DELAWARE

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

AVIATION: Delaware is home to 2 major airports that will benefit from the $25 billion in increased airport infrastructure funding provided over 5 years from the BIB.¹

BRIDGES: Up to 3.2% of Delaware’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.²

RAIL: The Northeast Corridor Commission is planning a 15-year upgrade to the region’s rail system, but the funding gap for this plan is $100 billion. The IIJA’s $66 billion for passenger rail service can significantly improve the condition of the rail system that so many of the state’s residents rely on.

ROADS: 71% of Delaware’s urban Interstate highways are considered congested during peak hours. Connecticut DOT will receive $1.41 billion from the IIJA over five years; this funding will help alleviate congestion, provide transportation alternatives, and repave roads.³

PORTS AND INLAND WATERWAYS: Delaware is home to 2 major ports and 100 miles of inland waterways that will benefit from $17 billion in new infrastructure funding over 5 years from the BIB.⁴

DRINKING WATER: Delaware reports a $806 million drinking water investment gap. The BIB provides $55 billion to upgrade the nation’s water infrastructure.⁵

DAMS: Delaware has 63 high hazard potential dams. The BIB provides $585 million for high hazard dam rehabilitation and $148 million for dam safety programs.⁶

¹ Bureau of Transportation Statistics, “State Transportation by the Numbers.”
² U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, Office of Bridge Technology. National Bridge Inventory 2017, Deficient Bridges by State and Highway System.
³ Transportation Research Group
⁵ EPA Drinking Water Needs Survey, 2016
⁶ U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, National Inventory of Dams, 2016