

Western Interstate Energy Board

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EIS Rail Shipping Routes

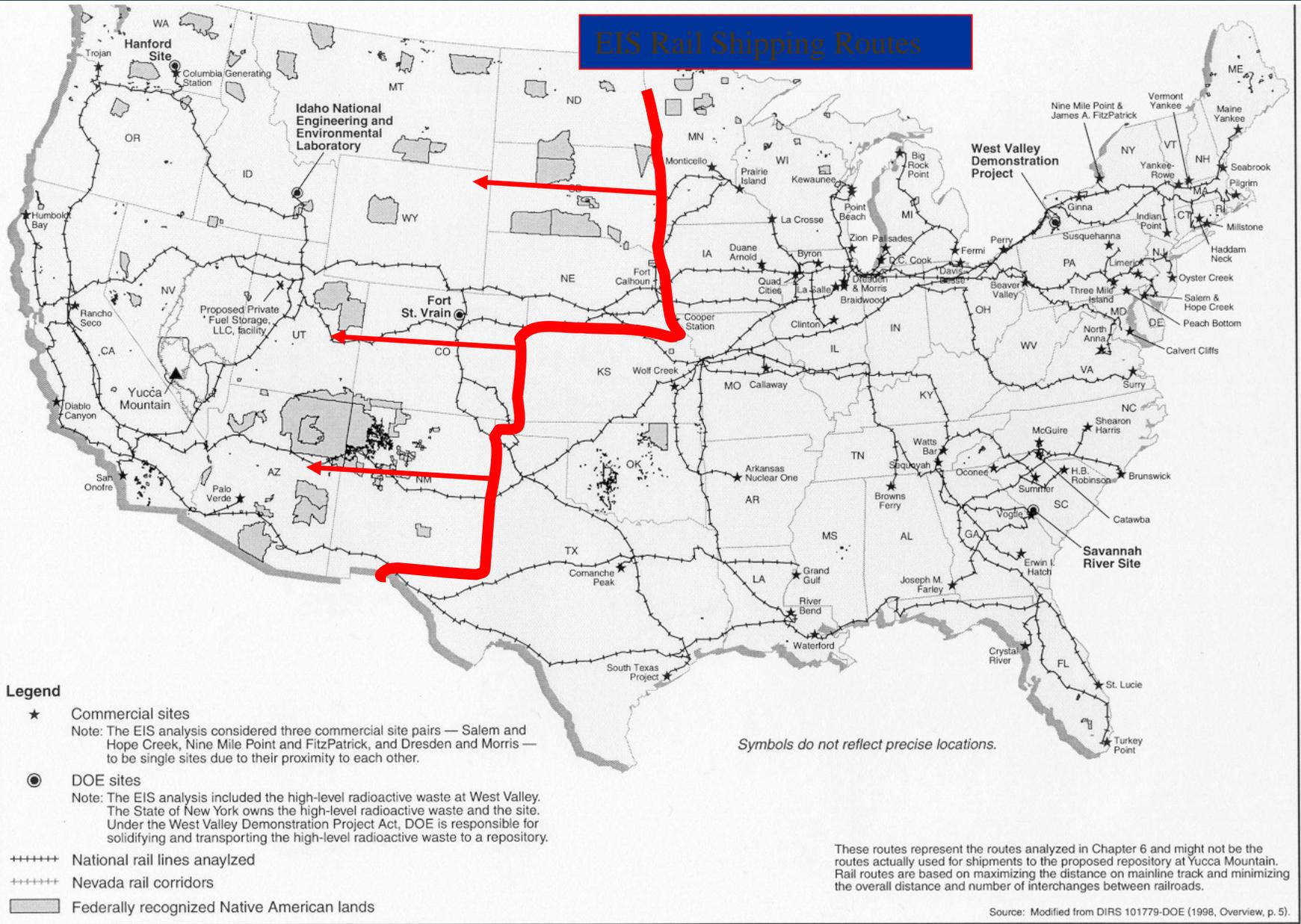


Figure J-6. Representative rail routes from commercial and DOE sites to Yucca Mountain analyzed for the Proposed Action and Inventory Modules 1 and 2.

WIEB's Work Is Guided by Western Governors' Policies

1. Mode and route specific analysis
2. Full scale cask testing
3. Assessing terrorism risks
4. Financial and technical assistance to states (based on the user pays principle)
5. Effective coordination with states
6. Do not turn governmental decisions over to contractors (privatization)

WGA Resolutions

03-16 [Private Storage of Commercial Spent Nuclear Fuel](#)

02-05 [Transportation of Spent Nuclear Fuel and High-Level Radioactive Waste](#)

01-03 [Assessing the Risks of Terrorism and Sabotage Against High-Level Nuclear Waste Shipments to a Geologic Repository or Interim Storage Facility](#)

