

Pennsylvania Asphalt Pavement Association Pennsylvania Rides on US.



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## PENNDOT BY THE NUMBERS



















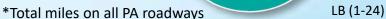






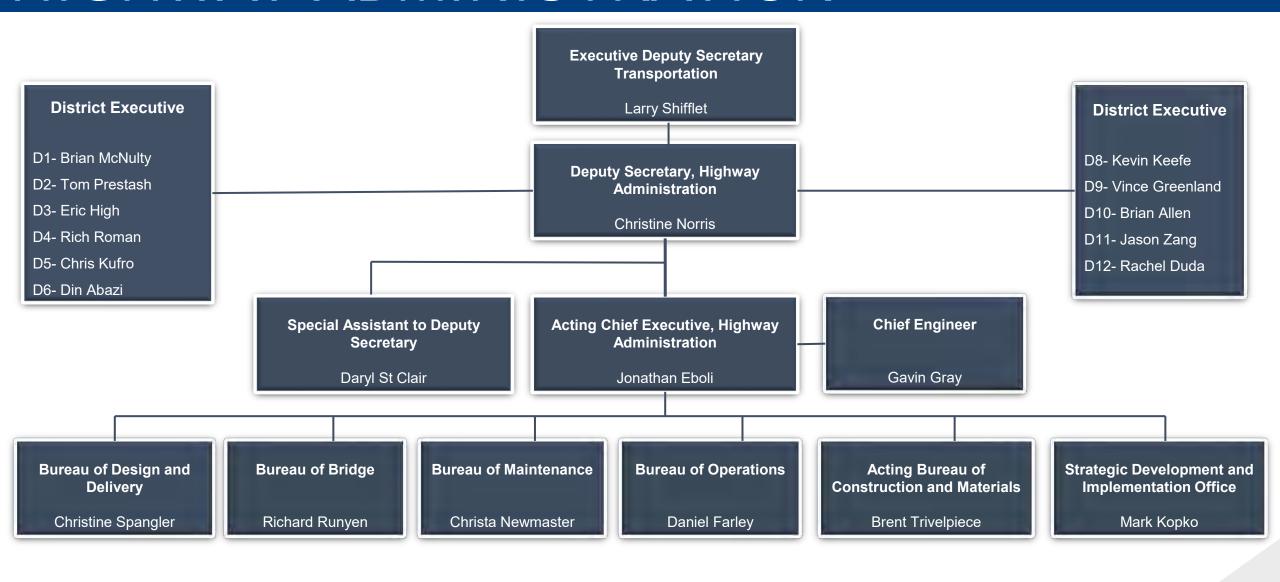








### HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION





# FOCUS AREAS

- Safety
- Relationships
- ✓ Program Delivery
- Program Outlook





## SAFETY THROUGH PARTNERSHIPS

- WORKFORCE



- WORK ZONES



- FAMILIES



- PUBLIC





### SAFETY THROUGH PARTNERSHIPS













### Improving Safety in the Transportation and Construction Industry

- Addressing common hazards
- Improving safe work conditions for all
- Informed and educated workforce
- Using different media such as video to disseminate information

Cold & Heat Stress

Vehicle Overhead Clearance Hazards

Prepping for construction seasonal activities

Employee Work Zone Safety

Hazard Identification

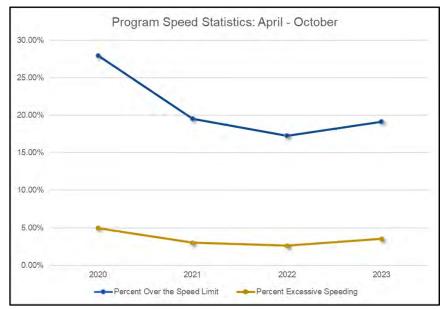
Goal: Decreased catastrophic events, especially fatalities

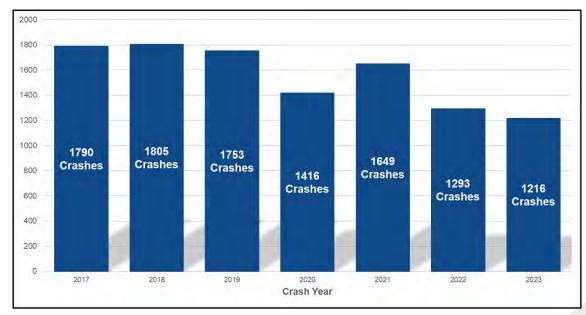


## WORK ZONE SPEED SAFETY CAMERAS



- Annual report published April 2024
- Covers from start of program to end of 2023
- Program is fulfilling its stated goals
- Program is focused on SAFETY, not revenue
- 68% of deployments have been to short-term patterns

