

Bipartisan Infrastructure Law

Overview for the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

May 3, 2022 County Executive Office



Overview

- President Biden signed H.R. 3684, the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) into law on November 15, 2021
- Provides \$550 billion in new (above baseline) spending for a broad array of infrastructure programs
- Allocates funding to over 350 programs across more than a dozen federal departments/agencies





Transportation Highlights

- \$40 billion: Bridge funding
 - \$12.5 billion for the Bridge Investment Program
- \$8 billion: Infrastructure for Rebuilding America (INFRA)
- \$7.5 billion: Rebuilding American Infrastructure Sustainably and Equitably (RAISE) grants
- \$5 billion for the National Infrastructure Project Assistance or "Megaprojects.
- Five-year reauthorization for the Federal Highway Administration at the Department of Transportation.



County Eligible Funding Opportunities: Transportation

- Bridge Investment Program *NEW*
- Local and Regional Project Assistance Grants (RAISE)
- Nationally Significant Freight & Highway Projects (INFRA)
- National Infrastructure Project Assistance (Megaprojects) *NEW*
- Transportation and Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act
- Rural Surface Transportation Grant Program *NEW*
- National Culvert Removal, Replacement, & Restoration Grant *NEW*
- Advanced Transportation Technologies & Innovation Act
- State Incentives Pilot Program *NEW*
- Nationally Significant Federal Lands and Tribal Projects
- Congestion Relief Program *NEW*
- Grants for Planning, Feasibility Analysis, and Revenue Forecasting *NEW*
- Strategic Innovation for Revenue Collection





Climate, Energy, Environment Highlights

- \$6.2 billion for Transportation Carbon Reduction Formula Program.
- \$7.5 billion to support charging infrastructure for electric vehicles.
- Transit increases to support zero-emission vehicles for public transportation including a \$5.25 billion program dedicated to no- and lowemission buses.
- \$8.7 billion for a new PROTECT Grant Program
- \$4.7 billion for capping "orphaned" oil/gas wells to reduce GHG emissions.





County Eligible Funding Opportunities: Climate, Energy, Environment

- Regional Clean Hydrogen Hubs *NEW*
- Program Upgrading Our Electric Grid and Ensuring Reliability and Resiliency *NEW*
- Battery Manufacturing and Recycling Grants *NEW*
- Battery Materials Processing Grants *NEW*
- Carbon Capture Demonstration Projects Program *NEW*
- Carbon Dioxide Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation *NEW*
- Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program *NEW*
- Energy Storage Demonstration Pilot Grant Program*NEW*
- Carbon Utilization Program*NEW*
- Long-Duration Energy Storage Demonstration Initiative and Joint Program *NEW*
- Watershed Rehabilitation Program



Water Highlights

- \$55 billion targeted towards clean water and safe drinking water projects.
- \$15 billion available for lead pipe replacement and \$10 billion for per/polyfluoroalkyl cleanup.
- \$15.75 billion for Flood Control/Navigation/Ecosystem Restoration programs at the Army Corps of Engineers.







County Eligible Funding Opportunities: Water and Resilience

- Water and Groundwater Storage, and Conveyance
- Dam Safety Program
- WaterSMART Grants
- Water Resources Development Act Data Acquisition
- Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost Saving Transportation (PROTECT) *NEW*
- Flood mitigation Assistance Grants
- State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program *NEW*
- Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities
- Community Wildfire Defense Grant Program for at-risk Communities *NEW*
- Watershed And Flood Prevention Operations
- Flood and Inundation Mapping and Forecasting, Water Modeling and Precipitation Studies
- National Oceans and Coastal Security Fund
- Habitat Restoration
- Aquatic Ecosystems Restoration and Protection Projects *NEW*

- Department of Interior Wildfire Management Preparedness
- Emergency Preparedness Grants
- Ecosystem Fish Passage
- Direct Federal Spending for Invasives
- Ocean and Coastal Observing Systems
- Multi-Benefit Projects to Improve Watershed Health *NEW*
- State Fire Assistance
- National Seed Strategy *NEW*
- Ecosystem Sagebrush-Steppe
- Contracts and Agreements for Restoration on Federal Lands*NEW*
- Wildfire
- Ocean and Coastal Observing Systems
- Volunteer Fire Assistance



Broadband Highlights



http://www.sbcag.org/survey.html

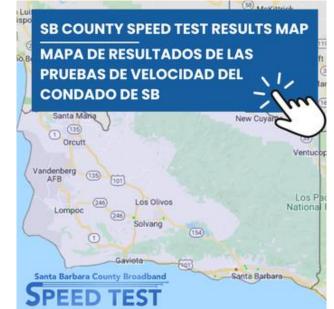
\$65 billion for broadband programs:

- \$42.45 billion for a Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment Program
- \$2.75 billion for Digital Equity Grants
- \$5 billion for grants to state for "middle mile" broadband projects
- The Emergency Broadband Benefit Program extended beyond the end of the public health emergency
 - Monthly stipend would be lowered from \$50 to \$30



