ARKANSAS

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) provides significant new funding to improve the condition of Arkansas’ infrastructure systems and better ensure our infrastructure is prepared for the future.

AVIATION: Arkansas is home to 6 major airports that will benefit from the $25 billion in increased airport infrastructure funding provided over 5 years from the BIB.  

BRIDGES: Nearly 5% of Arkansas’s bridges are in poor condition and considered structurally deficient. The BIB provides $40 billion in new funding for bridge repair, replacement, and rehabilitation – the single largest dedicated bridge investment in over 50 years.

ROADS: Arkansas has made significant progress in improving its roads and highway capacities through the $1.8 billion Connecting Arkansas Program. With the $3.9 billion in additional funding over the next 5 years provided by the IIJA, Arkansas can continue to pursue similarly expansive roadway improvement programs.

PORTS AND INLAND WATERWAYS: Arkansas is home to 3 major water ports and 1,860 miles of inland waterways that will benefit from $17 billion in new infrastructure funding over 5 years from the BIB.

WASTEWATER: Since 2016, Arkansas has received, on average, nearly $8 million annually to finance wastewater projects through the Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program. With IIJA funding, the state is set to receive roughly double that for the next 5 years.

DRINKING WATER: Arkansas reports a $7.4 billion drinking water investment gap. The BIB provides $55 billion to upgrade the nation’s water infrastructure.

DAMS: Arkansas has 193 high hazard potential dams. The BIB provides $585 million for high hazard dam rehabilitation and $148 million for dam safety programs.

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