## **Oregon Rail Facts**

- Going the distance. In Oregon alone, 20 freight railroads operate across 2,382 miles of track.
- Supporting jobs. As of 2017, Oregon freight railroads and their suppliers employed 5,397 people; nationwide, freight rail supported about 1.1 million jobs.
- Connecting markets. The most common commodities originating from Oregon markets are intermodal and lumber and wood
  products. The most common rail imports are intermodal and chemicals.
- Powering state economies. Spending by Class I railroads in 2017 generated nearly \$220 billion in U.S. economic activity and \$26 billion in state and federal tax revenues, according to a Towson University study.
- Preserving infrastructure, cutting congestion. Freight railroads take 3.5 million truckloads off Oregon roads annually.
- Reducing pollution. Moving freight by rail instead of trucks reduces greenhouse gas emissions by an average of 75 percent.