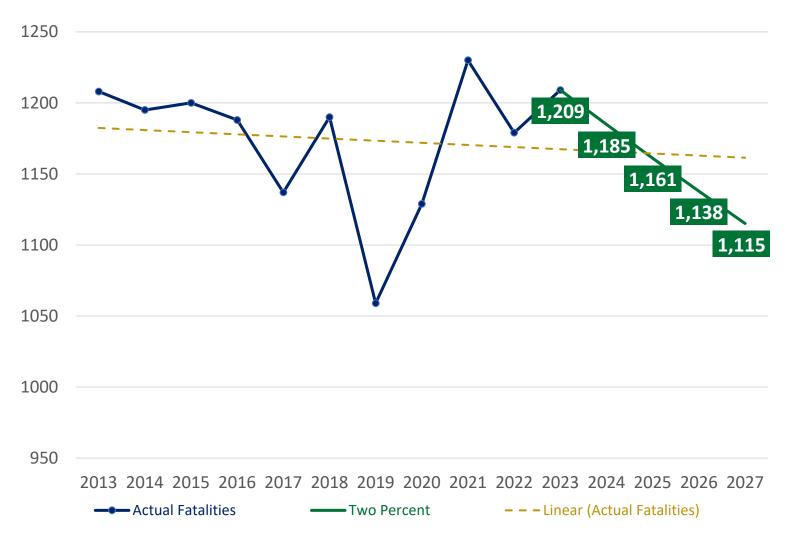


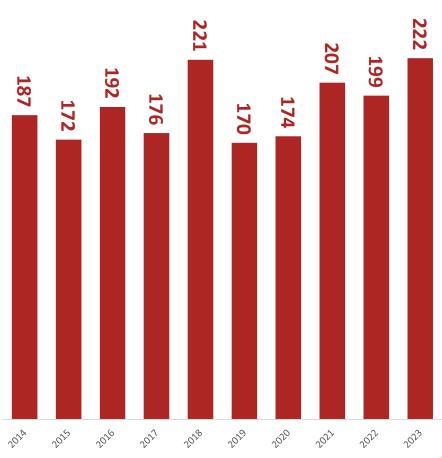




All Work Zone Crashes - 2017-2023

### FATALITIES





**Non-Motorized Fatalities** 



# RELATIONSHIPS



# INDUSTRY INTERACTION

### **Quality Improvement Committees**

- Asphalt Paving Quality Improvement Committee (APQIC)
  - Subcommittees
    - NECEPT
    - Mixture Performance Testing
    - Innovation and Implementation
- Aggregate Quality Improvement Committee (AQIC)
- Concrete Quality Improvement Committee (CQIC)
- Concrete Paving Quality Improvement Committee (CPQIC)
- Pennsylvania Association of Asphalt Material Applicators Quality Improvement Committee (PAAMA-QIC)
- Cement Quality Improvement Committee (CEMQIC)
- Slag Quality Improvement Committee (SlagQIC)





