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VIRGINIA SPACE

Bipartisan Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA)

- On November 6, 2021, Congress passed IIJA, a five-year reauthorization of the FAST Act coupled with broader infrastructure investments beyond traditional surface transportation programs.
- Goals
 - To maximize formula increases despite inflation and supply chain issues
 - To successfully pursue discretionary opportunities throughout the Commonwealth
 - The Youngkin Administration is committed to supporting applications for federal funding, viewing this historic level of federal funds as an opportunity to leverage Commonwealth resources
 - Our support includes technical assistance to localities or agencies in drafting competitive applications and providing letters of support for IIJA project applications
- Mission
 - To get "more than our fair share" of IIJA funds and ensure that the Commonwealth's infrastructure is <u>best in class</u>

What IIJA Means for Virginia

Overall IIJA Funding Highlights

- \$1.2 trillion in total spending
 - \$550 billion in new spending (above baseline)
 - \$470 billion (from approximately 170 funding streams) in new formula funds
 - \$180 billion (from approximately 110 funding streams) in new competitive grant opportunities
- Over the life of the bill from FY2022 to FY2026, Virginia will receive approximately <u>\$10.5</u> billion
 - With funding from the Departments of Homeland Security, Commerce, Energy, Interior, Agriculture, Health and Human Services and Transportation, the Environment Protection Agency, and Federal Communications Commission

Total formula funds from USDOT to Virginia

- FAA (\$385 million); FMSCA (\$54 million); FTA (\$1.2 billion); and FHWA (\$7.8 billion)

IIJA – Summary of <u>Additional</u> Statewide Federal Funding

New Programs and Increased flexible federal funding for formula allocation	IIJA Implementation Period						
(in millions)	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
Discretionary Distribution by CTB							
Bridge Rehabilitation and Replacement	\$107.4	\$123.8	\$115.6	\$115.6	\$115.6	\$ -	\$ -
Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-saving Transportation (PROTECT) grant program	45.3	36.9	37.7	38.4	39.2	40.0	40.8
Carbon Reduction Program (Statewide/MPO)	38.4	32.5	33.1	33.8	34.5	35.2	35.9
Electric Vehicles	21.3	15.7	21.3	21.3	21.3	-	-
Construction Formula Distribution							
Increased funding available to allocate via Construction Formula – Includes released federal funding not needed for GARVEE Debt Service Based on June 2021 SYFP Assumptions to IIJA Assumptions	173.0	198.6	207.9	223.2	242.6	262.9	N/A

IIJA Initial Direct Impact to Interstate 81

- Bridge Rehabilitation and Replacement Projects
 - Salem District, Botetourt County
 - I-81 over Route 640 \$7.4 million
 - I-81 over Route 670 \$6.2 million
- Increased funding available to allocate via Construction Formula
 - 20% of additional funding is available to Interstate Operations and Enhancement Program (IOEP)
 - Of this share for IOEP, 43.7% is provided to Interstate 81 Corridor Improvement Program (Share based on ratio of Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) on I-81 for trucks to total truck VMT on all Interstate highways)
 - Over FY 2022 2028 period, approximately \$114 million more funding available for the Corridor
- These additional funds allow projects to advance sooner

Other New Federal Program Areas

• Work is underway in three new program areas

- Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-saving Transportation (PROTECT) grant program
- Carbon Reduction Program (Statewide/MPO)
- Electric Vehicles
- Competitive Grant Opportunities during IIJA authorization period
 - RAISE
 - PROTECT Grants
 - INFRA
 - Bridge Investment Program
 - MEGA
 - Rural Surface Transportation Grant Program

Transforming Rail in Virginia – Western Rail Initiative

- Unlocking Long Bridge bottleneck for future passenger service growth
- Second Amtrak daily round trip to Roanoke (July 11, 2022)
- Extension of two daily Amtrak roundtrips to New River Valley (NRV) by 2026
- Purchase of Virginia Line from Norfolk Southern for passenger service to NRV

Opportunities for BIL funds in the I-81 Rail Corridor

- All federal rail funds are discretionary which will help build the capacity necessary for existing service reliability and future service
- Long Bridge
 - Applied for \$300M in Mega and INFRA funds May 2022
 - Applying for Core Capacity FTA funds with Virginia Railway Express
 - Funding Strategy Meetings with FRA/USDOT: Fed-State Partnership, CRISI, Mega, etc.
- Norfolk Southern Capacity Improvements are funded with VPRA Commonwealth Rail Funds
- NRV Station and Infrastructure Improvements
 - Fed-State Partnership, CRISI
- Bedford Station Planning (DRPT)
 - CRISI

Bristol Rail Corridor Development

- Corridor Identification and Development Program or Corridor ID Program facilitates the development of intercity passenger rail corridors
- Framework that will help guide future federal project development work and capital investments
- Awaiting notice from FRA soliciting proposals
- DRPT is working with Tennessee DOT to submit a joint proposal for continued planning in the corridor from the New River Valley <u>through</u> Bristol



Opportunities to Support Transit Connections

• FY21 Bus and Bus Facilities

- DRPT assisted Central Shenandoah PDC with an application for their transfer facility in the City of Staunton
- Project was awarded nearly \$1M in discretionary funding in early 2022
- FY22 Bus and Bus Facilities / Low-No Emissions Grants were due to FTA on May 31st
 - DRPT applied on behalf of Harrisonburg and supported an application from Blacksburg Transit for funding
- DRPT is already working with transit systems in the I-81 Corridor to prepare applications for FY23 discretionary funding
 - WinTran facility improvements