



The Honorable Tom Cole
Chair
House Committee on Appropriations
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

The funding levels proposed in the FY 2027 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development spending bill, approved May 21 by the subcommittee, would deny communities billions in transportation investment that would improve safety, mobility and quality of life.

The American Road & Transportation Builders Association urges the Appropriations Committee to, at a minimum, maintain current authorized funding levels, including advanced appropriations dollars, to ensure the continuity of state transportation improvement plans.

The proposal advanced by the subcommittee would provide the following cuts to major transportation capital programs:

- Highway funding cut by 14.4% from \$74.5 billion to \$63.8 billion
- Airport capital programs cut by 55.4% from \$9.57 billion to \$4.27 billion
- Transit investment cut by 21% from \$20.8 billion to \$16.35 billion

Maintaining investments in transportation in the FY 2027 appropriations process is a particularly critical signal while the new surface transportation authorization is actively being developed by Congress. Investing in roads, bridges and transit systems is a federal responsibility, and the significant cuts approved by the subcommittee would harm every state, the workforce and the broader economy.

We look forward to working with you to ensure federal support for your states' transportation infrastructure needs are met.

Sincerely,

David Bauer
President & CEO