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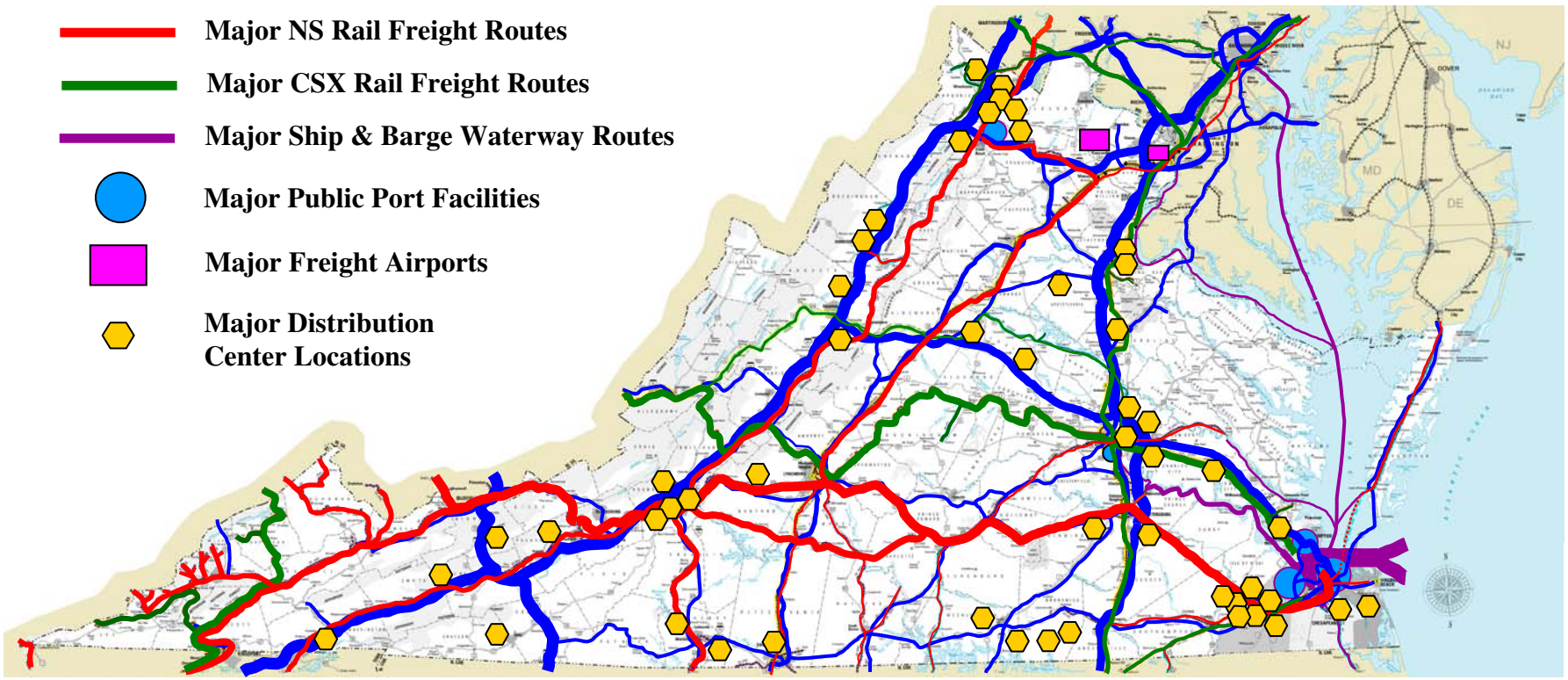
Statewide Rail Update

