

# 2023 WCHA Winter Conference

## FHWA Updates

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# BIL YEAR 1 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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# \$305.26M in Grant Funding Awarded Nationwide

- National Operations Center of Excellence
- National Center for Excellence in Project Finance
- National Center for Excellence for Rural Road Safety
- National Road Network Pilot Program
- Tribal Transportation Program Safety Fund
- Eisenhower Fellowship Program Fellowships and Local Competition Grants, and Grants for Research
- Pedestrian and Bicycle Information Center
- ITS4US Deployment Program Cooperative Agreement Grants
- Tribal Technical Assistance Program (TTAP) Center
- Advanced Transportation and Congestion Management Technologies Deployment
- Nationally Significant Federal Lands and Tribal Projects Program
- Highway Use Tax Evasion Program
- Commuter Authority Rail Safety Improvement (CARSI)
- Bridge Investment Program Planning Grants

# 7 NOFOs Posted

- FY22 & FY23 Tribal Transportation Program Safety Fund
- Eisenhower Fellowship Program
- Bridge Investment Program
- Nationally Significant Federal Lands and Tribal Projects Program
- Advanced Transportation Technologies and Innovative Deployment Program
- FY22 National Culvert AOP Program
- Safe Streets For All

# 14 Guidance Documents Released

- Bridge Formula Program
- Highway Safety Improvement Program
- National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) Formula Program
- Transportation Alternatives (TA) Set-Aside
- Over-the-Road Buses Equal Access Reporting Requirements
- Carbon Reduction Program
- Railway-Highway Crossings Program
- National Highway Performance Program
- Surface Transportation Block Grant Program
- Tribal Transportation Program Bridge Program Q&As
- Local Hiring Preference
- ITS Projects Flexibilities
- PROECT Formula Program
- Environmental Review Toolkit

# Buy America updated by BIL

- Buy America remains unchanged for iron & steel
- FHWA general applicability waiver remains in effect for manufactured products
- Construction materials are required to comply with Buy America as of Nov 10, 2022
  - Non-ferrous metals
  - Plastic and polymer-based products
  - Glass
  - Lumber
  - Drywall
- Proposed waiver for electric vehicle (EV) chargers
- Newly proposed waivers
  - For de minimis costs, small grants, and minor components (commercial-off-the-shelf (COTS) items

# BIL YEAR 2 WHAT TO EXPECT

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- Continuation of BIL USDOT/FHWA Updates
- NOFOs and Awards
- FHWA Staffing Changes
- Specific LP Resources



# FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES PREPARATION & HOW WE WORK TOGETHER

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# Funding Opportunities Preparation

- Understanding Fed Aid Requirements (i.e. NEPA) & Resources
- Understanding the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) - requirements, deadlines, informational webinars, etc.
- Staffing Considerations (i.e., application, implementation/oversight, etc.)
- Lessons Learned from others

# How We Work Together

- Technical Capacity (Formula & Discretionary Programs)
  - FHWA Resource Center (Call for Service)
  - National Highway Institute
    - **UPDATED:** [Understanding the Uniform Guidance Requirements \(2 CFR 200\) for Federal Awards \(FHWA-NHI-231034\)](#)
  - FHWA Webinars
  - Local Technical Assistance Program (LTAP) | Wisconsin Transportation Information Center (TIC)
  - Eastern and Midwest Tribal Technical Assistance Program (TTAP) | **To be announced**
  - Statewide Meetings/Conferences
- Understanding Roles & Responsibilities
- Ongoing/Timely Communication

