

# Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department

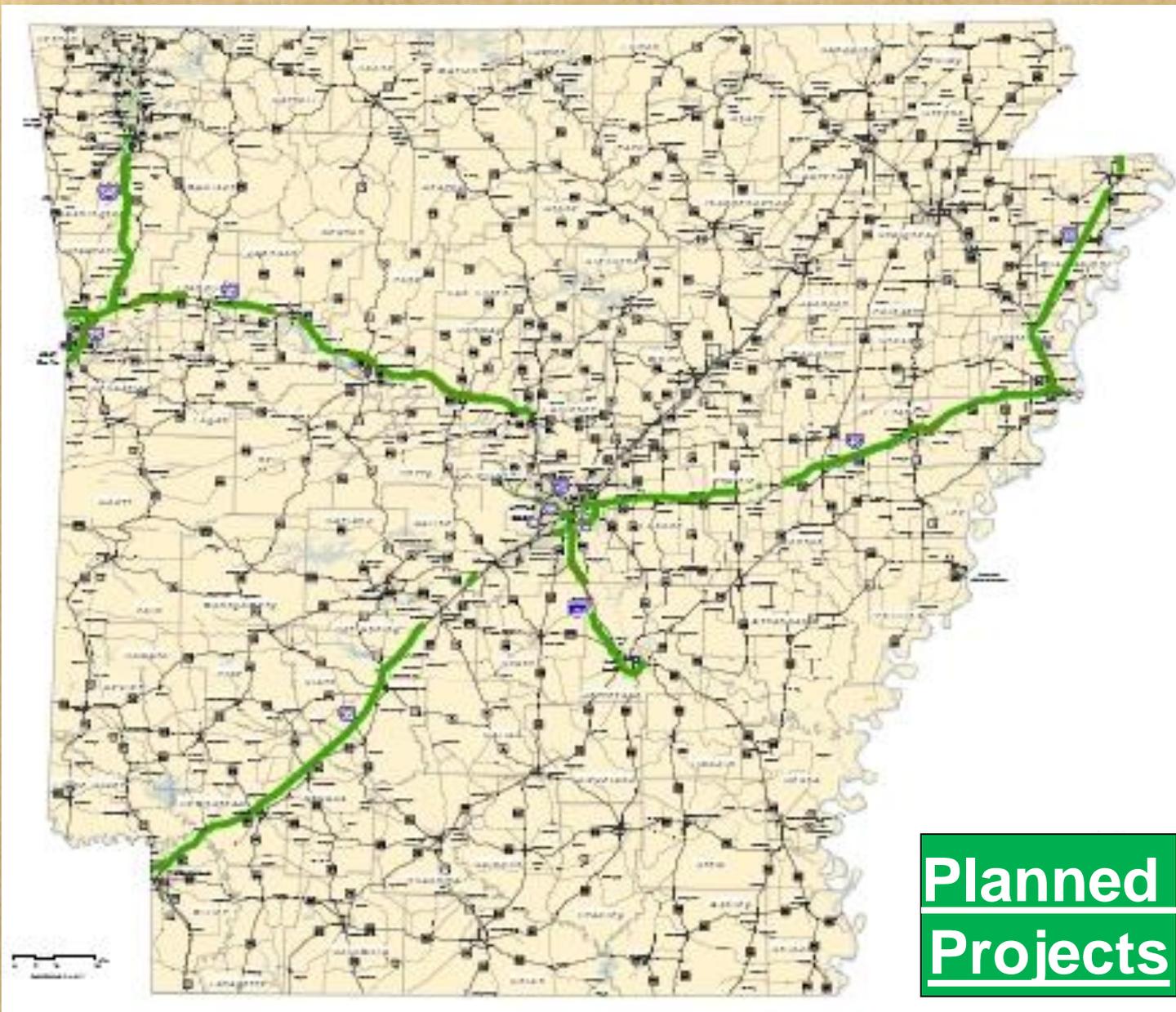


**Arkansas Good Roads Transportation Council**

