Flow tomorrow moves



#### Brad Spencer CSX Transportation

5/4/2016



HEAVY HAUL SEMINAR . MAY 4 - 5, 2016



#### Railroad performance

- Long Term Trend
  - Reduced broken rail derailments



CSX's Total FRA Reportable Broken Rail Main and Siding Derailments



HEAVY HAUL SEMINAR . MAY 4 - 5, 2016

2

#### **WRI** 2016

#### Risk Evaluation FRA 213

- FRA regulation and CSX evaluates segments of track based on Service Failures per mile per year.
- FRA regulations were published in 2014.
  - .10 RSF per year per mile of track for class 4, or class 5
  - .09 RSF per year per mile of track with passenger or Hazmat for class 3, class 4, and class 5.
  - .08 RSF per year per mile of track with Hazmat and passenger for class 3, class 4, and class 5.



HEAVY HAUL SEMINAR . MAY 4 - 5, 2016



#### **Corrective Actions**

- Adjust Rail Test Frequency
- Rail Grinding
- Capital Planning Rail Replacement
- Lubrication / Friction Modifiers
- Temporary Slow Order and Remediation
- Develop and explore new technologies and advancements in Service Failure Prevention



HEAVY HAUL SEMINAR . MAY 4 - 5, 2016



# Rail Test Integration and Modeling



### Rail Replacement

- Extending and maximizing life is accomplished by many factors and not just one. CSX uses a holistic approach.
- Taking all the inputs and putting your resources where you need it based on many factors.
  - Defect history
  - Age of rail
  - Wear and predictive wear
  - Risk assignment
  - Curvature and Grade



HEAVY HAUL SEMINAR . MAY 4 - 5, 2016





#### **Rail Grinding**

- Maintenance or Corrective Grinds
- Rail is the most expensive component of the track
- Grinding has evolved to help control wear on rail and wheel by managing WR Contact.
- Frequencies are based on many variables
  - Including type of track
  - Tonnage
  - curvature
  - Profile



HEAVY HAUL SEMINAR . MAY 4 - 5, 2016



## Lubrication/ Friction Modifiers

#### Gage Face

- Lubrication in curves has proven to be an effective technique to reduce rail and wheel wear
- Extends wear life
- Reduces curving forces
- Reduces Wheel Flanging noises



HEAVY HAUL SEMINAR . MAY 4 - 5, 2016



### Lubrication/ Friction Modifiers

- Top Of Rail Friction Modifiers
  - CSX has been using TOR now for over 5 years
  - Wheel tread to distribute the friction modifier
  - Reduces wheel flanging noise and wheel squeal
  - Positive friction during wheel slippage
  - Reduces L/V Forces which reduces rail rollover and gage widening
  - Reduces Rail corrugation



HEAVY HAUL SEMINAR . MAY 4 - 5, 2016





## What is new and coming to help manage rail integrity

- Eddy Current
- **Phased Array**
- Run on Run Real Time Analysis of Test Data
- Continuous Non- Stop Ultrasonic Testing •
- Advancements in Machine Vision for RCF
- **Thermal Imaging**

\*\*\* All will be a piece of the puzzle for lowering risk



HEAVY HAUL SEMINAR . MAY 4 - 5, 2016

11



- Laser based ultrasonic
- **Big Data Integration** 
  - **Base Rail Testing**

. . . . .