FY 2018 Omnibus Appropriations Bill: Impact on Asphalt Pavement Market

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## National Asphalt Pavement Association

- Represent asphalt mix producers and paving contractors at national level.
  - 1,100 members
- 22 members of staff
  - Highly qualified team
- Guided by Strategic Plan
  - Advocate for highway and airport investment
  - Protect and gain market share
  - Advance innovation and quality
  - Promote the use of asphalt pavements
  - Serve the industry
- Partners
  - SAPAs, NCAT, Chamber, Labor, Agencies, International

## Progress Report

- Secured Hours of Service Relief
- Crystalline Silica Agreement
- <a href="PSA">PSA</a> on Work Zone Safety (watchfor.us)
- NAPA Care Program Endowed
- Work Zone Safety Asphalt Paving Module
- FHWA Cooperative Agreement
  - Annual RAP, RAS, WMA Survey
- PaveXpress
- Emerald Eco-Label



#### Outline

- Background
- The "Agreement"
- FY 2018 Omnibus Appropriations Bill
- INFRA Grants
- FY 2019 and Beyond
- Questions



## Background

- FAST Act <u>authorizes spending</u> for highway programs over multiple years (2015–2020)
- The Transportation—HUD Appropriation bill <u>establishes annual spending limitation</u> for programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund
  - States receive notice from FHWA detailing how much funding they will have available to enter into new contracts for highway projects
  - Transportation agencies then bid work and enter into contracts knowing FHWA will reimburse the states
- Congress struggled to approve the FY18 appropriation bills in the absence of a budget deal setting overall spending levels for domestic and defense programs



## The "Agreement"

- Mammoth two-year (2018–2019) budget deal agreed February 8, 2018
  - \$164B increase for defense
  - \$89B for TX, LA, FL, PR and VI hurricane relief and wildfires
  - \$131B increase in non-defense programs
    - \$20B added to infrastructure
      - "programs related to rural water and wastewater, drinking water, rural broadband, energy, innovative capital projects, and surface transportation."
- Appropriations committees tasked to ensure that the spending priorities are funded in the <u>FY18 omnibus</u> and the <u>FY19 appropriations bills are</u> at levels <u>exceeding</u> those provided in FY17
  - Specific spending decisions left to the members of the appropriations committees
  - The FY18 Omnibus Appropriations bill will determine how much for highways

## FY18 Omnibus Appropriations

Signed into Public Law March 23, 2018





Funds all government programs through September 30, 2018

## **Highway Funding**

Highway Funding Under Omnibus In billions of dollars

<u>2017</u> <u>2018</u>

Federal-Aid Highways \$43.3 \$44.23

Emergency Relief \$0.739 \$0.739

General Fund Bonus \$2.53

Total \$44.04 \$47.50



#### **Bonus Allocations**

#### **General Fund Bonus Allocations**

**Surface Trans Block Grants** 

Puerto Rico Highways

Other Territories

Federal Lands/Tribal

New Bridge Program

**TOTAL** 

2018

\$1.98 <u>b</u>illion

\$15.8 million

\$4.2 million

\$300 million

\$225 million

\$2,525,000,000





## FY18 Omnibus Appropriations

- \$1.98 billion to Surface Transportation Block Grant Program
  - Funds are allocated to State DOTs
    - 53% sub-allocated to metro areas
  - Must be spent on construction of highways, bridges and tunnels
- Calculate your state's bonus
  - Go to latest interim obligation limitation distribution (<u>Click Here</u>)
    - https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/legsregs/directives/notices/n4520252/n4520252.pdf
  - Divide your state's dollar amount by \$17,074,623,456
  - Multiply the resulting percentage by \$1,980,000,000

## Alabama Example

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

OBLIGATION LIMITATION DISTRIBUTION FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING ON OCTOBER 1, 2017, AND ENDING ON MARCH 23, 2018, UNDER THE CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2018, AS AMENDED

