# MONTANA REVENUE & TRANSPORTATION INTERIM COMMITTEE

### SJR 26 STUDY: MOVEMENT OF OVERSIZE LOADS





- ESTABLISHED IN 1952
- HEAVY INDUSTRIAL FABRICATION AND CONSTRUCTION SERVICES MARKETS
- CORPORATE HEADQUARTERS: CORPUS CHRISTI, TX
- OVER 4000 EMPLOYEES
- ADDITIONAL FACILITIES IN MORGAN CITY AND BELLE CHASSE, LA; TAMPICO, MX; BARRANQUILLA, CO; HOUSTON, TX; AND BILLINGS, MT



### MONTANA SOLUTIONS/ADVANTAGES:

- ADEQUATE SKILLED LABOR FORCE
- MODERATE TAXATION
- STABLE ECONOMY
- STABLE WAGE ENVIRONMENT
- UNUSED/UNDERUTILIZED INFRASTRUCTURE
- POTENTIAL, UNOBSTRUCTED, AFFORDABLE ROADWAYS
- LESS SEVERE WINTER WEATHER ENVIRONMENT



### TRANSPORTATION - A CRITICAL ELEMENT:

- STANDARD, NON-PERMITTED TRUCKABLE PRODUCTS
- STANDARD PERMITTED TRUCKABLE PRODUCTS
- EDMONTON "MAX" SPECIALIZED HAUL PRODUCTS AND MODULES

NOTE: THE BUSINESS PLAN REQUIRED TO SUPPORT THIS FACILITY DEPENDENT ON THE ABILITY TO SAFELY AND EFFICIENTLY MANUFACTURE AND TRANSPORT LARGE/HEAVY COMPONENTS TO CANADA



### STRENGTHS:

- BILLINGS LOCATION
- LOCATED ALONG MAJOR TRANSPORTATION ROUTES

### **WEAKNESSES:**

- TRANSPORT PERMITTING
- ABSENCE OF CLEAR HAULING CORRIDOR
- INEFFICIENT, COSTLY, UNIQUE PERMIT HAULS
- Uncertainty of Permit Issue and Hauling Timetables



### **OPPORTUNITIES:**

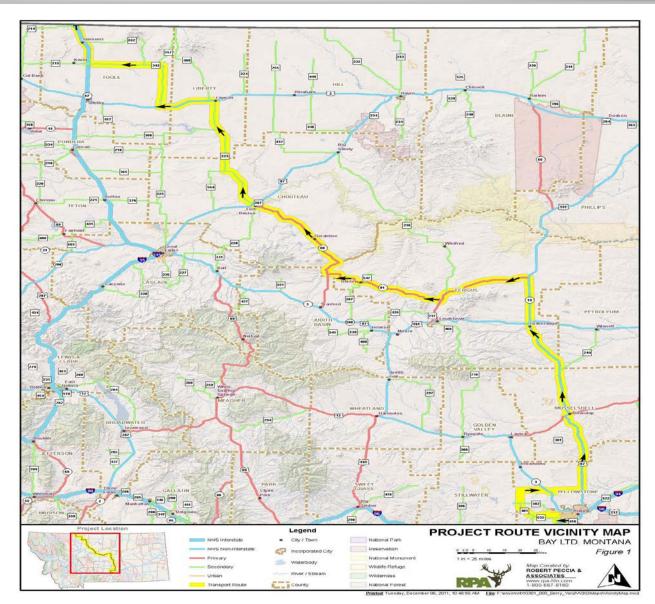
- CANADA OIL SANDS MARKET
- BAKKEN/WILLISTON BASIN FIELD DEVELOPMENT
- 17+ DOMESTIC REFINERIES W/IN SURROUNDING STATES

### **THREATS:**

- TRANSPORTATION COSTS AND TIME DISADVANTAGE
- CANADIAN CLIENT PERCEPTION: MODULES <u>CANNOT</u> BE RELIABLY TRANSPORTED THROUGH MONTANA
- GOVERNMENT DISPOSITION TOWARD PUSHING FOR SMALLER MODULES/COMPONENTS