**Little Rock, AR**

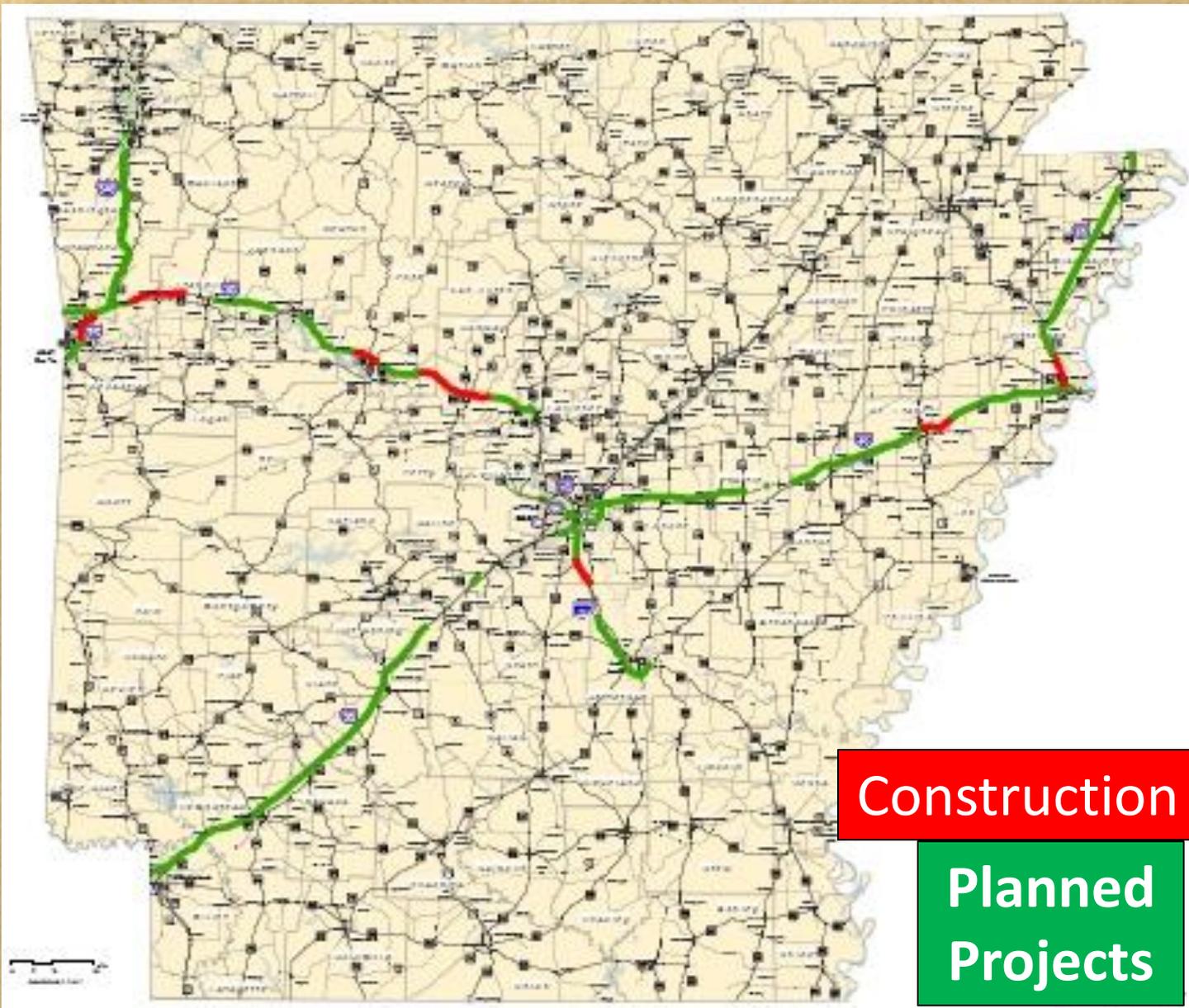
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# Interstate Rehabilitation Program