	Formula	
580.0 St. 10	Obligation	
STATE	Limitation <sup>1</sup>	
ALABAMA	333.028.584	
ALASKA	210,309,610	
ARIZONA	321,503,474	
ARKANSAS	222,215,567	
CALIFORNIA	1.582,676,648	
COLORADO	228,750,458	
CONNECTICUT	216,198,967	
DELAWARE	72,760,605	
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	70,107,202	
FLORIDA	831,658,791	
GEORGIA	564,171,244	
HAWAII	71,141,800	
IDAHO	125,619,920	
ILLINOIS	621,986,429	
INDIANA	409,436,418	
IOWA	215,759,315	
KANSAS	165,912,931	
KENTUCKY	290,310,220	
LOUISIANA	294,251,145	
MAINE	73,786,163	
MARYLAND	264,161,179	
MASSACHUSETTS	265,979,279	
MICHIGAN	462,658,271	
MINNESOTA	280,213,540	
MISSISSIPPI	207,577,397	
MISSOURI	406,372,315	
MONTANA	175,535,481	
NEBRASKA	126,926,205	
NEVADA NEW HAMPSHIRE	158,905,752	
NEW JERSEY	72,593,248	
NEW MEXICO	439,025,548	
NEW YORK	156,769,034 738,158,120	
NORTH CAROLINA	458,094,944	
NORTH CAROLINA NORTH DAKOTA	458,094,944 109,035,771	
OHIO	564,132,667	
OKLAHOMA	272,153,095	
OREGON	214,694,990	
PENNSYLVANIA	718,125,646	
RHODE ISLAND	93,978,146	
SOUTH CAROLINA	293,962,853	
SOUTH DAKOTA	121,153,077	
TENNESSEE	363.025.397	
TEXAS	1,598,980,499	
HATU	148,520,583	
VERMONT	87,258,170	
VIRGINIA	435,256,818	
WASHINGTON	289,921,184	
WEST VIRGINIA	191,890,026	
WISCONSIN	330,418,625	
WYOMING	107,580,105	
SUBTOTAL	17,074,623,456	

High Risk Rural Roads Special Rule

190,710,199

→ \$333,028,584 ÷ \$17,074,623,456 = 0.0195 \$1,980,000,000 x 0.0195 = \$38 million

Alabama will receive about \$38 million in extra Federal Highway Funding above FAST Act Funding levels this year!

Allocated Programs 3,200,152,730 Sections 154 and 164 Penalties

apportionments subject to obligation limitation net of any penalty funds withheld from apportionme and lapsed immediately for a State under section 159 of title 23, U.S.C.



#### State-by-State "Bonus" Highway Funding in 2018 Resulting from FY 2018 Omnibus Appropriations Bill

ALABAMA	\$38,618,514.66	NEBRASKA	\$14,718,560.94
LASKA	\$24,387,830.80	NEVADA	\$18,426,959.15
ARIZONA	\$37,282,044.91	NEW HAMPSHIRE	\$8,418,026.40
ARKANSAS	\$25,768,464.17	<b>NEW JERSEY</b>	\$50,910,088.14
CALIFORNIA	\$183,529,655.64	NEW MEXICO	\$18,179,182.00
COLORADO	\$26,526,260.33	NEW YORK	\$85,597,968.32
CONNECTICUT	\$25,070,769.83	NORTH CAROLINA	\$53,121,405.08
DELAWARE	\$8,437,433.38	NORTH DAKOTA	\$12,643,958.28
DISTRICT	\$8,129,740.62	OHIO	\$65,417,705.03
FLORIDA	\$96,440,452.14	OKLAHOMA	\$31,559,297.90
GEORGIA	\$65,422,178.47	OREGON	\$24,896,366.31
HAWAII	\$8,249,714.22	PENNSYLVANIA	\$83,274,971.35
IDAHO	\$14,567,082.09	RHODE	\$10,897,852.57
ILLINOIS	\$72,124,198.38	SOUTH	\$34,088,391.49
INDIANA	\$47,478,886.41	SOUTH	\$14,049,100.00
IOWA	\$25,019,787.10	TENNESSEE	\$42,096,991.94
KANSAS	\$19,239,522.57	TEXAS	\$185,420,275.66
KENTUCKY	\$33,664,826.46	UTAH	\$17,222,678.74
LOUISIANA	\$34,121,822.28	VERMONT	\$10,118,593.66
MAINE	\$8,556,358.69	VIRGINIA	\$50,473,060.32
MARYLAND	\$30,632,542.84	WASHINGTON	\$33,619,713.24
MASSACHUSETTS	\$30,843,372.55	WEST VIRGINIA	\$22,251,867.07
MICHIGAN	\$53,650,575.60	WISCONSIN	\$38,315,859.74
MINNESOTA	\$32,493,999.68	WYOMING	\$12,475,156.97
MISSISSIPPI	\$24,070,999.11	TOTAL	\$1,980,000,000.00
MISSOURI	\$47,123,568.25		
MONTANA	\$20,355,368.50		