# PROGRAM DELIVERY

- ASSET MANAGEMENT
- PAVEMENT UPDATES
- INNOVATION
- FUNDING



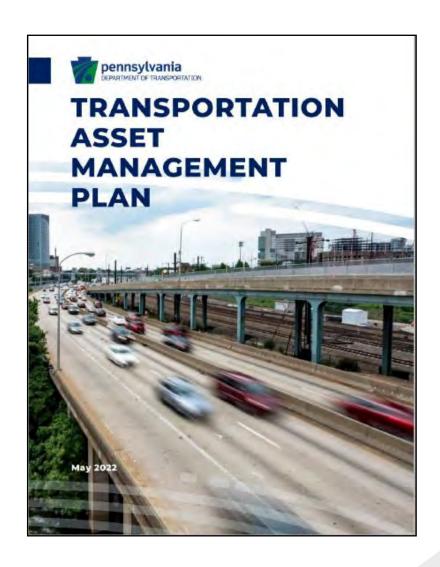
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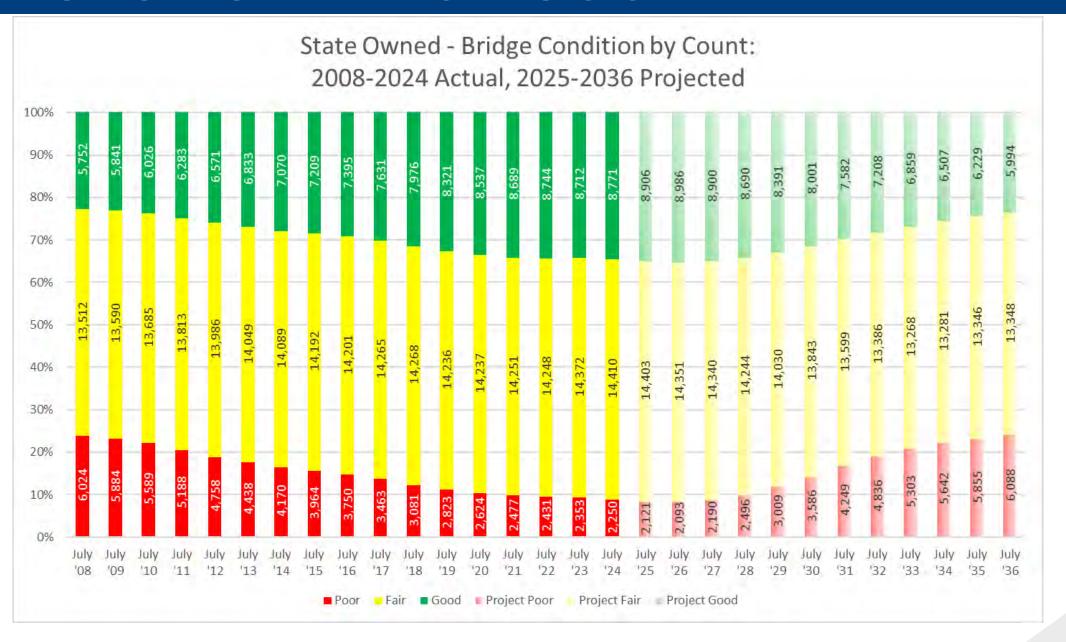
#### 2022 Transportation Asset Management Plan

- FHWA BIL compliance issued in March 2023
- In addition to Pennsylvania's National Highway System, this TAMP was expanded to include all state-owned roads and bridges
- Includes:
  - Inventory & Conditions
  - Performance Management
  - Life Cycle Planning
  - Risk Management
  - Financial Plan
  - Implementation Plan