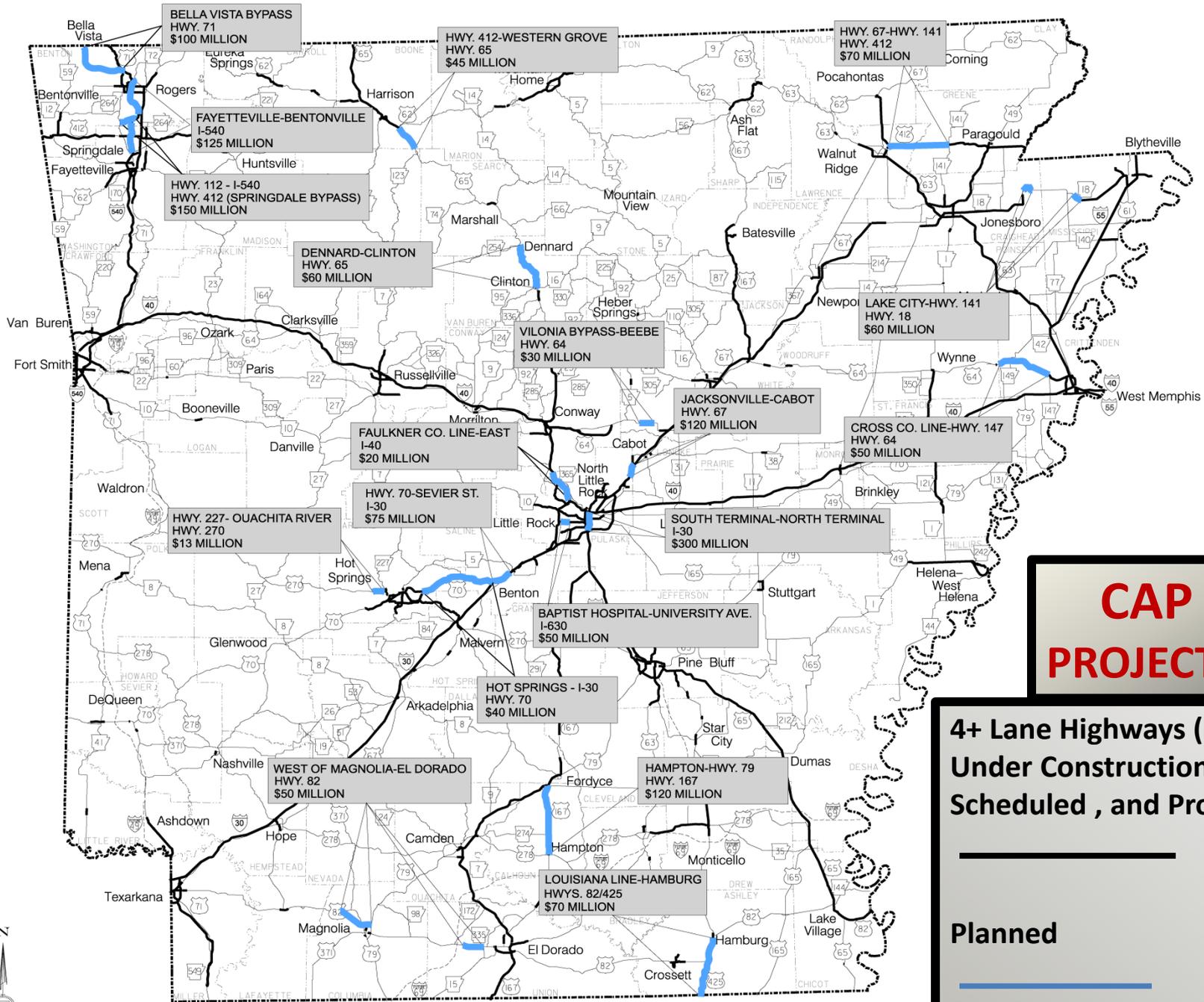
**Planned  
Projects**

# Interstate Rehabilitation Program



Construction

Planned  
Projects



# CAP PROJECTS

**4+ Lane Highways (Existing, Under Construction, Scheduled , and Proposed)**

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**Planned**

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# THE **I-Plan**

**I**nvesting in **I**nfrastructure **I**mprovements

A COMMUNICATIONS AND MARKETING PLAN

for the



prepared by

THE AHTD PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICE

April 2013



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# 89<sup>th</sup> General Assembly



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# 89<sup>th</sup> General Assembly *Review*



**Passed**

## **“Move Over” Law Act 579**

- **Current law applies to emergency vehicles using flashing lights**
- **Revised to include vehicles owned by AHTD, our contractors, and utilities**

# 89<sup>th</sup> General Assembly *Review*



**Passed**

## **Design-Build Law Act 579**

- **Current law allows for design-build on two projects of at least \$50 million. Expired this year**
- **Revised to extend the law for 10 years, relate it to CAP projects**

# 89<sup>th</sup> General Assembly *Review*



**Passed**

## **Disposal of State Highway Right of Way Act 764**

- **Allows transfer of right of way to local jurisdiction if highway is transferred.**
- **Allows cost of improvements to be considered when disposing property.**

# 89<sup>th</sup> General Assembly *Review*



**Passed**

## **Authority to Continue Fee Assessment Act 1362**

- **Act 1159 of 2011 required specific statutory authority for state agencies to continue to assess fees for permits, etc.**
- **Assures AHTD can continue to collect fees from logos, billboards, roadway maintenance assessments, etc.**