Connecticut will receive about \$25 million in extra Federal Highway Funding above FAST Act Funding levels *this year*!



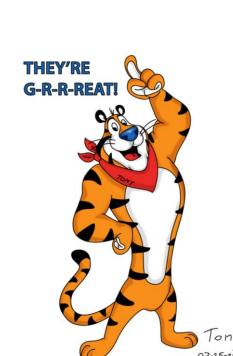
#### **Aviation**

- Airport Improvement Program
  - Funds runway, taxiway and apron projects
  - \$3.35 billion for Airport and Airway Trust Fund (same as FY17)
  - Plus \$1 billion bonus from general fund for discretionary grants
- No provision allowing airports to increase PFCs
- Extends FAA/AIP programs 6 months



#### **TIGER Grants**

- Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) program
  - US DOT discretionary grant program to fund road, transit, maritime and rail projects
  - \$1.5 billion in FY18
    - Up \$1 billion compared to FY17
  - Maintains \$25 million maximum grant size (Max of 59 grants)
  - No state receives more than 10% (\$147.5 million)
  - The TIGER grants will be awarded by the Trump Administration through a competitive process
    - A significant portion of these grants will go to highways, rural areas





## Other Omnibus Appropriations Issues

- ✓ NO market share directives on MEPDG or LCCA
- The Secretary is <u>not</u> directed to evaluate the methods by which states <u>procure culvert and storm sewer materials</u> and the impact of those methods on project costs, including the extent to which such methods take into account environmental principles, and engineering principles.
- The Congress encourages the Secretary to <u>accelerate research</u>, <u>demonstration</u>, and <u>deployment of permeable pavements</u>. Projects may include roadway shoulder load testing and documenting lifecycle cost efficiency.
- ✓ The Congress encourages FHWA to develop revised standards that allow for the maximum use of recycled materials without detrimental impact to life-cycle cost.
- The Congress encourages US DOT to strongly <u>consider</u> <u>applications for the creation of critical commerce corridors</u> when awarding grants to individual states.
- ✓ The Congress directs the FHWA to make recommendations for states, MPOs, and cities to plan for and <u>develop resilient</u> <u>Federal-aid highways.</u>

