



Surface Transportation Authorization Bill

Executive Management Committee
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Introduction

Working together, the 119th Congress, the U.S. Department of Transportation, and infrastructure agencies like LA Metro have an opportunity to stimulate America's economy by adopting a bold and creative surface transportation authorization bill to replace the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) (P.L. 117-58).

Such a bill can help rebuild America, while smartly and efficiently creating millions of good paying construction, manufacturing and service jobs.

These investments will super-charge our national economy by increasing the ability of people and goods to move safely, quickly, and efficiently into and through their hometowns, their state and across America.



BUILD INITIATIVE





Capital Investment Grants (CIG) Program and Expedited Project Delivery (EPD) Pilot Program

- **Federal Share Increase** CIG funding share from 25% to 35% for EPD projects.
- **Federal Share Change** timing for "locking in" federal share of project cost to actual approval by FTA, after risk analysis. Ensures the federal share is set after assessing potential cost impacts.
- **Project Oversight** Reduce oversight for experienced grantees with successful project history.
- **Small Starts**
- **Local Match**
- **Allow NEPA compliance expenditures to count towards local match.**



Olympic and Paralympic Games

- MEGA Program Eligibility
- MEGA Program Prioritization
- Transportation Assistance for Olympic Cities

Local Hire



- **Maintain Existing Federal Authorization for Local, Geographic, and Economic Hiring Preferences**



Transit Worker Safety

- Expand Federal Transit Worker Safety Provisions



- **Revise Federal Share for Local Technical Assistance Programs**
- **Funding Eligibility**
- **Report**



- **Provide dedicated funding to support domestic rolling stock testing and manufacturing**
- **Increase federal share for procurement of domestically manufactured rolling stock**
- **Allow development of rolling stock testing and manufacturing facilities to be an eligible expense under existing transportation programs**



TIFIA Reforms

- **Aligning Underwriting with Market Practices**
- **Streamline Process**
- **Align with Categorical Exclusions**
- **Subsidize Underwriting Fees**

Federal – State Partnership Program



- **Expand Eligibility to Commuter Rail**



Thank You.