County Eligible Funding Opportunities: Broadband

- Distance Learning, Telemedicine, and Broadband Program: Reconnect
- Middle Mile Grants Program *NEW*
- Distance Learning, Telemedicine, and Broadband Program: Broadband
- Affordable Connectivity Program (still determining program recipients) *NEW*

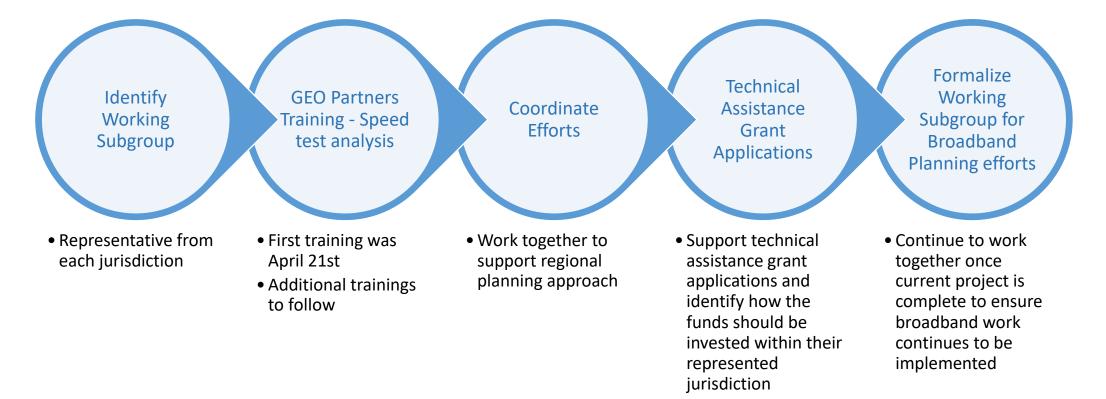






SBC Broadband Strategic Plan







Waterfront Infrastructure Feasibility Study

- In March 2022, REACH proposed a Waterfront Infrastructure and Emerging Industries Feasibility Study.
 - Primary focus: examine opportunities to enhance waterfront infrastructure that would aid in growing the commercial space industry on the Central Coast.
- During the FY 2022-23 budget workshops, the Board supported funding of \$100,000 towards a Waterfront Infrastructure Feasibility Study
- The National Infrastructure Project Assistance (MEGA) program was created to fund major projects that are too large or complex for traditional funding programs.
 - Grants on a competitive basis to support multijurisdictional or regional projects of significance that may also cut across multiple modes of transportation.
 - Eligible projects could include highway, bridge, freight, port, passenger rail, and public transportation projects of national and regional significance.



Impact to County: Implementation Steps

- Five-year approach
- Review legislative text, programs, and funding
- Participate in agency briefings and webinars
- Review/respond to Notices of Funding Opportunity
- Coordinate with state and regional partners
- Coordinate with Senators and Representative





Status of Key Funding Allocated through the State

- FHWA Formulas (CalTrans)
 - FY22 allocated to states 12/15/21
- DOT Bridge Formula (CalTrans)
 - FY22 allocated to states 1/14/22
- Charging Infrastructure (CalTrans)
 - States submit plans by 8/1/22
- EPA Water Projects (CSWRCB)
 - Funding Guidance to States March 2022
- Broadband (CPUC)
 - Federal NOFO expected mid-May 2022
- DOT PROTECT Grants (Caltrans)



- Formula FY22 allocated to states 12/15/21
- Orphan Gas/Oil Wells
 - Funding to states announced 1/31/22
- Carbon Reduction (CalTrans)
 - Funding released to States 4/22/22
- Energy Efficiency Block Grant
 - TBA Fall 2022

Status of Key Competitive Grant NOFOs

CLOSED	STILL OPEN	NOT YET OPENED
RAISE Multimodal Grants	Port Infrastructure Grants	DOT Bridge Competitive
• FY 22 NOFO closed 4/14/22	• FY22 NOFO closes 5/16/22	• FY22 TBA May
	MEGA/INFRA/Rural FY22 NOFO closes 5/23/22 	DOT Culvert Removal/Replacement FY22 TBA Summer
		FEMA BRIC • TBA Fall
		DOT PROTECT Grants Competitive • <i>TBA</i>
		DOT Charging Infrastructure TBA



National Association of County Engineers - NACE

- Mission: The Voice of County Road Officials in America
- NACo Resolutions:
 - Support of Direct Federal Funding to Local Governments for the Improvement and Maintenance of Local Roads in America (Lavagnino)
 - Support of Eliminating Regulatory Impediments for Effective Delivery of Federal Aid Projects
 - Disaster Recovery Priorities FEMA Customer Service & Efficiency Improvements (Future)



Thank you. Questions?