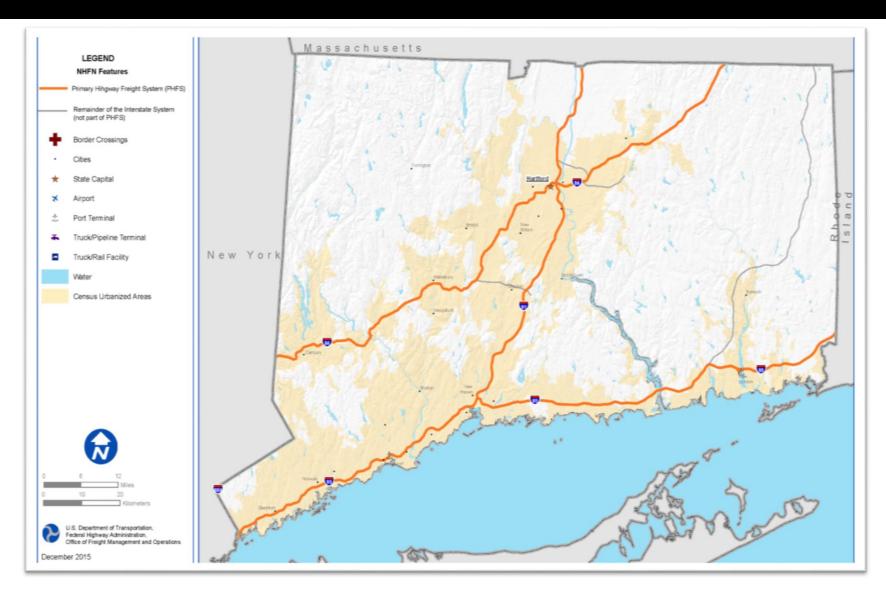


#### **INFRA Grants**

(formally FASTLANE Grants)

- \$900 million/year (avg.) discretional grant program for projects valued over \$100 million
  - Set-asides for projects below cost threshold and rural areas
  - Eligible activities include:
    - Freight projects on National Highway Freight Network
    - NHS highway and bridge projects
    - Freight Intermodal projects
    - Rail-highway grade crossing or grade separation projects

#### National Highway Freight Network: Connecticut



#### INFRA Grant Awards Under Trump

- 10 "small" projects received \$79 million in August 2017
  - 7 of the 10 involved freight rail
  - Average Federal share 34%
  - 80% to rural areas
- US DOT scheduled to award \$1.56 billion in 2017 and 2018 grant money by the beginning of June 2018
  - Grants may be awarded partly on the basis of how much local or regional sponsors provide in funding to maximize leveraging of federal dollars
  - Awards may come too late to impact 2018 construction market

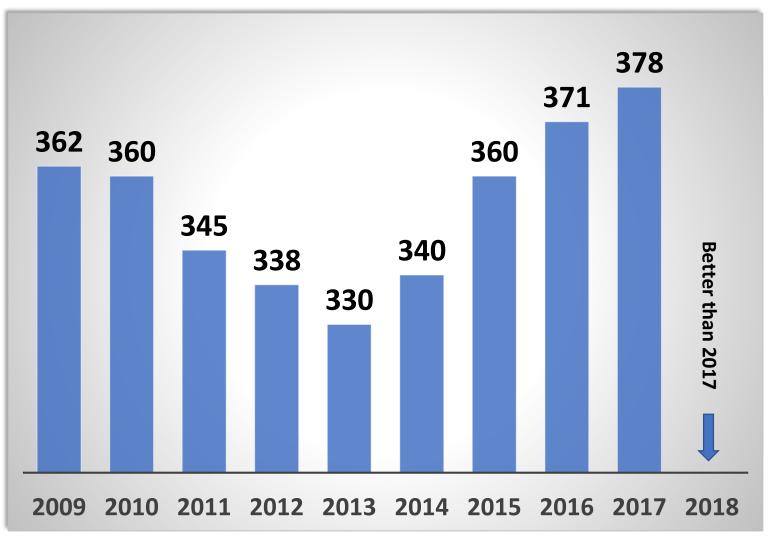


#### Total Federal Investment in Pavement Market

Federal Spending on Asphalt Markets in 2018  In billions of dollars				
	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>		
Federal-Aid Highways	\$43.30	\$44.23		
General Fund Bonus		\$2.53		
Emergency Relief	\$0.739	\$0.739		
TIGER Grants	0.5	1.5		
Airport Improvement Program	3.35	3.35		
General Fund Bonus		1.0		
INFRA Grants		1.56		
TOTAL Spending	\$47.89	\$54.91		