# 89<sup>th</sup> General Assembly *Review*



**Passed**

## **Uniform Commercial Driver Licenses Act 758**

- **Technical amendments to existing CDL law to comply with Federal law**
- **Failure to comply would have resulted in loss of \$17 million in first year and \$33 million in second year (Federal Funds)**

# 89<sup>th</sup> General Assembly *Review*



**Passed**

## **Revenue Loss from Sales Tax Exemption on Trucks and Semi-Trailers Act 1176**

- **Registration fee increase on trucks; replaces lost revenue and includes commercial vehicle safety program**
- **SB 438 would transfer to general revenue**
- **SB 876 & HB 2026 would repeal exemption**

# 89<sup>th</sup> General Assembly *Review*



**Passed**

## **Bonding for Cities and Counties Act 1241**

➤ **Allows use of 0.5% sales tax turnback for repayment of bonds**

# 89<sup>th</sup> General Assembly *Review*



**Passed**

**Increasing Weight Limit for Hauling  
Animal Feed  
Act 1267**

➤ **Allows 85,000 pounds by permit**

# 89<sup>th</sup> General Assembly *Review*



**Passed**

**Increase Lawful Length of Semi-Trailers  
Act 1092**

➤ **Allows 57 feet by permit; no increase in allowable weights**

# 89<sup>th</sup> General Assembly *Review*



**Passed**

## **Use of Public Funds for Ballot Measures Act 312**

➤ **Prohibits use of public funds to purchase advertising, etc. to support or oppose ballot measures**

# 89<sup>th</sup> General Assembly *Review*



**Passed**

## **Eminent Domain Act 502**

- **Adds cost of attorney fees and other fees to cost of ROW when AHTD makes acquisition through eminent domain**
- **Will result in fewer negotiations, higher cost for ROW**

# 89<sup>th</sup> General Assembly *Review*



**Failed**

**Requiring Oath for Testifying to  
Legislature  
HB 2240**

- **Would apply to state employees**
- **Would not apply to elected officials**
- **Failed the House**

# 89<sup>th</sup> General Assembly Review



**Failed**

**Increasing Length of Semi-Trailers for  
Oilfield Trailers  
SB 1076**

- **Would have allowed 60.5 ft trailers without permit**
- **Passed Senate; not run in House Committee**
- **AHTD was opposed**

# 89<sup>th</sup> General Assembly *Review*



**Failed**

## **Equivalent Tax Rate for Alternative Fuels SB 1075**

- **Would have phased in rate increases for CNG and LPG**
- **Passed the Senate, but failed in House (TWICE)**

# 89<sup>th</sup> General Assembly *Review*



**Failed**

**Public-Private Partnerships  
HB 1251**

- **Would enable legislation**
- **Passed the House but Failed in Senate Committee**

# 89<sup>th</sup> General Assembly *Review*



**Failed**

**2 Constitutional Amendments  
HJR 1003 & SJR 7**

➤ **Both would have significantly impacted the  
Arkansas State Highway Commission**

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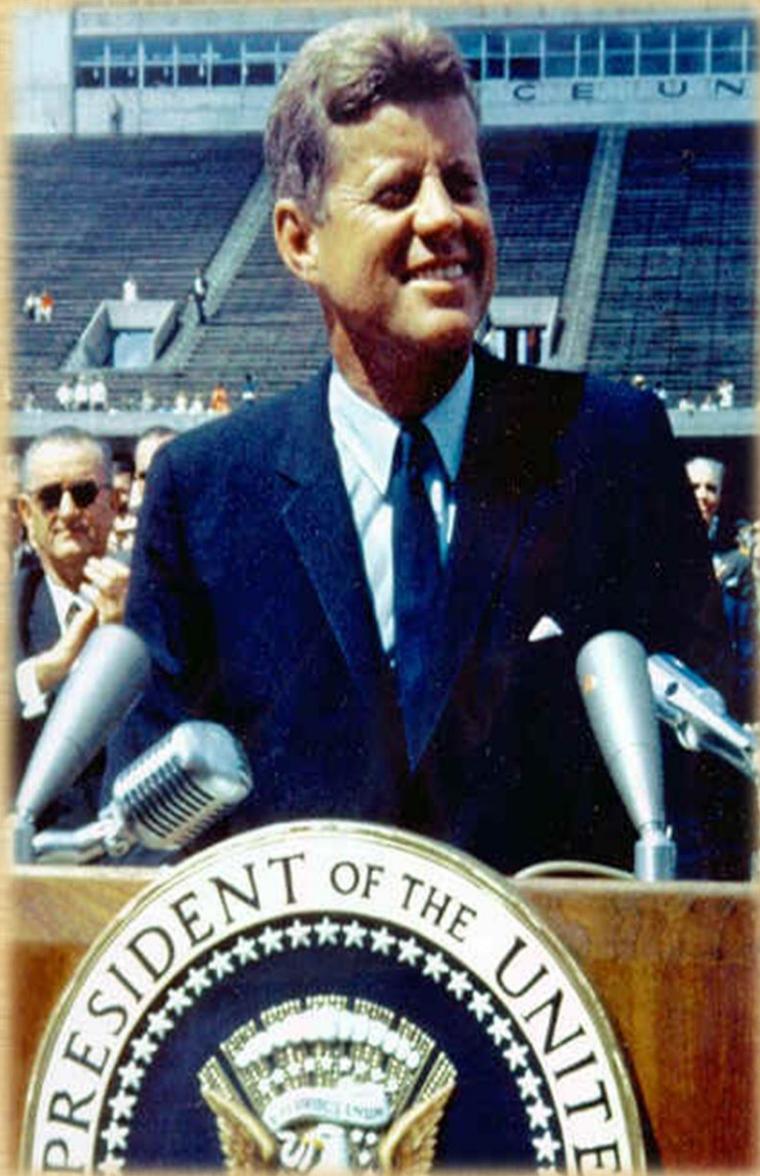
## Failed

