

# **BNSF** Railway **Houston Operations**

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### **About BNSF Railway**



170+ years old

A Berkshire Hathaway company

Corporate Headquarters: Fort Worth, TX

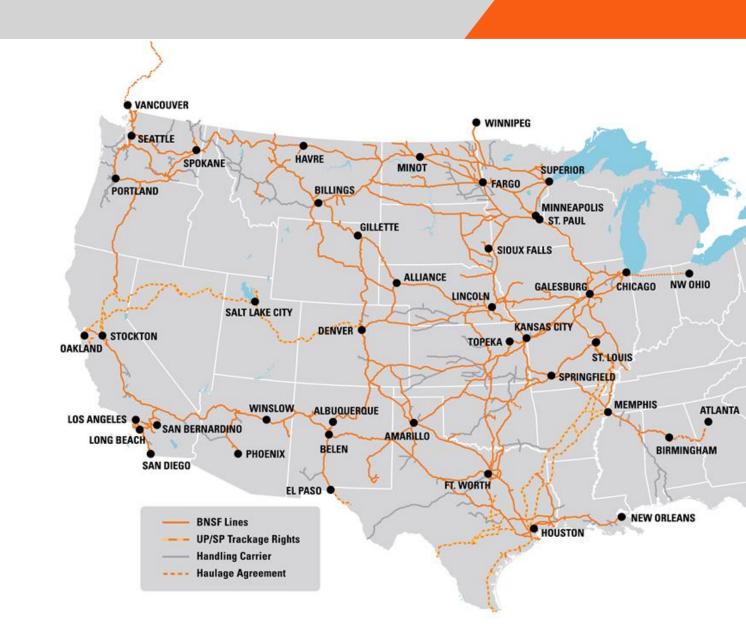
• ~34,000 employees



#### Our Network



- 32,500 route miles in 28 states and three Canadian provinces
- ~ 8,000 locomotives
- Operates an average of 1,200 trains/day
- 13,000 bridges and 89 tunnels
- Serves +40 ports
- 26 intermodal facilities



# A Key Link in the U.S. Supply Chain



Each year in the U.S., trains, trucks and barges efficiently deliver **57 tons** of goods for every American.

Efficiencies inherent in freight rail ensure that businesses remain competitive in the global economy.













#### **BNSF** in Texas



• Employees: 8,152

Payroll: \$817,159,983

BNSF Foundation Support: \$2,112,198

Miles of track: 2,604

Rail yards: 23

Intermodal facilities: 3

Commodities: freight of all kind

2021Capital investment: \$205M+

 37 new or expanded facilities, 1,000 jobs and \$400M in investments since 2019

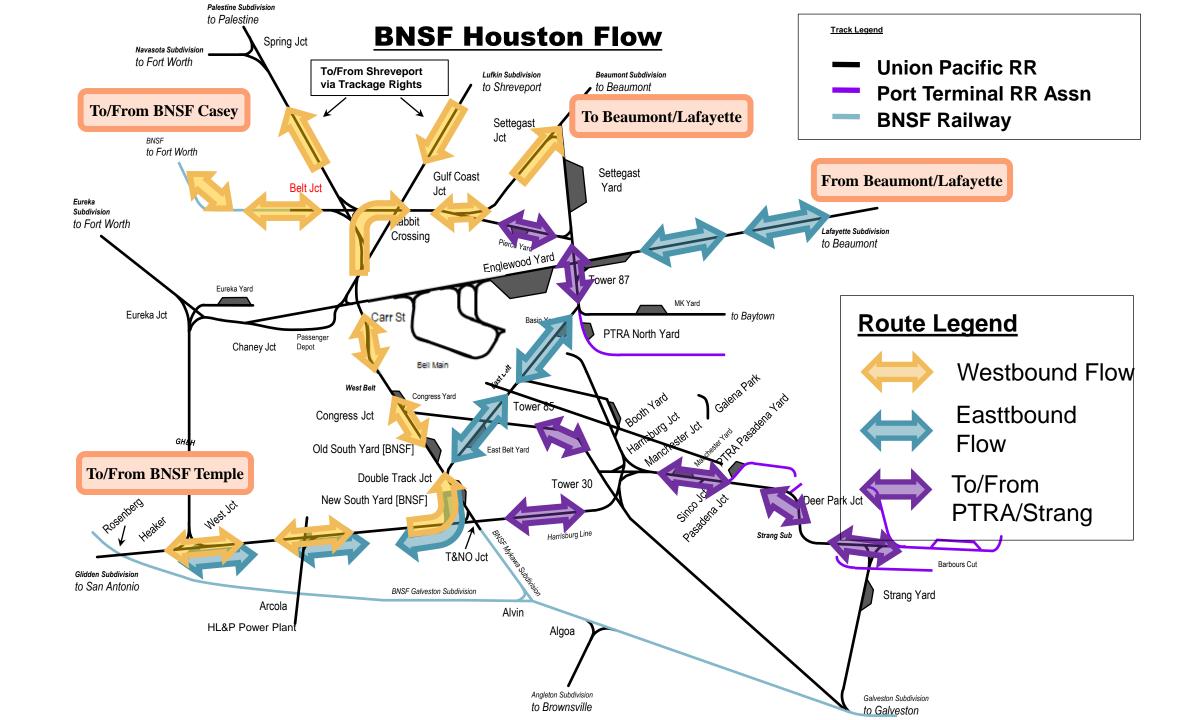


### **BNSF Houston Operations**



- 1 of 4 freight railroads operating in the Houston complex
- Employees: 344
- Yard(s): South Yard
- ~25% of trains operating in the complex
- Several entry points for BNSF trains into the Houston complex
- All dispatching is controlled by the Union Pacific





### Coordinating Daily Train Movements



- Direct communication with UP dispatching at entry points for handoff
- Yard entries/departures:
- -Communication occurs between UP dispatch, the train crew and the yard master for inbound trains
- -Communication occurs between the train crew and UP's dispatching for outbound trains
- In the event of a train incident, train crews communicate directly with the UP dispatch
- Community calls related train operations are directed to the UP



### Railroad Collaboration in Houston





In order to ensure alignment among the railroads and anticipate issues affecting the movement of our trains, BNSF participates in the following activities:

- Daily calls with the UP to discuss inbound and outbound trains
- Each railroad has employees located in the Spring dispatching center to coordinate and provide feedback
- Monthly phone calls among all railroads operating in the complex
- City of Houston working group on railroad issues

# Improving Mobility at Grade Crossings



- Continued communication between public agencies, the City and railroads
- Freight studies and plans (i.e. TXDOT Houston- Beaumont Freight Study)
- Infrastructural improvements through state and federal grant funding