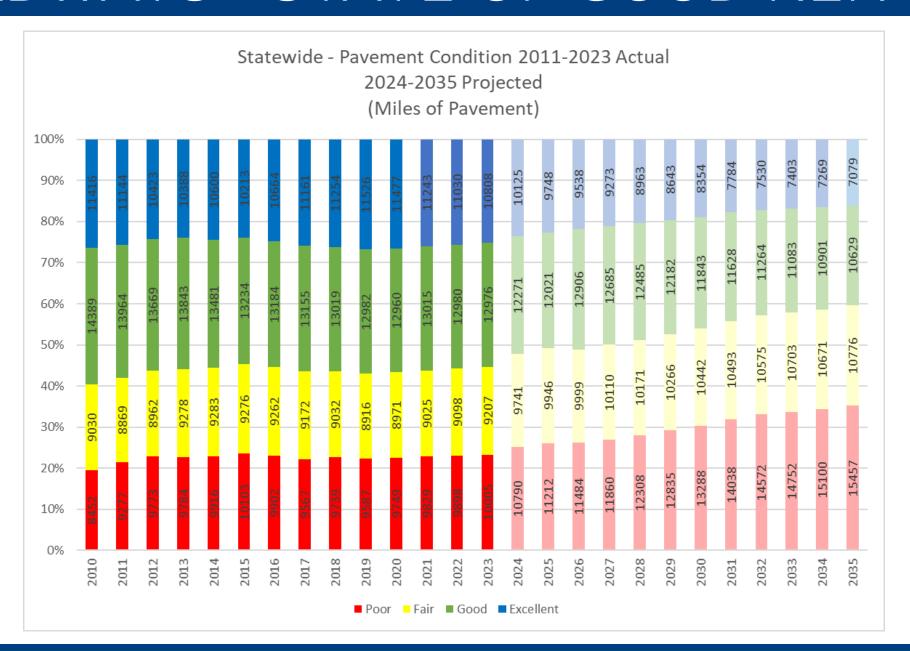


### BRIDGES - STATE OF GOOD REPAIR





### ROADWAYS - STATE OF GOOD REPAIR





# PAVEMENT UPDATES



# ASPHALT PAVING QIC (APQIC)

### **Activities and Accomplishments**

- Balanced Mix Design Efforts:
  - Submission of approximately 843 Asphalt Job Mix Formulas with Mechanical Testing Data
    - Based on Approved 2024 JMFs including CT-Index Data As of 6/20/2024.
  - Mixture Performance Testing PSU Research/Data Collection (Hamburg Wheel Track Testing and CT<sub>Index</sub> Testing).
    - Ongoing through September 26, 2025.
  - Issued Revised Implementation of Mechanical Testing into Pennsylvania's Asphalt Mix Design Approval Process (SOL# 481-24-01, Feb. 23, 2024)
    - o Revised implementation plan for 2024 to 2026 JMF Years.
    - o Revised Bulletin 27, Chapter 2A.
- Highly-Polymerized Asphalt Binder FHWA Grant for SMA Pilot Projects.
  - Four (4) ECMS projects to be let and grant funded:
    - 1 project each in D2, D5, D9, D11



## ASPHALT PAVING QIC (APQIC)

### <u>Activities and Accomplishments</u> (<u>Continued</u>)

- Post-Consumer Recycled Asphalt Shingles Development of Pilot Special Provision, Initial Pilot Projects, & Video-Log Evaluations.
  - D1, D2, & D6 Pilot Projects All Paved in 2022.
- SMA with 10% RAP, Pub. 408, Section 419, Specification Revision Implemented
  - Pub. 408/2020, Change No. 8 (Effective 04/12/2024).
- SMA with WMA Technology as Stabilizer Pub. 408, Section 419, Specification Revision Implemented.
  - Pub. 408/2020, Change No. 8 (Effective 04/12/2024)



## HIGHLY MODIFIED ASPHALT (HIMA)

PennDOT received \$700K Accelerated Innovation Deployment (AID) Grant for four SMA HiMA

pilot projects

District 2: SR 80-B42

District 5: SR 78-22M

District 9: SR 219-047

District 11: SR 376-A79

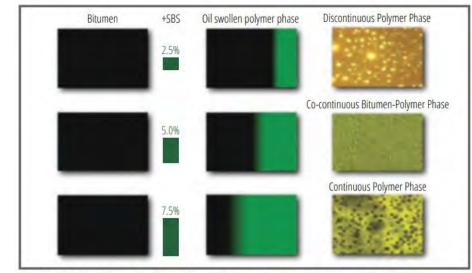


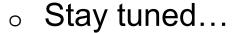
Figure 1. Effect of increasing styrene-butadiene-styrene polymer content on binder/polymer morphology (Source: Kraton Polymers)

- Polymer content 7% 8%. About twice the amount of traditional polymer modified asphalts, e.g. PG 76E-28HP.
- Used for high ESAL roadways to alleviate rutting and increase life, up to 10X rutting and fatigue resistance. Another tool in the box...



### RECYCLED PLASTICS IN ASPHALT

- Research project initiated with PSU- July 2022.
   Anticipated completion Sept. 2025
  - Work on going...
  - o Three pilot projects:
    - Completed projects in Dist. 6 & Dist. 11
    - One project in Dist. 8 to be completed in 2024
  - Includes field & lab testing from pilot projects







### COMPLETED ASPHALT UPDATES

- Fiberless SMA Option and up to 10% RAP Included in Pub. 408, Ch. #8 Sec. 419
  - Permits fiberless option utilizing Warm Mix Technology (WMA) to control drain down in lieu of cellulose fibers.
  - Permits up to 10% RAP when indicated by item number in contract.
- 6.3 MM Thin Asphalt Overlay (Non-Polymer Modified Asphalt) Std. SP (SSP)
  - Uses standard PG 64S-22 to provide preservation treatment for lower ADT roadways, lowering cost by not requiring polymer modified asphalt.
- Fog Seal for Asphalt Seal Coats Currently SSP will be included in Pub. 408, Ch. #9 Sec. 472
  - Updated to permit Fast Break Materials such as Non-Tracking Tack (NTT), New Emulsion Materials and Dilution changes.



### NEW INITIATIVES - STIC/TAG GROUPS

#### Cold Central Plant Recycle (CCPR) Base Course for High Volume Routes

- Utilizes 100% processed RAP from project or stockpile
- Typically produced through a portable plant using foamed asphalt or engineered emulsion and portland cement
- Current specification exists but is limited to roadways up to 15,000 ADT
- Considerable energy and carbon savings

#### Highly Modified Fuel Resistant Asphalt for Amish Buggy Routes

- Has approximately two times the amount of polymer and includes the additive to make it jet fuel resistant
- Polymer and fuel resistant additive make it more resistant to damage caused by buggies and horseshoes





