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AMERICANS FOR TRANSPORTATION MOBILITY



## Transportation Infrastructure: *Looking Forward in 2020*

The **Americans for Transportation Mobility Coalition** is a collaborative effort of business, labor, and transportation **stakeholders advocating for improved and increased federal investment** in the nation's aging and overburdened transportation system.



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- America once had the leading transportation network in the world. However, a lack of reinvestment in U.S. infrastructure is making it difficult to maintain and modernize our aging transportation system.
- President Trump and Congressional leaders have promised increased infrastructure investment. Every antiquated bridge, road in poor condition, gap in public transit, interstate problem and bad connector amounts to a hidden tax on Americans. The time for action is now.
- To keep America moving, state and local government and private-sector involvement are required, but this does not replace the need for federal funding and efficient programs. Our transportation network was created as a nationally linked system and continues to evolve.
- To ensure the economic growth, quality of life and safety they deserve, businesses and the public rely on a well-functioning and multimodal transportation framework.
- Because the federal fuel tax has not been raised in a quarter of a century, the purchasing power of the Highway Trust Fund (HTF) continues to decline. Increasing the gas tax is deemed one of the most equitable and prudent policy options Congress can pursue to devise sustainable transportation funding.
- Accountability, best practices, workforce development and project streamlining are needed to ensure that our national transportation system effectively moves goods and people and connects all of America's communities.
- Business and labor, in partnership with other stakeholder groups and the public, recognize there is an extraordinary opportunity to enact major reforms that can help transform the American economy—from low growth to high growth—by making transportation infrastructure a priority.
- America and our leaders have a chance to make a significant and historic investment to modernize and build 21st-century infrastructure and a world-class transportation network.