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Freight Flows in Virginia

Combined Roadway, Rail, Waterway and Aviation Modes

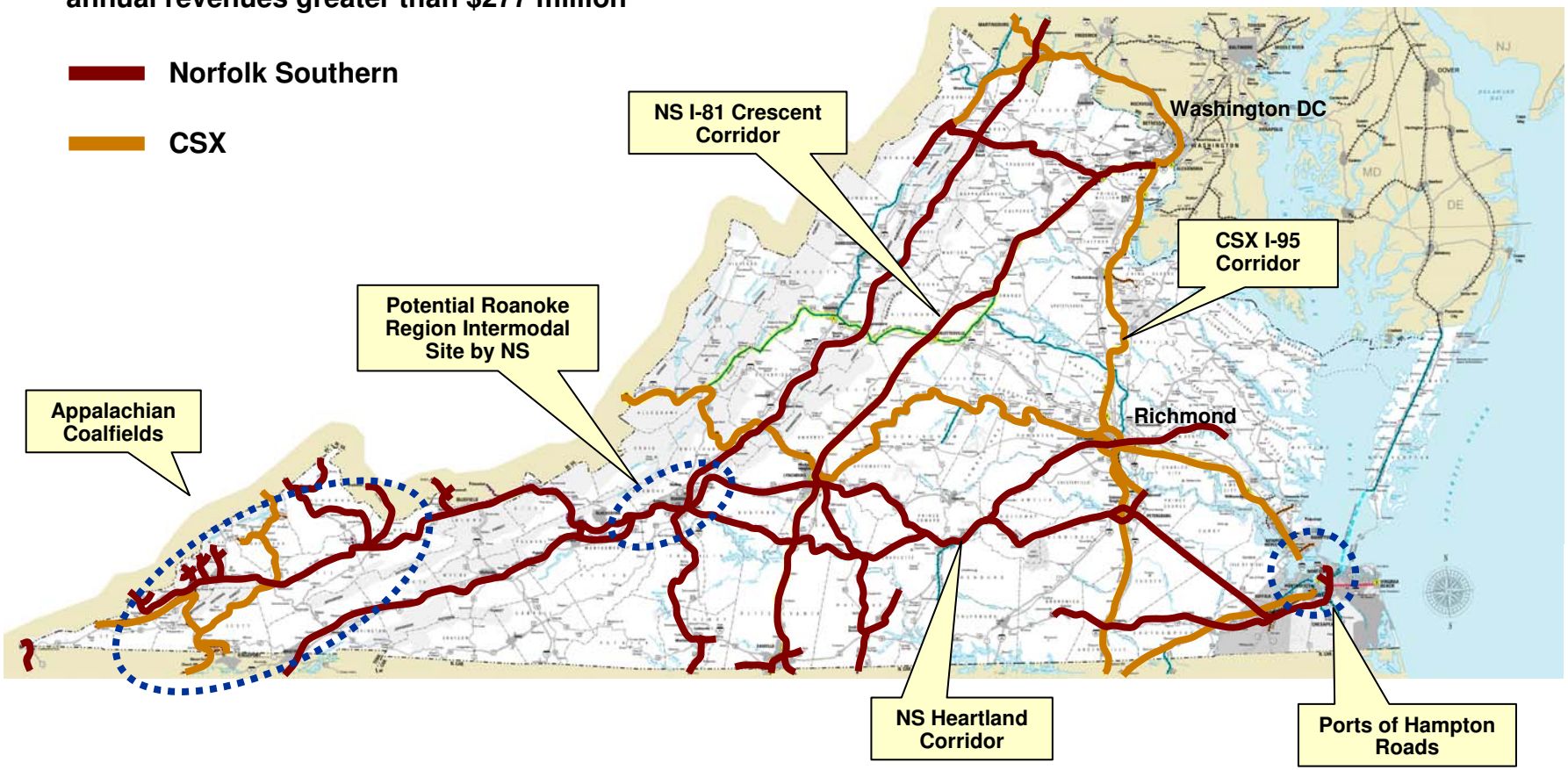


Note: Thickness of lines denotes relative cargo volume for each mode (2002 Data)