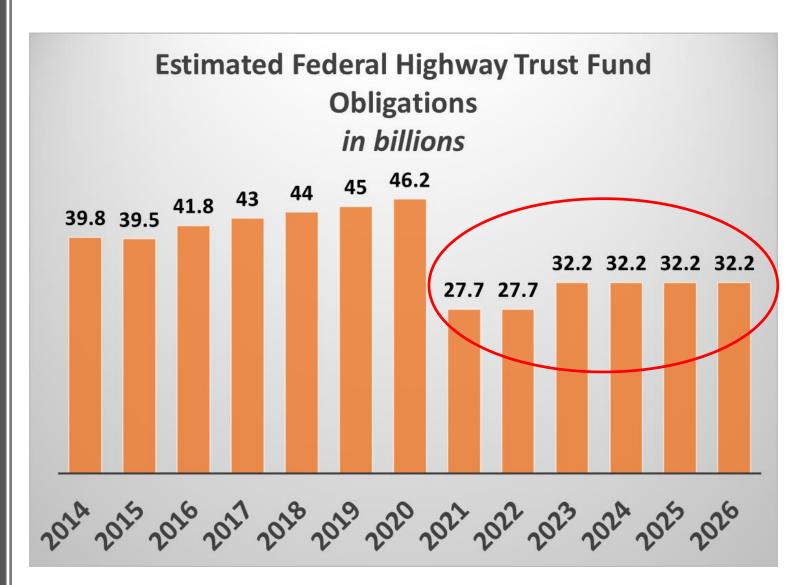
Total Federal Infrastructure spending up \$7B or about 15%.

U.S. Asphalt Pavement Tons Produced Annually



*In million tons* 

## Highway Trust Fund Shortfall in 2021



## Trump Infrastructure Plan

## \$200 billion to leverage \$1 – \$1.8 trillion

- No funding source identified
- Allocation to highways not provided
- Infrastructure grants limited to 20% federal match
- Tolling allowed anywhere

#### NAPA Reaction

- Support President for moving ball forward
- Need Congress to develop a "different" proposal that fixes Highway Trust Fund

## **Changes NAPA Wants**

- Fix the Highway Trust Fund
  - 5 cents per year increase for 5 years plus indexing
- Dedicate funding specifically for highways
  - Water, broadband, hospitals cannot suck up all funding.
- Fund existing FAST Act programs
  - Prioritize NHS, Freight, Interstate Maintenance
  - Allocate funding to the states
- Promote leveraging but be realistic
  - Preserve state-matching requirements



#### What You Can Do

- Work with State/Metro Officials and Highway Agencies
  - Identify and ensure adequate state or local match
  - Work to avoid substitution
  - Encourage applications for TIGER and INFRA grants
- Attend the 2018 Transportation Construction Coalition Fly-In
  - May 15–16, at the Grand Hyatt Hotel in Washington, D.C.
  - Tell Congress to Fix the Highway Trust Fund!





#### Outlook

- FY19 Appropriations will have similar funding levels as 2018
- The new higher funding baselines will push highway funding higher in 2020 and beyond
  - Would Congress reduce highway spending in next reauthorization bill?
- The gap between revenues into the Highway Trust Fund and actual funding levels will grow
  - Puts pressure on Congress to fix the Highway Trust Fund
- Trump infrastructure bill still on the table
- Need to reauthorize FAA programs

# NAPA Upcoming Meetings and Events

- TCC Fly-In: May 15–16, 2018, Washington, DC
- Midyear Meeting: July 8–11, 2018, Boston
- International Conference on Stone Matric Asphalt: Nov 5–7, Atlanta
- IMPACT Leadership Group Conference: Sep 12-14, Washington, DC
- Annual Meeting, January 20–23, 2019, Marco Island, Fla.
- World of Asphalt Show and Conference, February 12–14, Indianapolis





- Questions
- Closing Remarks



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