**Dedication of Road User Revenue for  
Highways, Roads, and Streets  
HB 1418 & HJR 1008**

- “Trigger” based on sales and use tax revenue
- Dedication phased in over 10 years
- Protect Educational Excellence and Educational Adequacy Trust Funds
- HB 1418 failed in Committee; HJR 1008 heard but not recognized

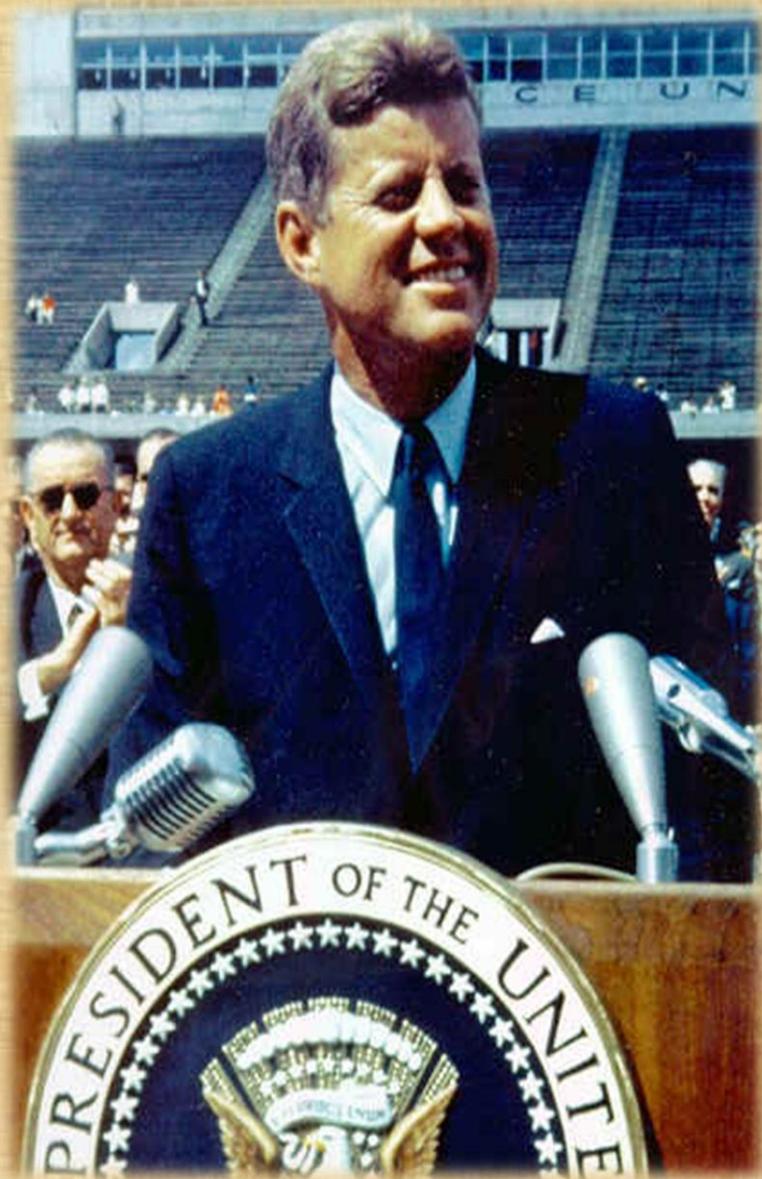






**“We choose to go to the Moon in this decade and do the other things, not because they are easy - but because they are hard! “**

