Stand Up for Transportation Day Capitol Hill Briefing

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Communities Tell Their Stories, Find Yours
Economic Impact by Region

A $227 Billion Impact

54 Days 07:06:09 until expiration

Public transit and highway grants funded from the Highway Trust Fund cannot be made without an authorization bill. Congress must pass a robust, long-term surface transportation funding bill before the May 31, 2015 deadline.

- Failure to act could have a $227 billion economic impact over the next six years and reduce the reliability of our buses and trains.
- Public transportation supports the U.S. economy - nearly 60% of public transit trips are work trips.

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Public Transit’s Economic Impact (in billions)

- $63.9
- $22.9
- $31.2
- $73
- $36.8
Projects Are At Risks Across the Nation
Strong, Broad, Inclusive Supply Chain
Transit Ridership Has Grown Faster Than Population

US Population
Transit Ridership

Ridership Growth v Population Growth
Rural Communities Ride Public Transportation

In addition to jobs created from manufacturing trains and buses for other regions, public transit service provides essential mobility for residents of rural areas of the U.S.

- The loss of the federal transit program would mean a $13.8 billion hit to rural economies over the next six years.

What can I do?
Higher Federal Shares to Non-Urban States

Percent of Revenues from Federal Sources

Source: 2019-2013 National Transit Database Capital & Operating Funding
* Agencies operating in more than one state counted in headquarters state only
Potential Long-term Economic Impact per Billion Dollars of Enhanced National Investment in Public Transportation

Productivity Effect

Traditional Spending Effect

Traditional Method

Enhanced Approach

21,800 Jobs

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28,931 Jobs

50,731 Jobs

Household Savings
Improved Employer Labor Access
Reduced Congestion Costs
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