### ONGOING TOPICS

#### Hands On Local Acceptance (HOLA) –

- Current HOLA SSP for Superpave Mixes available for use
- SMA HOLA included in Pub. 408
- Consultant option being explored

#### Mixture Temperature Methodology –

- FHWA, PennDOT and PAPA discussed recommended best practices
- PennDOT/PAPA Workgroup formed to find alternative. Discussions continue
- Calibrated stick thermometers are required





FHWA Everyday Counts 7 (EDC-7) Environmental Product Declarations (EPDs) for Sustainable Project Delivery

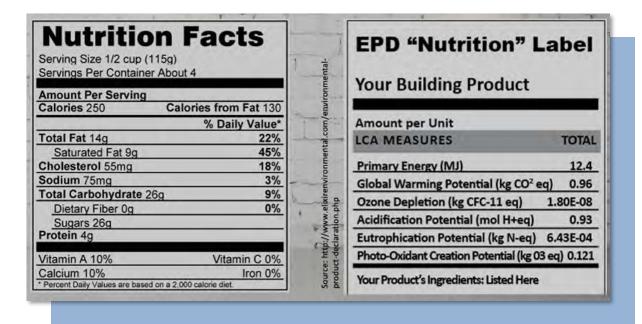




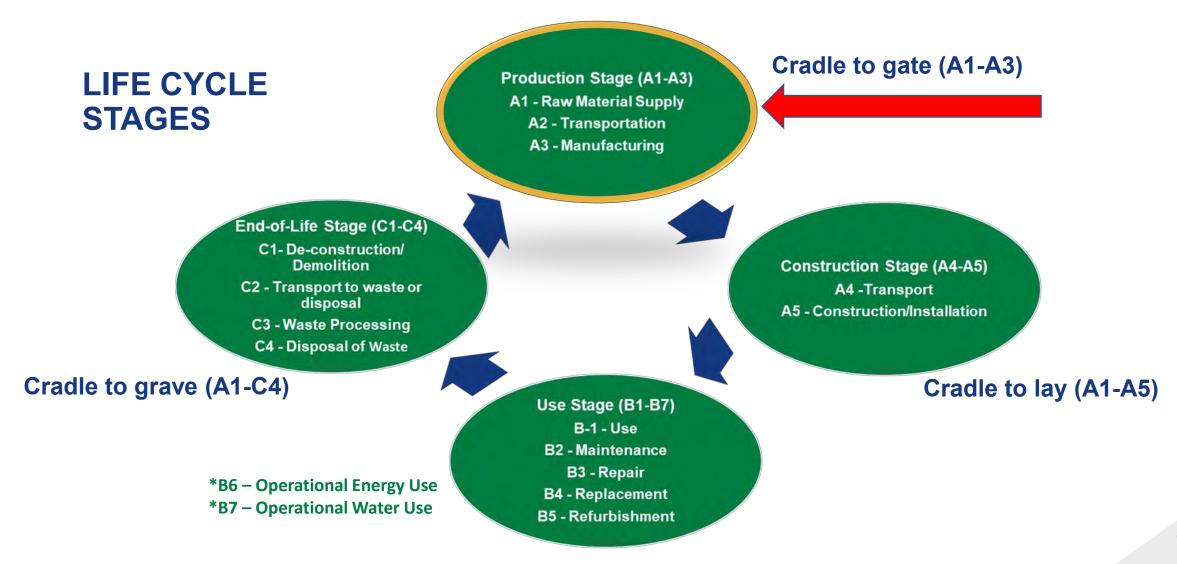


#### **HOW WILL THEY BE USED?**

- Reduce environmental impact of infrastructure construction materials Global Warming Potential (GWP)
- Improve sustainability goals and to demonstrate a commitment to the environment
- Help meet sustainability target / future goals
- Plant specific to develop industry averages and benchmarking









#### PLAN FOR ASPHALT EPD COLLECTION IN 2025

- Collection is planned via eCAMMS as part of the annual Job Mix Formula (JMF) approval
- Notification sent to Bulletin 41 providers and Industry on June 7, 2024
- A PDF copy of EPD will be included with each 2025 annual JMF submission using the attachment function and other data entry within eCAMMS for reporting and future benchmarking. A Strike-Off-Letter will be issued providing guidance.
- District Materials Unit will verify information of EPD attachment compared to EPD data entry when approving annual JMFs
- Notifications also provided on eCAMMS and ECMS login screens
- Standard Special Provision providing a biddable Lump Sum item to supply EPDs for all asphalt mixtures delivered to an ECMS project is currently out on Clearance Transmittal, H-24-020, for review (similar to e-Ticketing rollout). Comments are due on August 6, 2024.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

June 7, 2024

To: Department Bulletin 41 Producers

Re: Department Notification Regarding Environmental Product Declarations (EPDs)

Dear Bulletin 41 Producer:

The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation is in the development stage of implementing the Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA) Every Day Counts-7 (EDC-7) Initiative: *EPDs for Sustainable Project Delivery*. EPDs communicate the greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions of construction materials in a transparent and standardized manner. They provide an opportunity to reduce negative environmental impacts of building and maintaining our transportation infrastructure while also identifying possible energy and cost savings for producers while manufacturing material.

