

CREATION  
OF  
RIO GRANDE  
VALLEY (RGV)  
RAIL GROUP  
2022

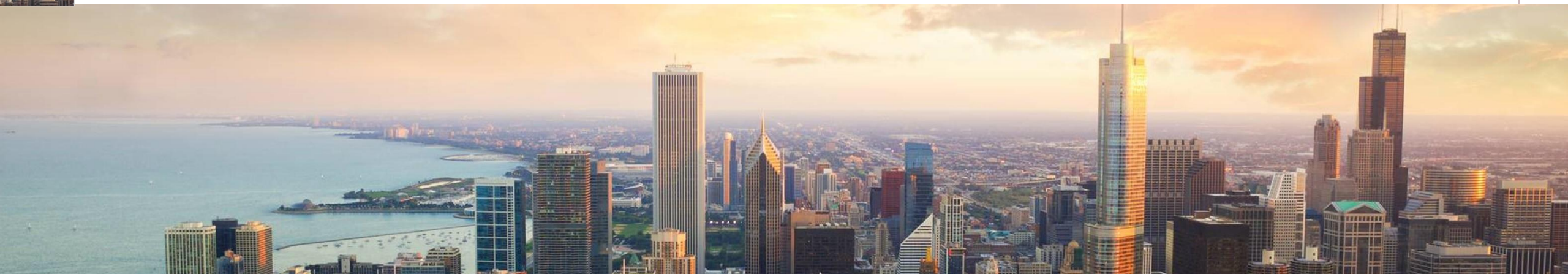


# *WHO ARE WE?*

1. RIO GRANDE VALLEY (RGV)  
RAIL GROUP
2. RIO GRANDE VALLEY (RGV)  
RAIL ADVOCATES



*SCENARIO  
LEADING  
TO THE  
FORMATION  
OF THE  
RGV RAIL GROUP*





## *WE ARE...*

- 2020 The City of Mission moved forward with updating the Presidential Rail, Freight, Passenger, Vehicle and Pedestrian Bridge Permit. It was accomplished for life of the permit.
- 2022 Dr. Armando Ocana having vision, passion and desire to continue on bringing passenger and freight either traditional or high speed to the Rio Grande Vallery together with Mr. Gustavo Brito both owner of BYG International Parts, LLC acquired a private doing as business as called Rio Grande Valley Rail Group.
- 2023 Dr. Armando Ocana Sr President/CEO, Mr. Gustavo Brito Vice President, Mr. Rene Lopez Jr., Secretary, Mr. Santiago Pena, Member, Mr. Gilbert Salinas, Member and Mr. Criag Elkins , Member organized as a rail group.



## *3-MEETINGS IN STARR COUNTY*

- First meeting we establish relationship, outline wants and needs, requested some kind of studies to conceptualize the need.
- Second meeting we introduced Triangle Railroad Holding Co and grew with more persons attending this meeting
- Third meeting Triangle Railroad Holding Co conduct a gravity model study to determine if we had enough population in this area to serve with a High Speed Rail.
- Results we do and create the Rio Grande Valley Rail Advocates, a non-profit organization that is alive and well.



## *GRAVITY MODEL*

- Study of Population for the Rio Grande Valley
- Results in possible predictive riderships: 10,000,000 in the Rio Grande Valley jointly with the Northern Border of Mexico and 100 mile east of Laredo Texas.
- Laredo Texas great for freight traffic but very weak for passenger rail.
- Rio Grande Valley great for passenger rail and great for freight rail.
- Future international bridge crossing at Mission Texas and Reynosa Mexico
- Excellent for Mission Texas, Rio Grande Valley, Texas and the United States of America



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*CAN TEX MEX*  
*REGIONAL & LONG DISTANCE ON*  
*“HOW TO SUCCEED?”*



He is the person with his report convinced the Queen of England to begin this project and complete it.

*WHO  
IS  
ARDUIN JEAN-PIERRE?*



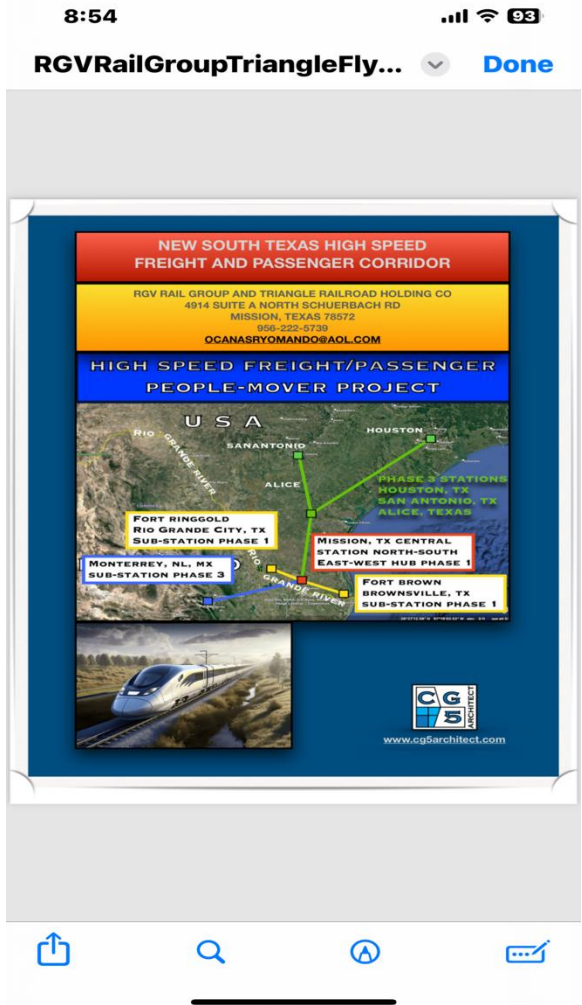


# CURRENT RIDERSHIP POTENTIAL IN TEXAS IN THE HERE AND NOW





# FIRST CORRIDOR CREATED!





# TEXAS DIAMOND RAIL CORRIDOR



## *FINAL TIPS & TAKEAWAYS*

- High Speed Rail Corridor at the Rio Grande Valley is viable to connect with Mexico, Texas and Canada.
- High Speed Rail Services are profitable.
- Connecting the Rio Grande Valley from Roma to Brownsville and looping to South Padre Island is viable.

Attend the Rio Grande Valley Advocates 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual International Rail Conference and Golf Tournament on February 3 -5, 2027 in Mission Texas at the Mission Event Center.

Visit our RGV Rail Advocate website for more details and registration information

# *WHO ARE THE RIO GRANDE VALLEY RAIL ADVOCATES BOARD OF DIRECTORS?*

Paul Bertanzetti  
President

George Blount,  
Vice President

Dennis M. William  
Secretary

Dr. Armando Ocana Sr.,  
Treasurer

*3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL RIO GRANDE VALLEY INTERNATIONAL  
RAIL CONFERENCE FEBRUARY 03 – 05, 2027  
WITH A GOLF TOURNAMENT*





*THANK YOU!*

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