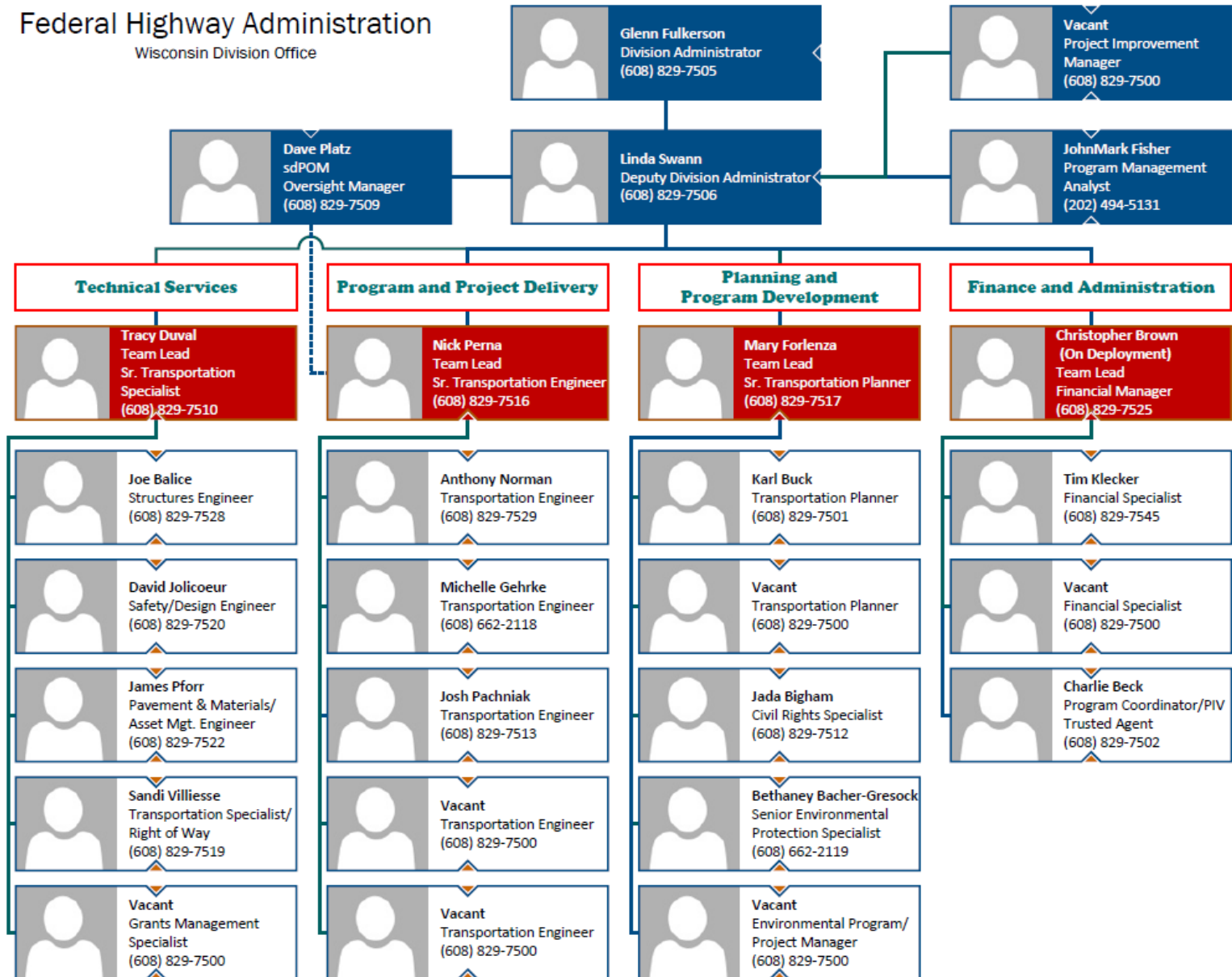
# FHWA WISCONSIN DIVISION

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- Who We Are
- What We Do – LP Focus Areas

# Federal Highway Administration

Wisconsin Division Office



# What We Do – Local Program Focus Areas



Safety



Oversight Plan

Planning/  
Programming



Technical Assistance



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Finance

# What We Do – Local Program Focus Areas (cont.)

## Safety

Safe System Approach | Local Safety Plans | HSIP | SS4A, etc.

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## Planning/Programming

Program Guidelines | Eligibility | TIP/STIP Approval | Functional Classification and Boundary Changes, etc.

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## Finance

Project Authorization | Inactive projects, etc.

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## Oversight Plan

Risk-Based | Responsible Charge | Compliance | Accountability, etc.

