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This bibliography covers the research literature in grain transportation and related topics in transportation deregulation that has been published since the passage of the Staggers Rail Act of 1980 and the Motor Carrier Act of 1980. The bibliography covers the time period from 1981 through 1986.

Transportation became a major research issue for agricultural economists during the decade of the 1970's. Shippers and carriers handled greatly increased grain exports. These increased exports placed pressure on a transportation system hampered by inflexible regulation of the railroads, equipment shortages, and logistics bottlenecks. These topics dominated the agricultural transportation research of the 1970's. In the 1980's, shifts have occurred in grain transportation research as a consequence of the leveling of export demand, deregulation, user fees for ports and waterways, deterioration of the rural road system, and other issues.

The literature search included table of contents reviews of journals which regularly had articles dealing with agricultural transportation issues. The journals reviewed were:

> The American Journal of Agricultural Economics The American Economic Review The Canadian Journal of Agricultural Economics The Journal of the Northeast Agricultural Economics Council Land Economics Logistics and Transportation Review The North Central Journal of Agricultural Economics The Rand Journal The Southern Journal of Agricultural Economics The Transportation Journal Transportation Research Forum

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Bibliographical abstracts were obtained of the articles from these journals covering grain transportation and deregulation in the United States. Articles published in Canada pertaining to issues involving the United States transportation system were also included.

A search of the Agricultural Online Access (AGRICOLA) system was conducted from the University of Minnesota Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics' Waite Library to incorporate departmental staff papers, extension bulletins, book chapters or entire books, and other appropriate publications into the bibliography. AGRICOLA is maintained by the National Agricultural Library, a division of the USDA, and includes the above types of materials as well as the agricultural journals listed above.

The AGRICOLA search used the following keywords: Transport, Rail, Truck, Ship, Barge, Vessel, and Motor. The group of articles including one of these key words in its title were limited to those published in the United States or Canada from 1980 to present. The list of articles included only those from the distribution and marketing section of AGRICOLA. Next, all articles containing key words such as produce, livestock, fertilizer, and other commodity specific nongrain terms in their titles were excluded. This resulted in a 671 entry bibliographical list of articles and papers.

The articles in the 671 item list were evaluated by entry. The items in the listing deemed useful were located and reviewed, resulting in annotated additions to the previous entries from the journal table of

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contents search.

A further source for transportation articles included sources indicated by other research and/or by the agricultural transportation literature.

Potential sources not covered in this bibliography include the Economic Literature Index, The Books in Print database, government publications databases, and Dissertation Abstracts Online database. The Economic Literature Index includes transportation publications not specifically of agricultural products. Books and government documents have only partial coverage in AGRICOLA, therefore additional searches would add to the existing entries from these sources.

Special features of the bibliography include a boldfaced entry of the University or organizational affiliation of the principle author and in some instances of the secondary author, a brief annotation for most entries, and the location and call number of many of the nonjournal articles in the department's Waite Library or in the St Paul Campus Library (SPCL).

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