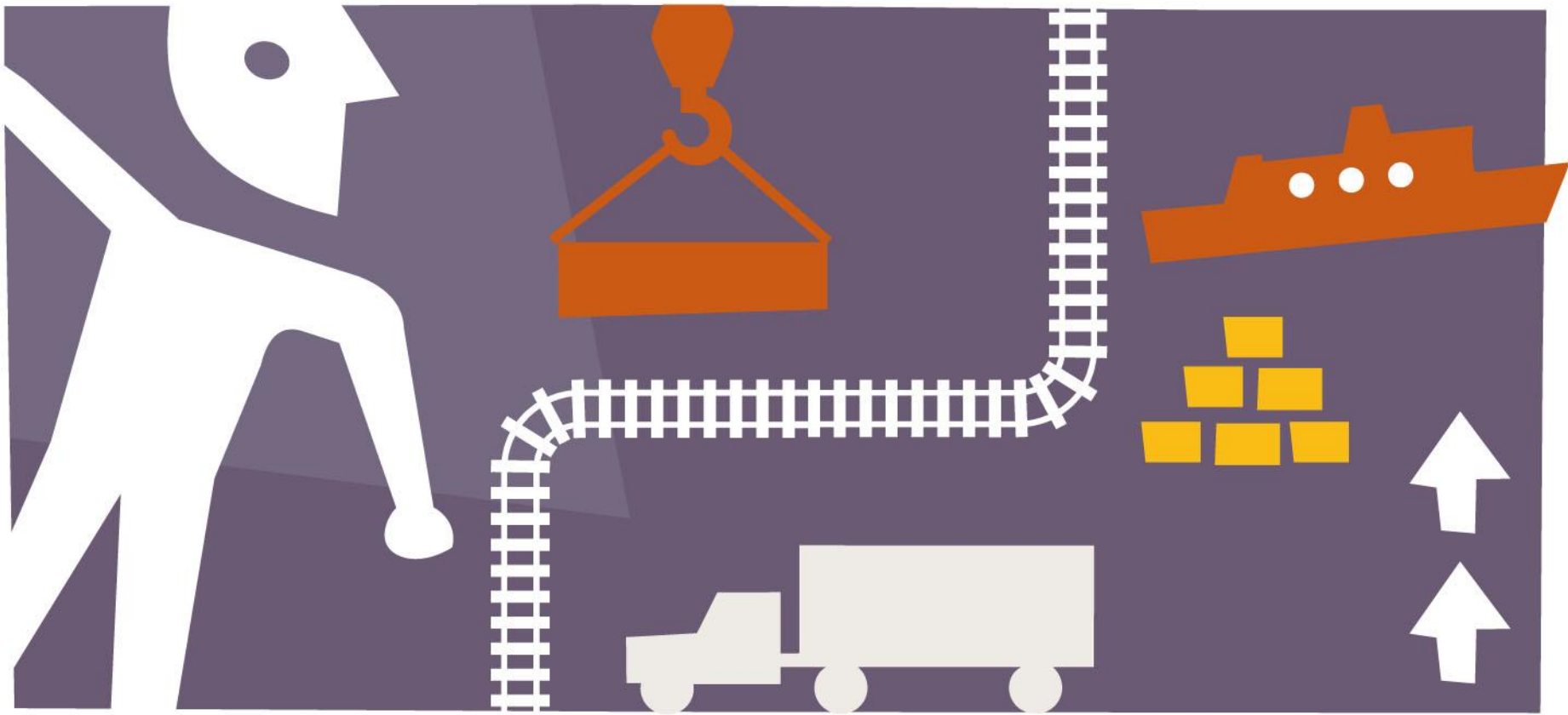


A Toolkit for the Development of Intermodal Hubs in Victoria

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Why do we need intermodal hubs?

- Victoria's economic wellbeing
- Managing the freight task
- Managing congestion impacts
- Optimising infrastructure investment
- Developing with whole of Victoria
- Sustainability