The Department is committed to the EDC-7 initiative, and this letter serves as the Department's notice that plant specific EPD collection for all asphalt mixtures will begin during the 2025 Job Mix Formula (JMF) year. Currently, the Department plans to utilize eCAMMS for submission of the EPD in PDF format using the attachment feature. Producers will attach the EPD when submitting their 2025 JMFs for approval to the district's materials unit. GHG information from the EPD will also be entered by the producer in reference data fields so it can be extracted for industry averages and benchmarking efforts in order to define low carbon asphalt mixtures. The district materials unit will verify the data entered into eCAMMS matches the data on the EPD attachment for the specific JMF prior to approval.

The National Asphalt Pavement Association (NAPA) has developed the <a href="Emerald-Eco-Label EPD Program"><u>Eco-Label EPD Program</u></a> (asphaltepd.org) to assist producers in development of EPDs for their JMFs. Cost of this software varies between NAPA members and non-members. The Department is currently exploring various mechanisms to reimburse producers for the costs associated with developing these EPDs.

The Department will be partnering with the Pennsylvania Asphalt Pavement Association over the next several months to develop additional guidance for including EPDs with 2025 JMFs along with cost reimbursement which will be provided to all producers later this year.

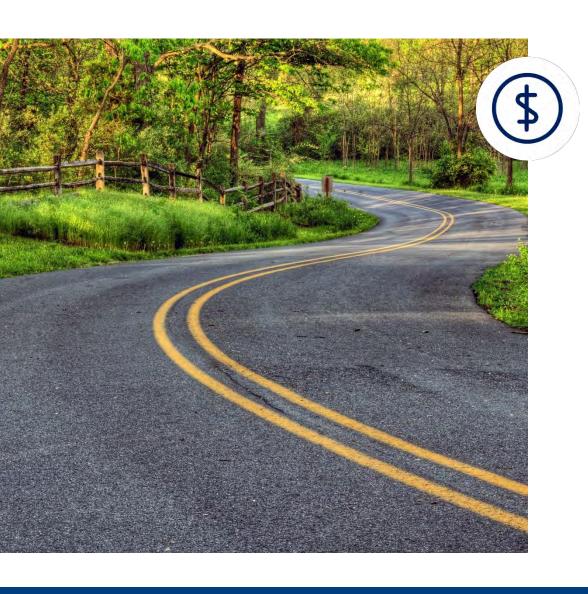
Additional information related to FHWA's EDC-7 Initiative, EPDs for Sustainable Project Delivery, is available at:

https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/innovation/everydaycounts/edc 7/sustainable epds.cfm

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# FEDERAL GRANT OPPORTUNITIES



- Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA)
- Inflation Reduction Act (IRA)
- Low-Carbon Transportation
   Materials (LCTM) Grant Program
- Future Grants...



## FEDERAL GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

- Low-Carbon Transportation Materials (LCTM) Grant Program
- Total of \$1.2 billion available for State DOTs, approximately \$22 million minimum per DOT
  - PennDOT submitted application for grant on June 7, 2024
  - Anticipated award announcements late summer 2024
  - Anticipated funding available fall of 2024
  - Obligation of funds by September 30, 2026
  - Expenditure of funds by September 30, 2031



 FHWA will also make \$800 million available to Non-State applicants (metropolitan planning organizations, local governments or agencies, etc.) in August 2024



# INNOVATION



# MOBILE APPLICATIONS (APPS)



eConcrete



Mileage & Hour Log



Sample ID



eTicketing



Maintenance & Protection of Traffic



Visual Site Inspection Report



Force Account



Project Site Inspection



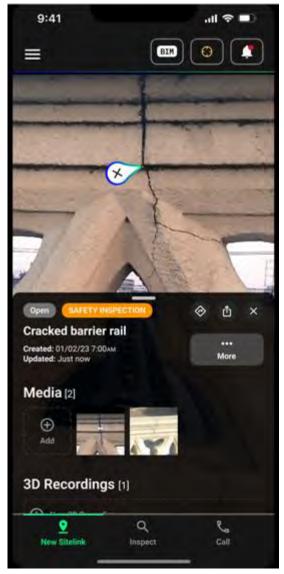
MC DOCs



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## MOVING INTO A VIRTUAL WORLD





