



Sask Producer Coalition: Principles and Recommendations

Panel Discussion

Principles for Change

- ▶ The system needs to foster competition in all aspects of the grain transportation and handling system.
- ▶ Market transparency is critical to efficient system performance.
- ▶ The grain transportation system must be forward looking and positioned for growth.
- ▶ Primary grain producers need their interests represented in the design and ongoing operations of the grain transportation system.

Recommendations

- ▶ Completion of formal **costing review** and adjustment of the maximum revenue entitlement
- ▶ Maintenance of the **Maximum Grain Revenue Entitlement**
- ▶ **Mandatory information reporting** for the grain handling and transportation system to function effectively.

Recommendations

- ▶ **A rail oversight group** that includes agricultural producer representation, to assess ongoing operations of the railways.
- ▶ **A responsive and meaningful dispute resolution mechanism** that can resolve rate and service issues quickly and efficiently.
- ▶ Establish provisions to enhance the use of **running right provisions** in Section 138 of the CTA.

Principles & Recommendations

- ▶ Changes to the CTA need to support **small shipper innovation, diversification and investment**
- ▶ Ensure the unique requirements of **producer car shippers and shortline railways** in the transportation system are recognized and accommodated
- ▶ CTA empowered to investigate and rule on a railway's genuine 'operational interest' in **underserviced and unused rail lines**

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- ▶ Questions from the floor