**— President John F. Kennedy  
September 12, 1962**





**“Together, the united forces of our communication and transportation systems are dynamic elements in the very name we bear — United States.**

**Without them, we would be a mere alliance of many separate parts.”**

**— President Dwight D. Eisenhower  
February 22, 1955**



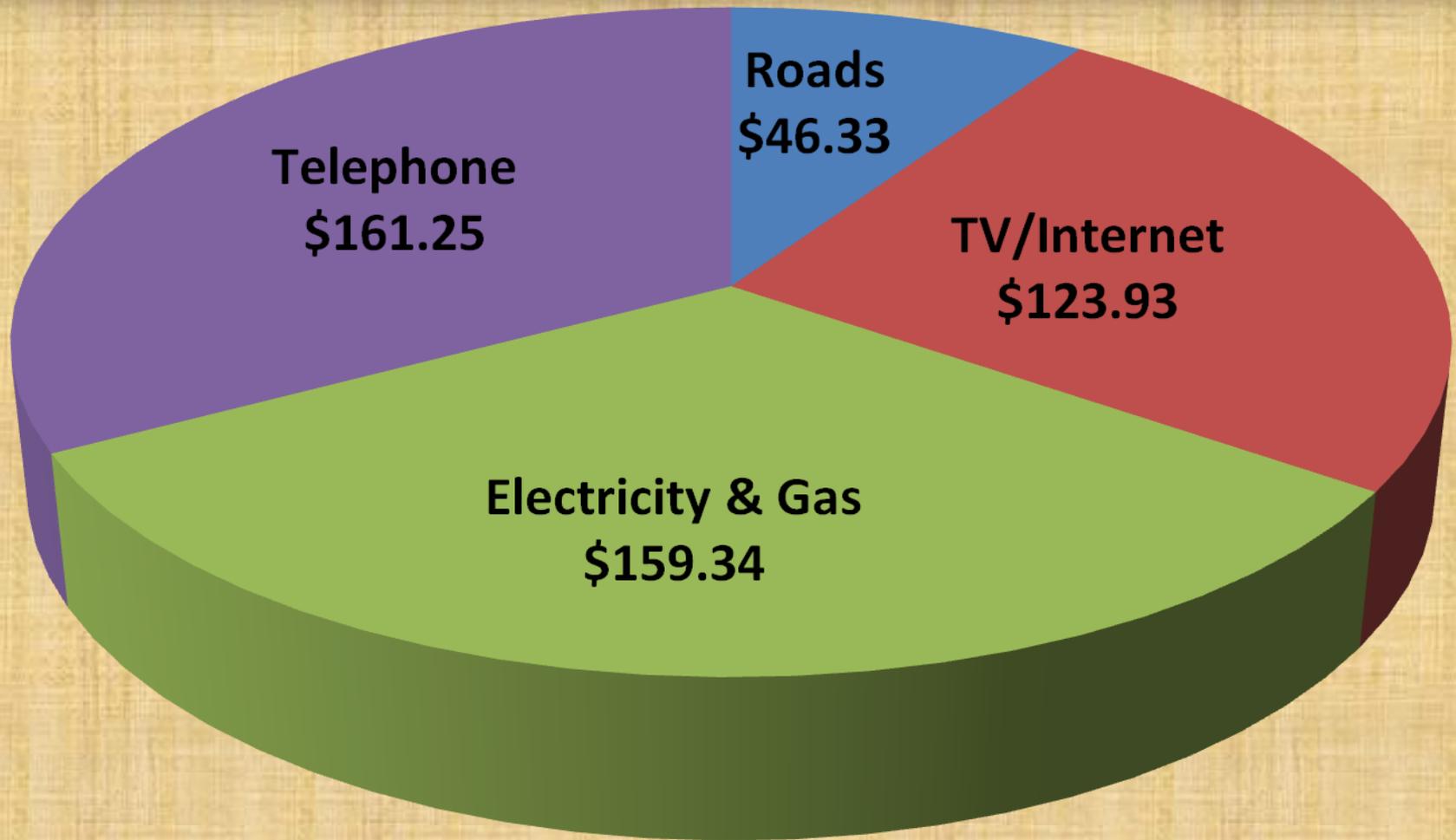
## **Federal Aid Highway Act**

**Signed into law June 29,  
1956**

**\$25 billion**

**Constructed 41,000 miles of  
highways**