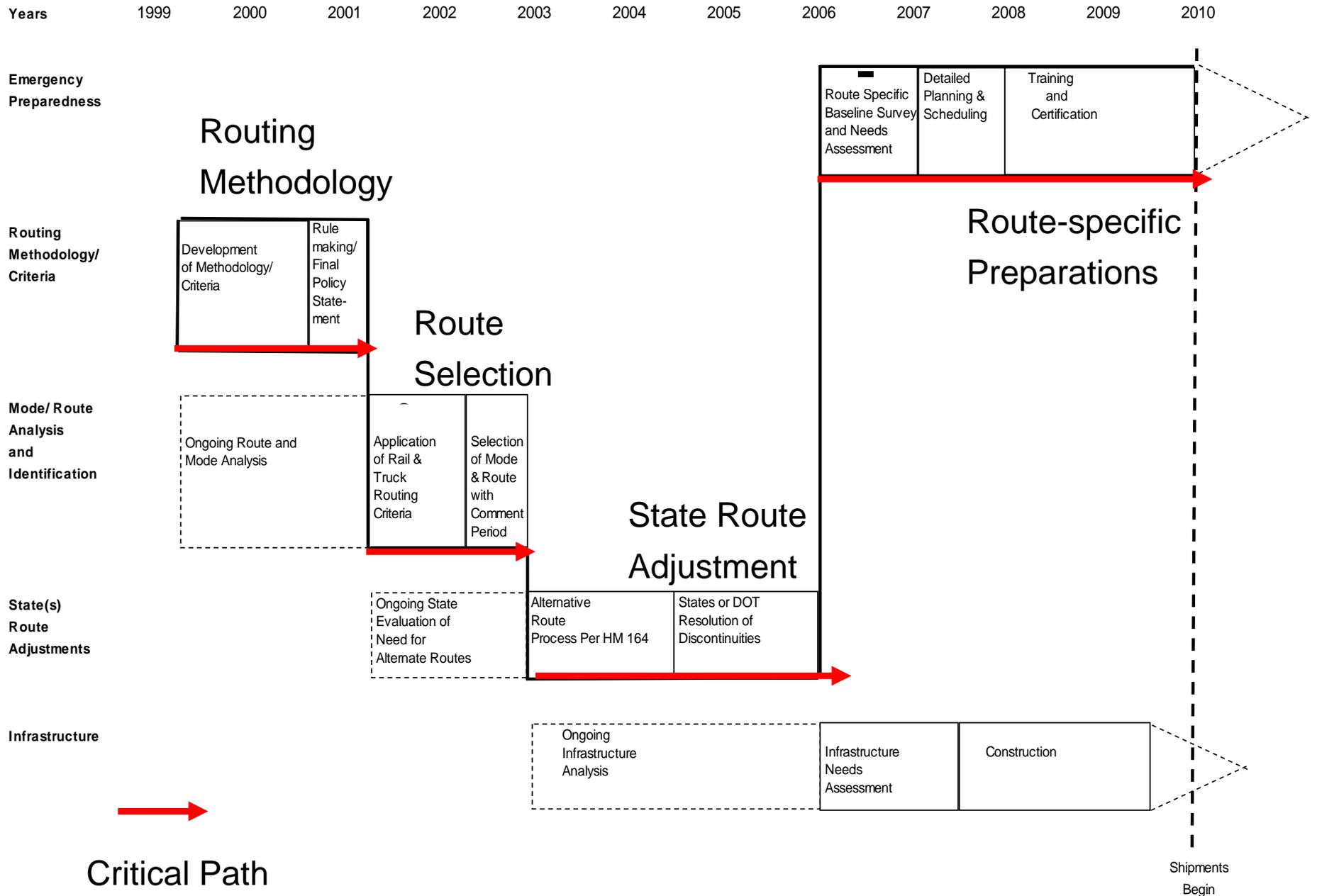


WIEB: New kid on block (but with a long history)

- WIEB cooperative agreements with OCRWM from 1984-1999
- New cooperative agreement signed in Sept. 2003
- First meeting in five years held in January 2004
 - Reviewed Committee's Strategic Plan from early 1990s
 - Reviewed uncertainties in the NWPA transportation program (nearly same as 10 years ago)
 - Agreed to shape work priorities around Strategic Plan, but improve ability to account for program uncertainties



Repository Scenario



Program Uncertainties Continue to Hamper State Preparations

- No fixed schedule for shipping sites
 - Uncertainty from utilities trading pick up rights at last minute
- No routing methodology; too many highway routes possible under HM 164
- April 8th ROD leaves modal mix murky
 - Rail preferred mode
 - But every mode still on the table (barge, rail, truck, intermodal)
- No 180(c) policy
- Inadequate terrorism analysis



Unique Priority for WIEB

- WIEB shares many of the work priorities of the other regions
- In addition, WIEB wants to better understand the implications of program uncertainties
 - Interested in working with RW on tools to evaluate uncertainties
 - Build uncertainties into Committee's Strategic Plan