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## Technical Assistance

BIL USDOT/FHWA Updates | LP Resources | LTAP | Peer Exchanges | Trainings | etc.

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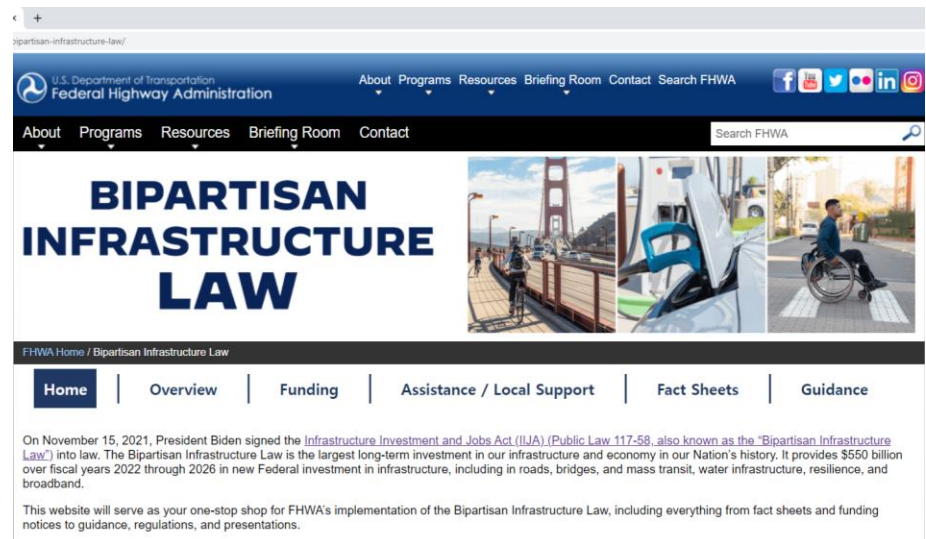
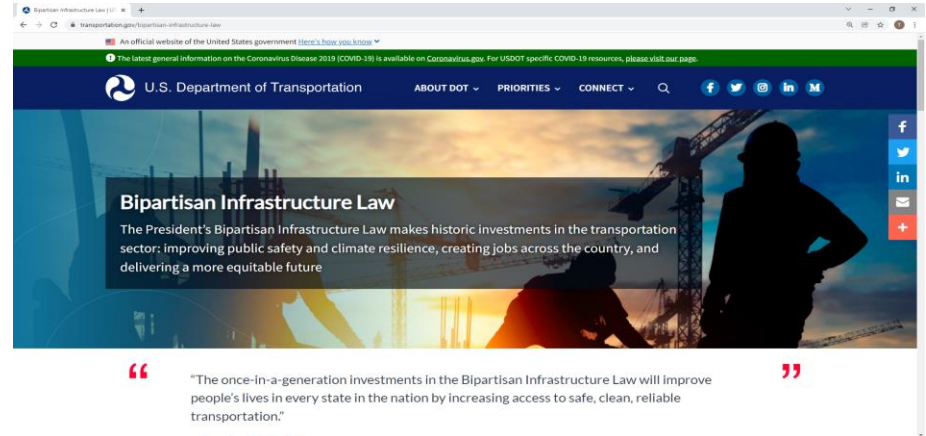
# RESOURCES & OTHER

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# BIL Implementation Websites

- “One-stop shop” implementation websites:
  - DOT-wide:  
<https://www.transportation.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law>
  - FHWA:  
<https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/>
- Customer-oriented and public-facing
- Updated over time with additional material



# Overview of BIL Highway Provisions

- Summary of major provisions
  - Changes to existing programs
  - Summaries of key new programs and provisions
  - Program-specific funding levels
- Available to the public online:  
<https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/summary.cfm>

**BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE LAW (BIL)\***  
Overview of Highway Provisions

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**[NEW] National Electric Vehicle Formula Program**  
(formula and discretionary\*)