Augmented Reality & Construction Analytics





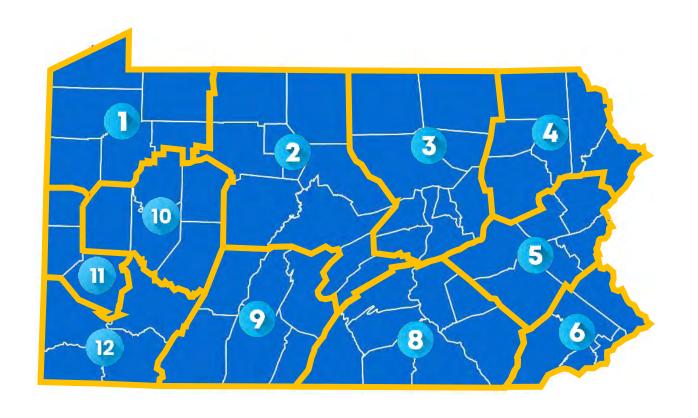
**Unmanned Aircraft Systems** 



### DIGITAL DELIVERY DIRECTIVE

#### Vision Statement

By 2025, construction projects will have the **ability** to be bid using 3D technology and no longer be in a traditional construction plan format.





Pilot projects being designed and constructed across the state using model-based approach for a standardized digital delivery process.



# FUNDING



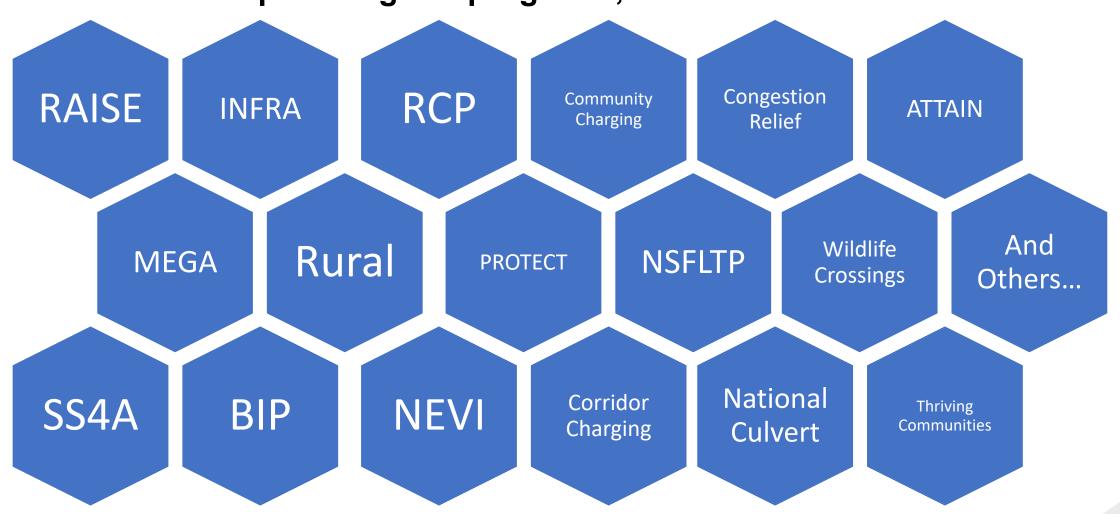
# BI-PARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE LAW (BIL)

FFY	PA Increased Formula Highway and Bridge Funding	PA Federal Formula Highway and Bridge Funding Totals (Existing + New)			
2022	\$704.7 million	\$2.5 billion			
2023	\$748.2 million	\$2.5 billion			
2024	\$792.5 million	\$2.6 billion			
2025	\$837.7 million	\$2.6 billion			
2026	\$883.9 million	\$ 2.7 billion			
5-year Total	\$4 billion	~\$13 billion			



### BI-PARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE LAW (BIL)

Numerous competitive grant programs, each with a different focus.





