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On Nov. 10, the Indiana Rail Road Co. (INRD) marked its 2 millionth carload since the railroad was formed in 1986. INRD estimates the 2 million carloads are equivalent to diverting more than 8 million truckloads from highways.



Tom Hoback

In a podcast posted late last month on *ProgressiveRailroading.com*, INRD President and Chief Executive Officer Tom Hoback reviews the events that led to the milestone. He also tells Managing Editor Jeff Stagl what it will take for the 500-mile regional to reach the 3 million mark and identifies INRD's primary goals for 2012.

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