration with land use, and improving funding opportunities. The study team will present updated goal statements at the next FAC meeting.

Updated Project Schedule