### FUNDING PROJECTS- CASH FLOW

- The FY 24-25 State Budget reduced PSP funding from the Motor License Fund by \$125 Million.
  - Highway Maintenance was increased by \$75 Million
  - Highway Constuction was increased by \$50 Million
- At least \$2.8 Billion letting program is sustainable for calendar year 2024. The future lettings will continue to be evaluated especially as the federal IIJA funding is exhausted in FFY 2026.
- \$80.5 Million for Local Roads and Bridges

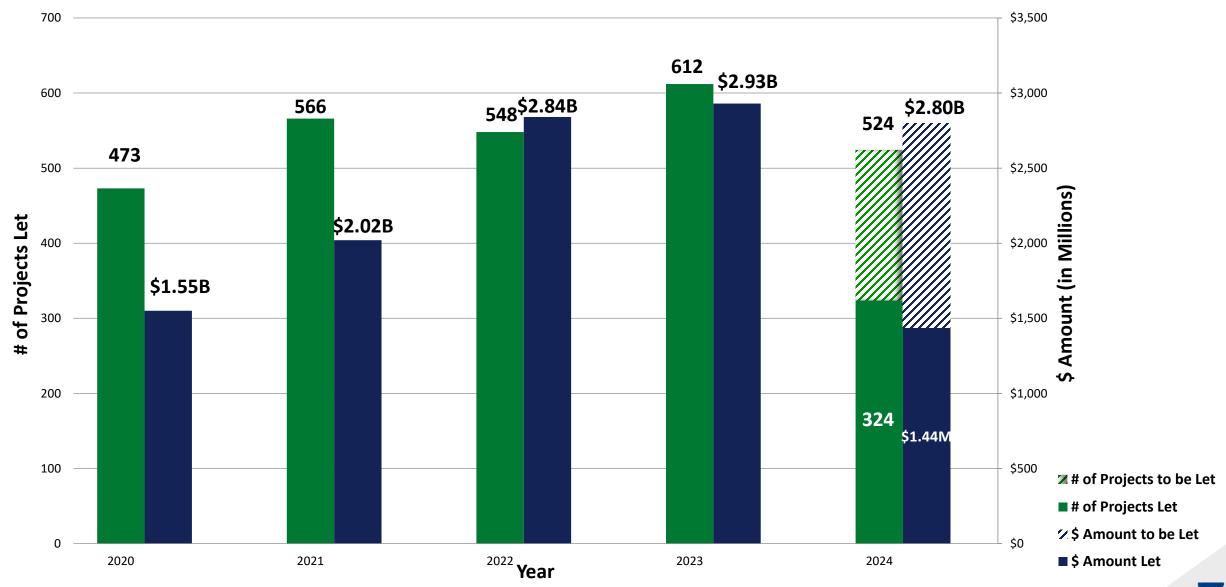




# PROGRAM OUTLOOK



# PROJECT LETTING TRENDS





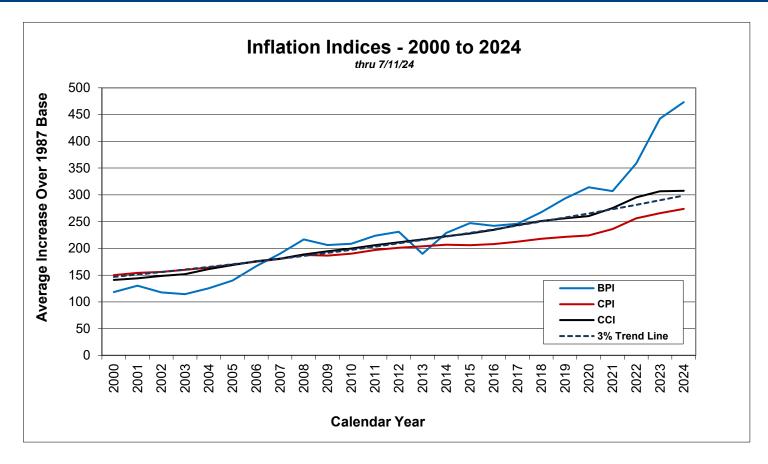
# PROGRAM DISTRIBUTION

	Cost Based Percentage						
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024*		
Highway	61%	71%	73%	61%	56%		
Bridge	24%	17%	19%	26%	31%		
Other	15%	12%	8%	13%	13%		

<sup>\*2024</sup> Projected



## INFLATION



	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
BPI	20.7%	7.9%	-2.0%	1.5%	8.8%	9.6%	7.1%	-2.3%	16.9%	23.3%	7.0%
CPI	1.5%	-0.4%	1.0%	2.1%	2.6%	1.7%	1.2%	5.3%	8.4%	3.8%	3.0%
CCI	2.7%	2.3%	3.0%	3.9%	3.0%	2.0%	1.6%	5.8%	7.2%	2.7%	0.2%



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### MOVING FORWARD INTO 2024

We look forward to working with PAPA and its members in 2024 and beyond!