### **Transportation Route**





- 2-3 "TANDEM" SHIPMENTS PER WEEK
- HEAVIEST LOADS 156 METRIC TONS, 24'W, 29'H, 100' L
- WEIGHT DISTRIBUTION OVER 8-12 AXLES, MAXIMUM EIGHT-TIRE-AXLE-LINE LOAD: 39,750 LBS
- GROUND PRESSURE/TIRE (APPROX. 5000 LBS.) FOR THE HEAVIEST LOADS
- DO NOT TRAVERSE ANY MOUNTAIN PASSES, NATIONAL PARKS OR NATIVE-AMERICAN LANDS.
- EXCEPT FOR BILLINGS, NO MAJOR METROPOLITAN AREAS ARE IMPACTED



- SHIPMENTS BEGIN AT NIGHT TO AVOID TRAFFIC
- BAY RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL COSTS FOR MODIFICATIONS TO ROADWAYS AND SIGNAGE
- GOOD RELATIONSHIPS AND COOPERATION WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IS GOOD
- ALL SHIPMENTS ARE ENVIRONMENTALLY SAFE
- MONTANA MOTOR CARRIERS USED WHEN POSSIBLE FOR
- AGREEMENTS IN PLACE WITH MONTANA STATE TROOPERS AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS FOR ESCORTS



#### **BAY INVESTMENT IN ROUTE CLEARANCE:**

- PERMANENT RELOCATION OF UTILITY OBSTRUCTIONS
  - RAISE OR BURY POWER LINES
  - RAISE OR BURY TELECOMMUNICATIONS LINES
  - Relocate utility poles/guy wires
  - INSTALL SWING-OUT, SWIVEL BOLTED CONNECTIONS OR CANTILEVERED POLES FOR \SIGNS, TRAFFIC SIGNALS AND LIGHTS
  - REPLACE OVERHEAD FLASHING LIGHTS WITH SOLAR POWERED SIGNS
- INSTALL/CONSTRUCT A FEW STRATEGIC ROAD-TURNOUTS IN HIGH-TRAFFIC AREAS
- PERFORM ENGINEERING AND PLANNING IN SUPPORT OF ABOVE



#### Manufacturing/Fabrication of "Edmonton Max" Modules



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# Vessel Move



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# Night Move



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# TEXAS PERMITTING & ROUTING OPTIMIZATION SYSTEM (TXPROS):

- Online permitting and GIS-based mapping system
- Allows customers to apply for and self-issue many permits
- Modernizes the routing and permitting of oversize and overweight loads
- Provides real-time restriction management
- Also allows you to manage your company's account information



# TXPROS DELIVERS SEVERAL BENEFITS TO OVERSIZE AND OVERWEIGHT LOAD PERMIT CUSTOMERS:

- Increased route safety
- Faster permit issuance
- Self-issue capabilities
- Turn-by-turn directions



### **TXPROS** COMES WITH THE FOLLOWING FEATURES:

 Permit Wizard - Tool to help make permit recommendations.

### Customer Dashboard

- current permit application status
- messages from TxDMV
- customer statistics
- links to functions



### **CONCLUSIONS:**

- 57.8% of all permits were self-issue in 2012
- May be capturing "latent-demand"
- Maps updated in ½ time
- Reduced risk of routing mistakes
- Agency staff can manage workflow, staffing and performance in real time
- Increased data collection



### **CONCLUSIONS CONTINUED:**

- Original investment: \$1.6MM
- Initial ROI projected 7-8 years; took less than 1
- Reduces damage to highway infrastructure long term, while adding funds for highway maintenance
- Saves customers time and money



# **SUMMARY**

TXPROS STREAMLINES PERMITTING & ROUTING, ANALYZES AND PRODUCES MORE ACCURATE ROUTES, ELIMINATES MANY MANUAL PROCESSES, INCREASES SAFETY, RAISES MORE REVENUE, STRETCHES LIMITED RESOURCES, **EXCEEDS CUSTOMER EXPECTATIONS, AND HAS CAUGHT THE ATTENTION OF OTHER STATES** NATIONWIDE.



### **WEBSITE:**

WWW.TXDMV.GOV/MOTOR-CARRIERS/OVERSIZE-OVERWEIGHT-PERMITS

### **THANK YOU!**