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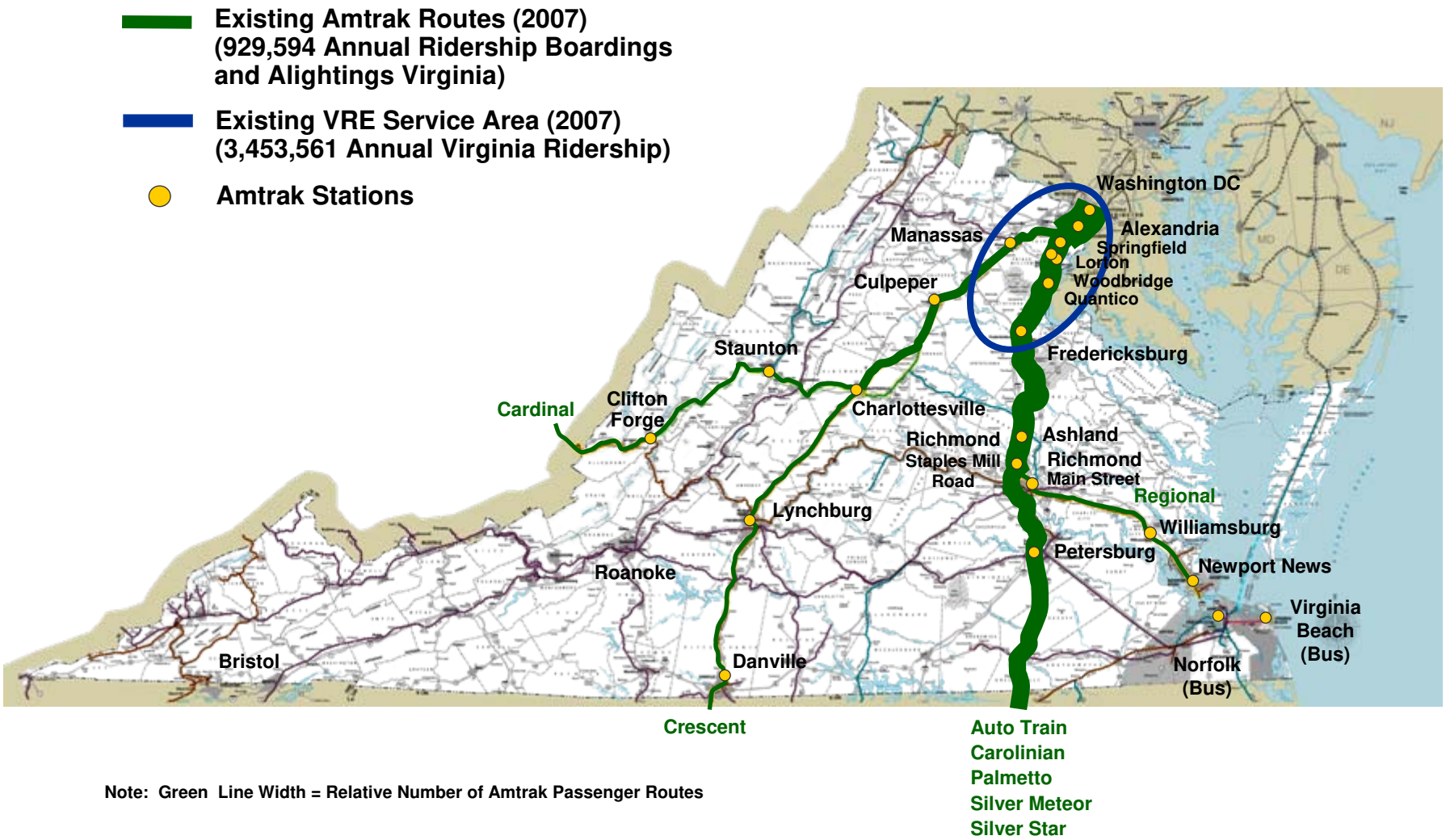
Class I Freight Railroads

Definition: Class I freight railroads have annual revenues greater than $277 million



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Passenger Rail



Note: Green Line Width = Relative Number of Amtrak Passenger Routes

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Statewide Rail Plan Overview

- Improving upon the 2004 Statewide Rail Plan
- Update will include a constrained financial plan for SYIP
  - Estimated costs for an unconstrained plan will also be provided for both short-term implementation plan and long-term vision plan (2035)
  - Costs for passenger and freight rail will be based on realistic estimates generated through preliminary or final design and engineering
  - Brings years of study efforts into an actionable document
    - Based on VTRANS 2035 update and other statewide planning and analysis studies
- Prioritize major freight and passenger rail corridors
  - Identify improvement needs
    - Passenger on-time performance (95% goal)
    - Freight corridor developments
  - Identify costs
- Rail Plan will contain a six-year short term implementation plan and a 2035 long term vision plan

Build on Guiding Principles of Rail Enhancement Fund

- Intended to support growth of freight and/or passenger rail transportation
  - Railways or railroad equipment
  - Rolling stock
  - Rights-of-Way
  - Facilities
- Projects funded by minimum 30% local/private funds and maximum 70% Commonwealth funds
- Project policy goals
  - Has a public benefit ratio greater than or equal to one
  - Addresses needs identified in state, regional, or local plans
  - Encourages and supports economic development
  - Focuses on quick turn-around, high impact projects that lead to an integrated SYIP for passenger and freight rail
  - Contributes to the effectiveness of the entire multimodal transportation system

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Statewide Rail Plan Schedule

- February 2008: began plan development
- April 2008: presentation to CTB on US 29 Corridor
- April – May 2008: As part of the SYIP hearings, public input will be received on the Statewide Rail Plan Update
- July 2008: brief CTB on draft document
- July 31 2008: finalize and complete statewide rail plan
- September 30, 2008: resource allocation report

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