Efficient Transportation is Important to Quality Food Delivery

Produce and food industries are highly dependent upon efficient transportation flows to deliver fresh and high-quality food items quickly from farm to table.

- AMT’s plan would bring the following solutions at no-cost to the American taxpayer:
  - Increase capacity by 18.6%, allowing two additional pallets per Twin 33 trailer, according to research by Ronald R. Knipling, Ph.D.
  - Save billions in shipping costs.
  - Reduce millions of hours of traffic congestion to save time and money, and increase productivity.
  - Bring certainty to industries looking for farm to table transportation efficiencies to streamline supply chains.

Additionally, Twin 33s will abide by the current 80,000 lb weight limit. They would only operate on the Federal Highway Network—not on city streets or local roads. Moreover, Twin 33 configurations would be safer on highways than current configurations because Twin 33s are more dynamically stable at highway speeds and are more stable during abrupt evasive maneuvers and less likely to roll over.
## WOAS: Importance of Trucking Capacity during COVID Pandemic

**The Wall Street Journal**

“Trucking capacity is getting tighter as demand surges from retailers and manufacturers hustling to replenish stores and distribution centers cleaned out by shoppers stockpiling food and sanitizing supplies.

“Given the amount of foodstuffs and consumables being purchased, it has created a tremendous amount of disruption across those supply chains,” said Mr. Pinkerton.”

*The Wall Street Journal: Truckers Facing Coronavirus Hurdles in Keeping Supply Chains Moving* (3/18/20)

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**HDT Truckinginfo**

“North America has always depended on trucking. But now, as the COVID-19 crisis deepens, it is beginning to look like the United States, Canada and Mexico will depend on trucking in a way we have never experienced.

In this global crisis caused by the rapid spread of the coronavirus, it will literally be fleets and truck drivers who carry us through the dark days ahead and out to the other side.”

*HDT Truckinginfo: COVID-19 Epidemic is Trucking’s Time to Shine* (3/18/20)

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**Cornell University**

“Transportation disruptions could quickly scale to an industry problem. For fresh products a transportation delay could result in product spoilage or at least enough of a degradation in quality to have a price effect....” Cornell University agricultural economist Andrew Novakovic.

*Cornell University: “Amidst COVID-19, transportation disruptions pose biggest threat to food supply”* (3/17/20)