

What the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act Delivers for California

Repairing and rebuilding our roads and bridges with a focus on climate change mitigation, resilience, equity, and safety for all users.

- California would receive \$25.3 billion for federal-aid highway apportioned programs and \$4.2 billion for bridge replacement and repairs over five years.
- California will receive \$631 million to reinforce, upgrade, or realign existing transportation infrastructure to better withstand extreme weather and natural disasters, such as wildfires.

Improving healthy, sustainable public transportation options for millions of Americans.

- Delivers approximately \$9.5 billion to California to repair and upgrade aging public transit systems, modernize bus and rail fleets, make stations more accessible, and deliver new and more frequent transit service.
 - This includes an increase in funding for the Capital Investment Grants program, which supports projects like LA Metro's Purple Line extension, Caltrain's electrification project, BART's Transbay Corridor Core Capacity Project, and San Diego's Mid-Coast Corridor Transit Project.
- Provides \$2.5 billion nationwide specifically for zero-emission school buses and makes them eligible for a further \$2.5 billion in grants and reimbursements, an important down payment towards fulfilling the goals of Senator Padilla's *Clean Commute for Kids Act*.

Securing and diversifying California's water supply and infrastructure.

- Provides over \$8 billion for western water infrastructure, including funding for California to repair aging infrastructure, restore imperiled ecosystems, and improve water efficiency.
- Helps fund projects to improve water supply across the state, including the large-scale regional water recycling project that the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California is pursuing.
- Includes Senator Padilla's provision to make stormwater reuse and groundwater recharge projects eligible for new federal funding.

Making drinking water safer for all Americans.

- Invests in upgrading critical drinking water and wastewater infrastructure nationwide, including \$1.8 billion for California's Drinking Water and Clean Water State Revolving Loan Funds.
- Allocates \$10 billion nationwide to clean up "forever chemicals" including per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS), which has contaminated the drinking water for nearly 20% of California residents.
- Provides \$15 billion nationwide for the removal of lead service lines, an important down payment towards fulfilling the goals of Senator Padilla's <u>Lead-Free Drinking Water for All Act</u>.



Developing more resilient power infrastructure to prevent blackouts and withstand extreme weather and disasters.

- Includes Senator Padilla's <u>POWER On Act</u> and invests \$5 billion in grants across the U.S. to harden the grid in order to prevent shutoffs and better withstand extreme weather events and natural disasters, like wildfires.
- Delivers \$2.5 billion nationwide to expand electric power transmission lines which is necessary for the widespread implementation of renewable energy across the country.
- Invests \$3 billion nationwide for Smart Grid grants to upgrade our electrical grid to conserve energy, better manage our consumption, and provide more tools to respond in real time to needs and challenges.

Building greener infrastructure and protecting California's diverse eco-systems.

- Delivers \$2.6 billion for reducing traffic congestion and improving air quality in California.
- Supports the expansion of an electric vehicle charging network across California with \$384 million over five years.
- Provides \$162 million for Klamath Basin habitat restoration projects that protect young salmon, improve water quality, and support tribal and non-tribal fishermen.
- Provides \$24 million to improve water quality, aquatic life, and ecosystem processes in the San Francisco Bay/Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.
- Invests \$17 million to combat aquatic invasive species, promote forest health, and improve water quality in the Lake Tahoe watershed.

Preventing wildfires, managing vegetation, and rehabilitating burned areas.

- Provides \$692 million nationally to carry out hazardous fuels reduction projects across the United States, removing vegetation to make wildfires less severe and more easily contained.
- Includes \$450 million nationally to carry out <u>Burned Area Rehabilitation</u> programs that repair landscapes and small infrastructure damaged by wildfires, building resilience against future fires.
 - This program detected a noxious weed infestation on 128 acres burned in the Chimney Fire on California's Central Coast.

Helping connect every American to reliable high-speed internet.

- California will receive at least \$100 million to help provide broadband coverage across the state, including providing access to the at least 545,000 Californians who currently lack it.
- 10,637,000 or 27% of Californians will be eligible for the Affordability Connectivity Benefit, which will help low-income families afford internet access.