

## 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.<sup>15</sup>

**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.<sup>16</sup>

**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.<sup>17</sup>

**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.<sup>18</sup>

**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.<sup>19</sup>

**DRINKING WATER:** Arkansas reports a \$7.4 billion drinking water investment gap. The BIB provides \$55 billion to upgrade the nation's water infrastructure.<sup>20</sup>

**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.<sup>21</sup>

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<sup>15</sup> Bureau of Transportation Statistics, "State Transportation by the Numbers."

<sup>16</sup> U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, Office of Bridge Technology. National Bridge Inventory 2017, Deficient Bridges by State and Highway System.

<sup>17</sup> <https://connectingarkansasprogram.com/>

<sup>18</sup> Bureau of Transportation Statistics, "State Transportation by the Numbers."

<sup>19</sup> EPA CWSRF National Information Management System <https://www.epa.gov/cwsrf/clean-water-state-revolving-fund-cwsrf-national-information-management-system-reports>

<sup>20</sup> EPA Drinking Water Needs Survey, 2016

<sup>21</sup> U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, National Inventory of Dams, 2016