



# SHORT LINES, BIG IMPACT: BENEFITS OF AND NEED FOR TRACK MAINTENANCE TAX CREDIT.



## RAC ONTARIO MEMBERS

### SHORTLINE RAILWAYS

- ACR Agawa Canyon Railroad
- BCRY Barrie-Collingwood Railway
- ETR Essex Terminal Railway Company
- GIO GIO Rail Holdings Corporation
- GEXR Goderich-Exeter Railway Company Ltd.
- HCRY Huron Central Railway Inc.
- NCR Nipissing Central Railway Company
- ONR Ontario Northland Transportation Commission
- OSR Ontario Southland Railway Inc.
- OVR Ottawa Valley Railway
- SOR Southern Ontario Railway
- STTY St. Thomas, Aylmer, Tillsonburg Railway (GIO)
- TRRY Trillium Railway (GIO)

### CLASS 1 FREIGHT RAILWAYS

- CN CN
- CPKC CPKC
- CSX CSX Transportation Inc.
- NS Norfolk Southern Railway

### INTERCITY RAILWAYS

- AMTK Amtrak
- VIA VIA Rail Canada Inc.

### COMMUTER RAILWAYS

- GO Metrolinx
- O-Train Capital Railway
- TTR Toronto Terminals Railway Company Ltd.

### TOURISM RAILWAYS

- SSHR South Simcoe Railway
- ACTT Agawa Canyon Tour Train



# ONTARIO SHORTLINES HAVE BIG ENVIRONMENTAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT.

## ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT



Rail is **4X MORE FUEL EFFICIENT** than trucking.



One unit-train of freight can **REMOVE 300 TRUCKS** from our congested roads.



Locomotives move one tonne of freight more than 200 km on a single litre of fuel.

## ECONOMIC IMPACT

Ontario's shortline railways bring over \$5 B worth of goods on behalf of their customers to market each year. In Canada, 1/5 carloads originate on a shortline railway.



### ONTARIO ORIGINATED CARLOAD PROFILE

- Fuel & Chemicals (50%)
- Metals & Minerals (27%)
- Forest & Paper Products (19%)
- Agriculture & Food products (2%)
- Machinery, Auto & Manufactured Goods (2%)

# 85,000 CARLOADS

START ON AN ONTARIO SHORTLINE



# 2,397 KM

OF TRACK OWNED\*

*\*Main track only*

**ONTARIO SHORTLINES DIRECTLY EMPLOY 1,100 WORKERS THAT SUPPORT OVER 5,000 JOBS IN ONTARIO**



# \$72.8 MILLION

IN CAPITAL EXPENDITURES PER YEAR



# \$7.2 MILLION

IN TAXES PAID TO THE ONTARIO GOVERNMENT IN 2022

## RESULTS OF THE BI-PARTISAN U.S. SHORTLINE TRACK MAINTENANCE TAX CREDIT

# 63%

REDUCTION IN THE COST OF CAPITAL (ALLOWING MORE INVESTMENT)

# \$5 BILLION USD

IN SHORTLINE INVESTMENT (47% INCREASE)

# 1 MILLION

MORE RAIL TIES PURCHASED PER YEAR (MEASURABLY ENHANCING SAFETY)

## AN ONTARIO SHORTLINE TRACK MAINTENANCE TAX CREDIT WILL HELP BUILD A STRONGER ONTARIO.