# Average Monthly Household Expenditures



# National Survey: Americans Value Good Roads

**78 %**

**Driving a motor vehicle is “Very” or  
“Extremely” important to conducting  
daily lives**



# National Survey: Americans Value Good Roads

**88 %**

**Transportation infrastructure is  
important to maintaining a strong  
economy**



# National Survey: Americans Value Good Roads

**83 %**

**Transportation network is important to  
ensuring national defense and  
emergency response**

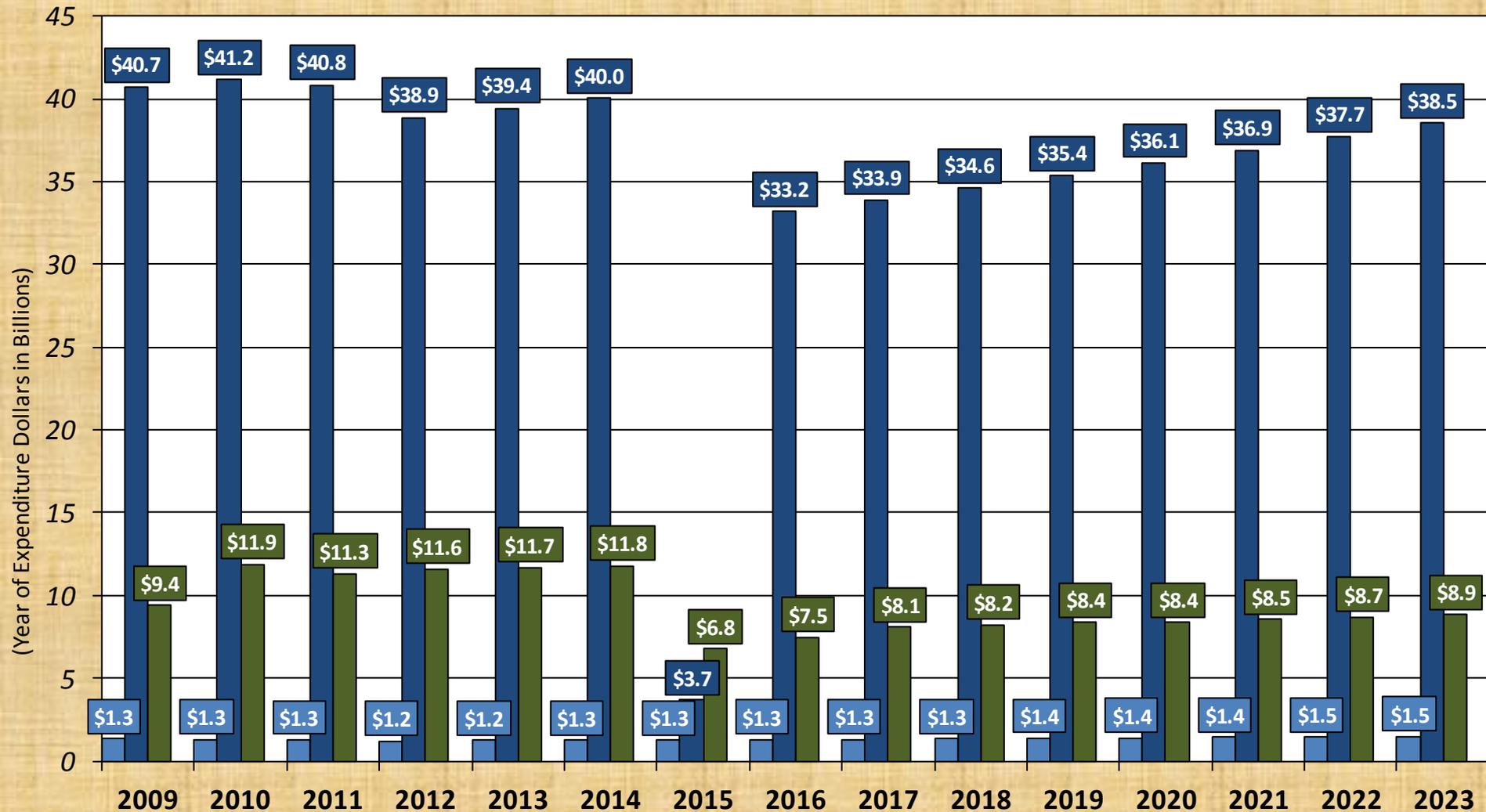


# ESTIMATED PROGRAM FUNDING LEVEL WITH NO NET NEW REVENUES TO HTF

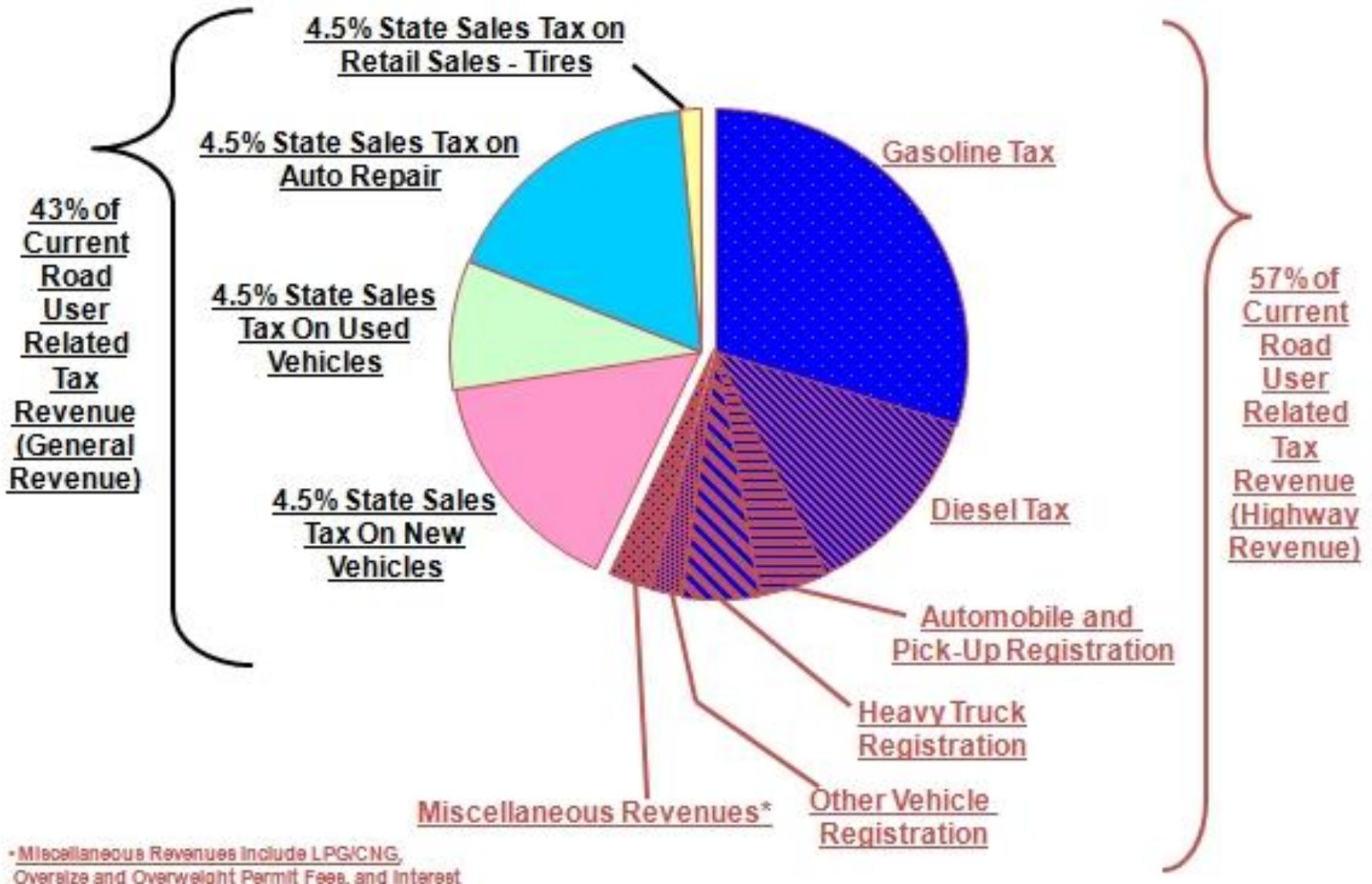
## Federal Highway and Transit Obligations Through 2023

Assumes a minimum balance of \$2 billion for the Highway Account and \$.5 billion for the Mass Transit Account

Highway Safety Federal-aid Highway Transit



# Road User Related State Tax Revenue











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