Purpose	Strategically deploy electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure and establish an interconnected network to facilitate data collection, access, and reliability
Funding	\$5 B (FY 22-26) in advance appropriations from the GF
Recipients	• States (including DC and Puerto Rico)
Distribution formula	• Same shares as Federal-aid highway apportionments
Other key provisions	• Funded projects must be located along designated all-fuel corridors

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### Other Safety-related Provisions

Program/topic	Provisions in the new law
Increasing Safe and Accessible Transportation Options (§11206)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Defines Complete Streets standards and policies</li><li>• Requires each State and MPO to carry out transportation planning activities related to complete streets or multimodal travel using—<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ State: at least 2.5% of its State Planning and Research (SPR) funds</li><li>○ MPO: at least 2.5% of its Metropolitan Planning (PL) funds</li></ul></li></ul>
Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) (§§11129, 11135)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Adds to MUTCD purposes inclusion and mobility for all users</li><li>• Requires MUTCD update within 18 months, every 4 years thereafter</li><li>• Requires first update to provide for protection of vulnerable road users to the greatest extent possible, among other specified elements</li></ul>

\* Program sets aside and withdraws funding from

# Other Explanatory Materials

	URL	Provides (or will provide) information on
<b>Guidance</b>	<a href="https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/guidance.cfm">https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/guidance.cfm</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Bridge Formula Program</li><li>• [Later] additional BIL programs and provisions</li></ul>
<b>Technical assistance/support</b>	<a href="https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/technical_support.cfm">https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/technical_support.cfm</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Federal-aid Division contacts</li><li>• Office of Tribal Transportation</li><li>• FHWA Resource Center</li><li>• Local/Tribal technical assistance programs</li></ul>
<b>Fact sheets</b>	<a href="https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/fact_sheets.cfm">https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/fact_sheets.cfm</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Legacy formula programs</li><li>• [Later] new BIL programs</li></ul>
<b>Funding Notices</b>	<a href="https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/funding.cfm">https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/funding.cfm</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• BIL highway authorizations</li><li>• Apportionment/ob limit notices</li><li>• Other funding notices</li></ul>

# Other Explanatory Materials

Be Involved — and In the Know

[https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/docs/BIL\\_beinvolved.pdf](https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/docs/BIL_beinvolved.pdf)

# BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE LAW



## Be Involved – and In the Know

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, otherwise known as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), represents a once-in-a-generation investment in our Nation's infrastructure, competitiveness, and communities and provides approximately \$550 billion in new Federal infrastructure investment.

### Stay up to date with FHWA rollout of BIL programs

Information and Programs	Where to Find It
FHWA's BIL website: information on funding, program guidance, and fact sheets	<a href="https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/">https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/</a>
Overview of BIL highway provisions	<a href="https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/summary.cfm">https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/summary.cfm</a>
Library of recorded BIL program webinars	<a href="https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/webinars.cfm">https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/webinars.cfm</a>
Transportation Funding Opportunities for Tribal Nations brochure	<a href="https://highways.dot.gov/federal-lands/programs-tribal/funding-opportunities">https://highways.dot.gov/federal-lands/programs-tribal/funding-opportunities</a>
Listing of competitive grant programs and eligible entities	<a href="https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/grant_programs.cfm">https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/grant_programs.cfm</a>
USDOT Information of Notices of Funding Opportunities (NOFO's)	<a href="https://www.transportation.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/upcoming-notice-funding-opportunity-announcements-2022">https://www.transportation.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/upcoming-notice-funding-opportunity-announcements-2022</a>
To apply for discretionary grants	<a href="https://www.grants.gov/">https://www.grants.gov/</a>

### New To Transportation Federal-Aid?

#### USDOT Technical Assistance Resource DOT Navigator

USDOT Resources to help understand the grant-making process, key requirements, and transportation processes

<https://www.transportation.gov/dot-navigator>

#### FHWA Technical Assistance & Local Support

Find your local Federal Highway Administration office, technical assistance programs, training opportunities, and program information

[https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/technical\\_support.cfm](https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/technical_support.cfm)

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) is diligently working to release BIL funding opportunities as well as informational materials for our many exciting programs.



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FOR MORE INFORMATION

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