



Sierra Club Maine
2017 Legislative Priorities
Passenger Train Expansion Strategic Plan

* **The 127th Legislative Session Resolve; “...ALLOCATION OF \$500,000 TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO STUDY AND PLAN FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PASSENGER RAIL SERVICE BETWEEN THE CITIES OF LEWISTON AND AUBURN.”**

- **MAINE’S PASSENGER RAIL AUTHORITY; NNEPRA, AND THE MEDOT HAVE ISSUED REQUESTS TO DO THE “L/A SDP” PLAN.**

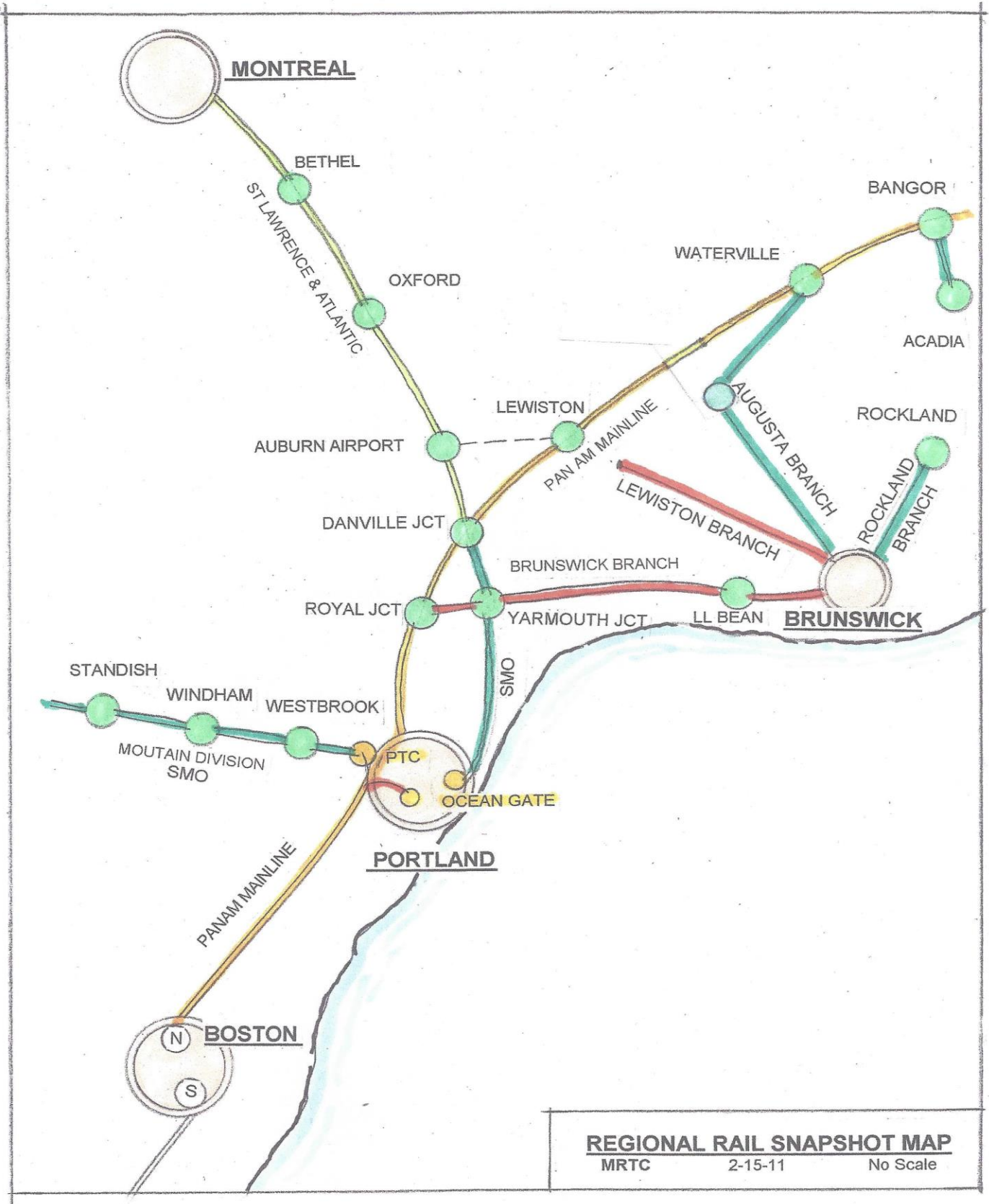
The 1st stage of Passenger Trains to Montreal.

Actions:

(LD 316) A \$50 Million Bond Bill for a statewide referendum in November 2018. *State Match for Rail Infrastructure Federal Funding.*

Five (5) supporting Bills specific to funding expansion and improving railroad infrastructure to move Passengers Maine’s Agricultural products to Markets.

- ✓ **LD 315 - Identifies Federal Funding for State Match Funds.**
Sponsor: Senator Nate Libby.
- ✓ **LD 500 – To Attract Private Investment to Train Corridor Towns.**
Sponsor: Transportation Committee Senator David Miramant
- ✓ **LD 116 – Increased Funding for Rail Multi-Modal Account.**
Sponsor: Representative Jared Golden
- ✓ **LD TBD – New Tax Revenue from Marijuana to Fund Transportation**
Sponsor: Representative Racheal Talbot-Ross
- ✓ **LD 724 - Public involvement in transportation planning for Rail.**
Sponsor: Senator Nate Libby



REGIONAL RAIL SNAPSHOT MAP
MRTC 2-15-11 No Scale