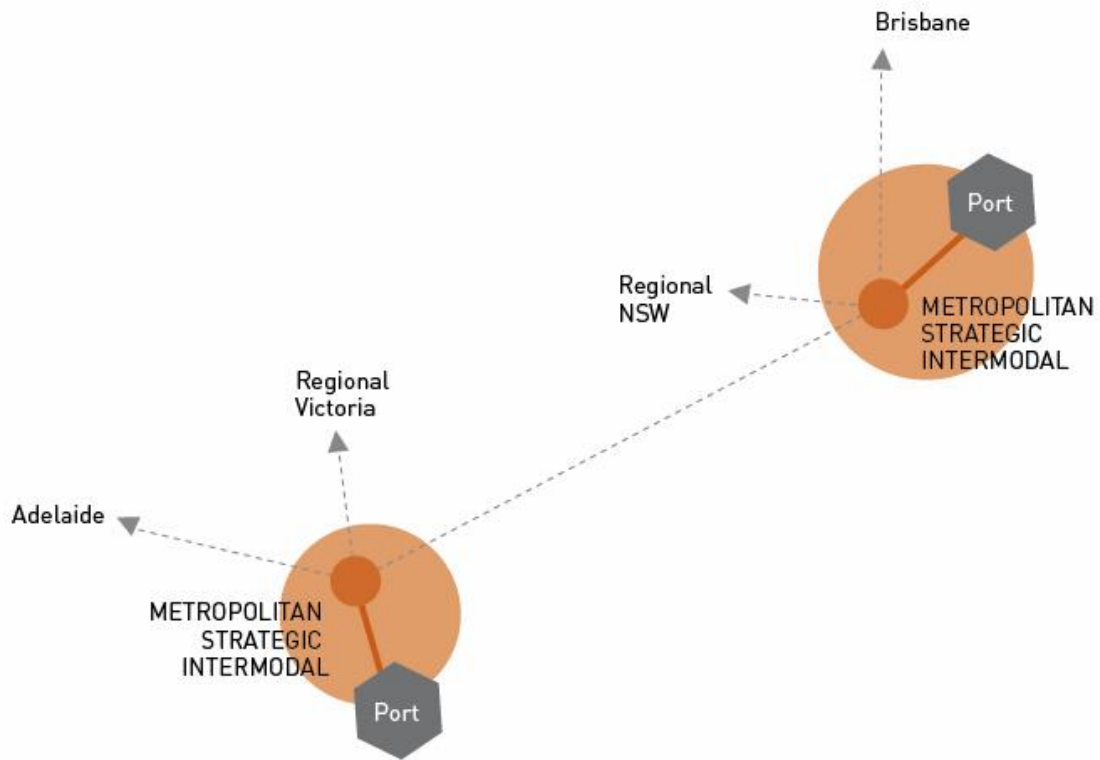


How do hubs work?

- **A NETWORK of Hubs**
 - Strategic metropolitan hubs
 - Regional hubs
 - Interstate, intrastate, port connections
- **A SYSTEM of interactions**
 - Customers in hub catchment
 - In-hub activities and services
 - Transport to other nodes
 - Operations at the interface with other nodes (ports, hubs, railheads)
 - Terminal access and handling



Hub Network





Policy as a Foundation

“There is no intermodal hub policy at present which enables industry to comprehend a consistent scenario of government support and investment within which the private sector can develop these hubs.”

- **Commitment to rail sharing landside transport task**
- **Support for short haul rail to ports**
- **A vision for a network of strategic rail-connected hubs supported by AusLink**
- **Forward investment of congestion benefits into hubs**
- **Partnership with industry through a business plan**
- **Reinforcement of role of regional hubs**





What is in the Toolkit?

4 BASIC TOOLS

- **Regulation**
- **Strategic planning**
- **Building infrastructure capacity**
- **Government-industry business plan**





Regulation

- **Declaration of common user, open access hubs**
- **Land use planning and buffering of hubs and corridors**
- **Pricing surveillance**
- **Coordination with high productivity vehicle access**



Strategic Planning

- **Integrated multi-modal freight strategy**
- **Intermodal strategy one part of this**
- **Determine the strategic hub locations**
- **Network approach**
- **Export targets, urban fringe planning, greenhouse strategy, regional development, public transport articulation**
- **Include operational environments and regulation**





Building Infrastructure Capacity

- **Corridors**
- **Interface infrastructure**
- **Transport nodes**
- **Regional hub infrastructure**






Government-Industry Business Plan

- **Investment guidelines**
- **Hub facilitation program**
- **Container management**
- **Consignment of cargoes to hubs**
- **Model business case**
- **“Going Intermodal” program**
- **Coordinating and reviewing the plan**





How can short haul rail compete with road?

- **Introducing parity between rail and road at the port interface by eliminating the differential in port terminal handling / access charges;**
- **Considering a ‘single operator’ or underwriter of train services between hub intermodal terminals and port terminals;**
- **Support to stimulate demand for short haul rail through a capped, short term remittance of externality benefits to the path purchaser/risk taker. This assistance would be scaled according to volume and congestion on the road network the freight would be removed from.**





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