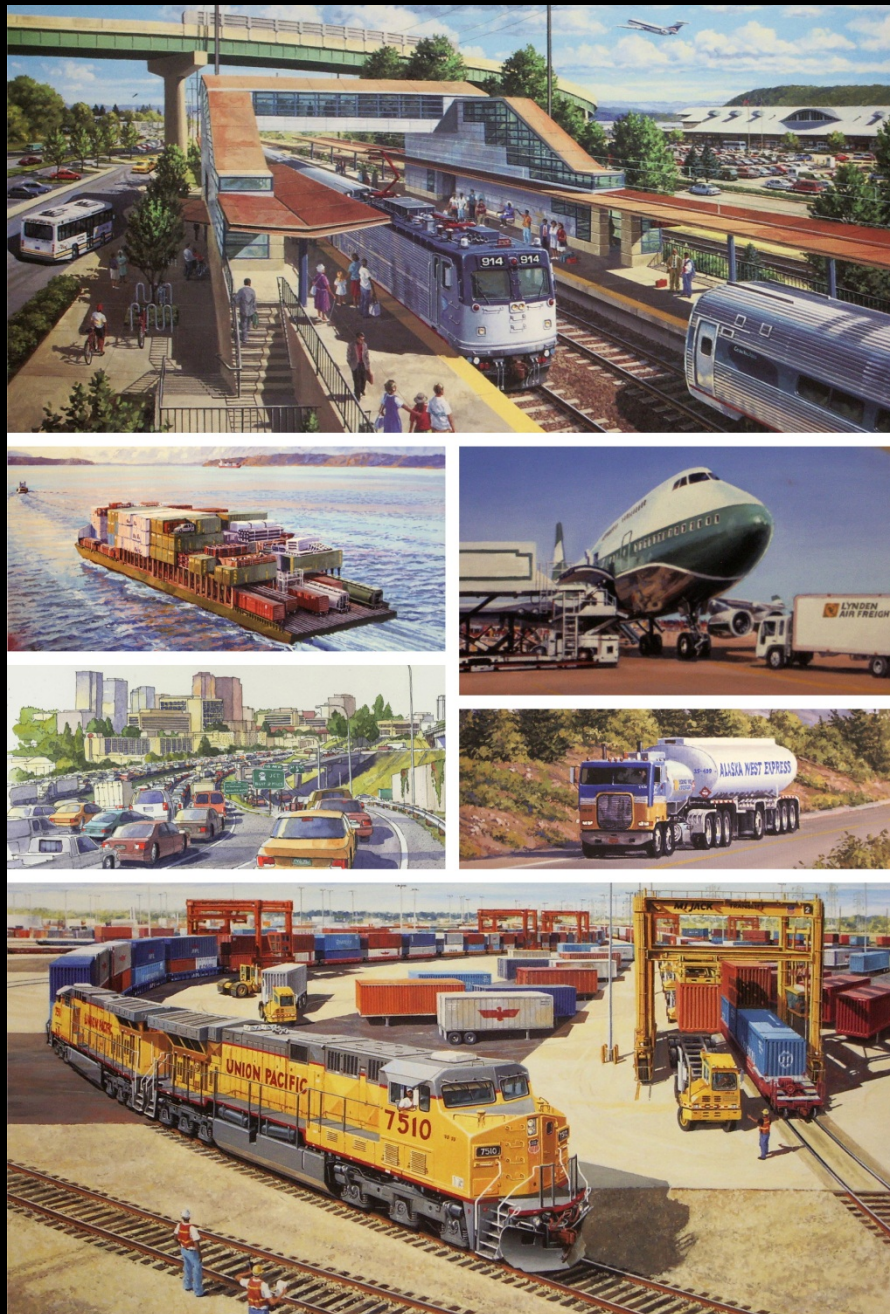


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A Multimodal Systems Approach



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Preface to the Second Edition, 6th Printing

This is the sixth version of Edition 2. The first edition of *Fundamentals of Transportation Engineering* (FTE1) was published in 2004. Since 2004, new editions of several well-known manuals and other references have been published. Furthermore, much of the data that appeared in FTE1 has become outdated. For these reasons, the second edition of FTE was published in June 2014 and distributed by academicpub.com, followed by several subsequent versions (printings).

In the 6th Printing, the font size and line spacing of the text has been changes to make electronic versions of the book easier to read. Changes in content have been made to update data and topics, and to respond to suggestions by users of the book. See <https://engineering.purdue.edu/~ce361/JFRICKER/FTE/> for details.

As with the previous versions, *Fundamentals of Transportation Engineering* continues to:

- (1) Cover topics beyond the highway mode. Chapters 10-12 cover the transit, air, and freight modes. Chapter 13 on Sustainable Transportation includes non-motorized transportation and new technologies.
- (2) Allow use of reading assignments to replace a traditional “lecture”. This increases class time for taking student questions about the reading, working problems, and facilitating discussions.

(3) Begin each chapter with a realistic scenario, build toward analyzing and solving related example problems, and invite students to ponder the “Think About It” boxes.

We continue to think about the future of the textbook. Should we continue the current online distribution, with its softcover, spiral bound, and eBook options? Should we return to a hardbound format? What topics should be added? Which topics could be deleted? We invite comments and suggestions from those who are using the book.

Thank you to those of you who have adopted the book. Please continue to tell us how the book has met your needs and how it could be improved.

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