



USDOT & Alaska

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Bipartisan Infrastructure Law - Overview

The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) includes five-year reauthorization (FY22-26) of surface transportation programs and direct advanced appropriations.

- Total transportation funding in this five-year package is \$660 billion.
 - Highways / Bridges: \$365 billion
 - Transit: \$107 billion
 - Rail: \$102 billion
 - Aviation: \$25 billion
 - Traffic Safety: \$8 billion
 - Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety: \$5 billion
 - Maritime: \$2.25 billion
 - Build America Bureau: \$100 billion (\$30 billion in Private Activity Bonds)
 - \$140 billion in funding for USDOT in FY 2022



Bipartisan Infrastructure Law – Alaska Overview

BIL Offers Unprecedented Formula Resources for the Last Frontier.

- Total transportation funding for Alaska includes:
 - Highways / Bridges Formula: \$3.7 billion (25.9% increase)
 - \$82 million for emissions reduction, \$93 million for resilience (new)
 - Transit Formula: \$404 million (44% increase)
 - Aviation Formula: \$392 million (new)
 - Traffic Safety Formula: \$15 million (29% increase)
 - Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Formula : \$9.8 million (57% increase)
 - Electric Vehicle Charger Formula: \$52 million (new)

Alaska will compete for billions more for rail, multimodal freight, safe streets, reconnecting communities, ferries, ports and more.



Secretary Buttigieg's Strategic Priorities

USDOT's Five North Stars Guiding BIL Implementation

- ★ Safety
- ★ Climate
- ★ Equity
- ★ Economic Strength
- ★ Transformation





Question #1



Roads, Bridges, Sidewalks and Potholes...how do I fix them?



Rebuilding Core Assets

- Safety First
 - \$250 million in Highway Safety Grants in December 2021
 - National Roadway Safety Strategy
 - New: Safe Streets for All - \$6 billion in Direct Local Funding – (May 2022)
- Bridge Funding
 - \$27.5 billion – Highest Investment since the 1956
 - Alaska: \$225 million over 5 years (\$45 million annually)
 - New: 15% set aside for locally owned bridges & 100% federal match
 - New: Bridge Investment Grant Program – \$15.8 billion – (May 2022)
- Highway Funding
 - \$57.5 billion announced – Largest in Decades & 20% higher than last year
 - Alaska: \$3.7 billion over 5 years (25.9% more than the previous bill)
 - New: State Consultation with MPOs & RPOs



Rebuilding Core Assets

- RAISE Grants: \$2.275 billion – Accepting Applications until April 14th @ 5:00 PM EDT
 - The CDBG of DOT
 - Emphasis on Climate and Equity
 - NEW: Focus on pre-apprenticeship, apprenticeship, Local Hire and PLAs
 - \$775 Million appropriated by Congress through the Omnibus (Thank you Senators!)
- Local Match
 - Can be waived in RAISE program for disadvantaged and rural areas
- Transportation Alternatives Program -\$1.4 billion

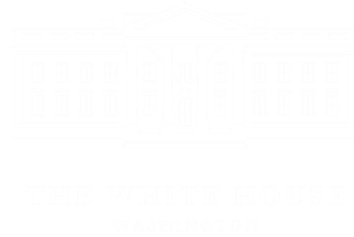


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Question #2



Why Am I in this Traffic?



Congestion Relief

- Transit Funding
 - \$107 billion – Largest Investment in Public Transit Ever
 - Alaska: \$404 million over 5 years (44% increase)
- Capital Investment Grant (CIG) Program
 - \$23 billion – highest funding amount ever; \$2.8 billion included in FY 2022 Omnibus
 - Direct Local Funding Opportunity for light rail, commuter rail, subways and bus rapid transit (BRT)
- Clean Energy Buses
 - Low or No Emission Bus Grant Program - \$5.6 billion Total; \$1.1 billion NOFO released; Applications due on May 31st
 - Bus and Bus Facilities Grant Program - \$2 billion; \$372 million NOFO release; Applications due on May 31st
- New: Railroad Crossing Elimination - \$5.5 billion (June 2022)
- New: SMART Grants - \$1 billion (September 2022)



Alaska Tribal Transit: 2022 \$2.6 Million





Question #3



How do I develop my economy and plan for the future?



Economic Engines – Current Opportunities

- Combined MEGA/INFRA/Rural NOFO: \$1 billion; \$1.55 billion; \$300 million; Applications due May 23rd
 - New: MEGA Projects Program - \$15 billion
 - INFRA - \$14 billion
 - NEW: Rural Surface Transportation Grant Program - \$2 billion for communities under 200k
- New: Airport Terminal Modernization Program - \$5 billion; \$1 billion NOFO; Applications due March 28th
- Port Infrastructure Development Program (PIDP) - \$2.25 billion; \$450 million NOFO; Applications due May 16th
 - Supports In-land Ports + EV Charging Infrastructure
- NEW: EV Charging Formula Grants - \$5 billion (\$1 billion this year)
 - Alaska- \$52 million over next 5 years
 - State Plans due by August 1st
 - Awards expected in September/October 2022
- NEW: EV Charging Station Competitive Grants - \$2.5 billion (2nd Quarter)
- NEW: Expanded loan programs to support TOD, Airports and Ports



Economic Engines – Looking Ahead

- Rail: \$102 billion – most funding for passenger rail since the beginning of Amtrak
 - \$36 billion Federal-State Intercity Rail Partnership Grants
 - \$10 billion for CRISI (August 2022)
 - \$22 billion for Amtrak
- NEW: Reconnecting Communities Pilot Program - \$1 billion
- NEW: All Stations Accessibility Program (ASAP) - \$1.75 billion (July 2022)
- University Transportation Centers relaunch (May 2022)
- Railcar Replacement Program Competitive Grants
- NEW: Natural Gas Distribution Safety and Modernization Program (May 2022)
- Nationally Significant Federal Lands and Tribal Project Program (May 2022)
- NEW: National Culvert Removal, Replacement, and Restoration Grant Program (Summer 2022)
- FTA Ferry Programs: Electric or Low-Emitting Ferry Program, Ferry Service of Rural Communities Program, and Passenger Ferry Boat Program (June 2022)



Lutak Dock Replacement: 2021 \$20 Million





BIL Intergovernmental Resources

- Grant tracking: <https://www.grants.gov/>
- White House Guidebook: https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/BUILDING-A-BETTER-AMERICA_FINAL.pdf
- USDOT BIL Website: <https://www.transportation.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law>
- State and Local BIL 101 Webinars: https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLEoJbKkgQnJ2_Cqh_CwQS4PFmkmUwy2if
- State by State Fact Sheets: <https://www.transportation.gov/briefing-room/usdot-releases-state-state-fact-sheets-highlighting-benefits-bipartisan>
- Monthly Office Hours and Bi-Weekly Check-Ins for Local Govs: Intergov@dot.gov
- Rural Opportunities: <https://www.transportation.gov/rural>



Q&A

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