#### Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Overview



Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)

## FHWA Goals for BIL Investment



- Improve safety for road users (particularly vulnerable users)
- Improve the conditions of bridge assets
- Promote sustainability and resilience to the impacts of climate change
- Reconnect communities and involve disadvantaged and rural communities in project planning



## Territorial Programs Overseen by FHWA

- Territorial Highway Program (THP)
  - Described in 23 U.S. Code § 165
  - Administered by territorial Departments of Public Works
- Grants established in the BIL:
  - Section 11401 Grants for Charging and Fueling Infrastructure
  - Section 21201 National Infrastructure Project Assistance ("Megaprojects" program)
  - Section 21202 Local and Regional Project Assistance ("RAISE" program)



### FHWA and Territorial Departments of Public Work

#### TERRITORIAL HIGHWAY PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION AND STEWARDSHIP AGREEMENT

Federal Highway Administration - Hawaii Federal-Aid Division

and the

Government of Guam

We support the concept of this Stewardship Agreement and hereby direct that the oversight of the Federal-aid highway program be carried out in the spirit of true partnership, as described herein.

SIGNATURES:

July 21, 2014 GREGORY G. NADEAU

DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR Federal Highway Administration Date

EDWARD CALVO, GOVERNOR Government of Guam

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- FHWA oversees the Pacific territories out of the Honolulu Division Office and USVI out of the Puerto Rico Division Office
- Departments of Public Works (DPWs) are responsible for choosing projects to be funded as part of the THP



# Territorial Highway Program (THP)

- Annual allocation of funding to construct and improve bridges, roads, and necessary inter-island connectors
  - Routes are designated by the Governor or chief executive officer of each territory and approved by the Secretary of Transportation.
  - THP funding previously established under the FAST Act
  - THP FY22-FY26 funding established under the BIL
- Each territory receives a percentage of the overall THP funding levels
  - 10% each to American Samoa and CNMI, 40% each to Guam and USVI



# Territorial Highway Program (THP)

	FAST Act (extension)	Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)				
Fiscal year (FY)	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
American Samoa	\$4.2M	\$4.6M	\$4.7M	\$4.8M	\$4.9M	\$5.0M
CNMI	\$4.2M	\$4.6M	\$4.7M	\$4.8M	\$4.9M	\$5.0M
Guam	\$16.8M	\$18.4M	\$18.8M	\$19.2M	\$19.6M	\$20M
USVI	\$16.8M	\$18.4M	\$18.8M	\$19.2M	\$19.6M	\$20M
Territorial Highway Program	\$42 M	\$46 M	\$47 M	\$48 M	\$49 M	\$50 M

# Grants for Charging and Fueling Infrastructure

- Section 11401 of the BIL
- New program in the BIL
- Deploy publicly accessible vehicle charging infrastructure along alternative fuel corridors
- Projects should:
  - Reduce greenhouse gas emissions
  - Expand or fill gaps in access to publicly accessible vehicle charging infrastructure
- Maximum grant allowance of \$15M
- BIL states that the Federal share of the cost of a project shall not exceed 80% of the total project cost but this will be clarified in the notice of funding opportunity





# Grants for Charging and Fueling Infrastructure

- Territories need to establish alternative fuel corridors to apply for the grant
  - FHWA reviews proposed alternative fuel corridors annually
  - Corridors are composed of at least two stations
  - 2022 nominations for corridors are due May 13, 2022
  - For more information: <a href="https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/alternative-fuel-corridors/">https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/alternative-fuel-corridors/</a>
- May cost share with private entity to install charging infrastructure
- Revenue from a cost-sharing agreement under may only use that revenue for a project applicable for the grant





# National Infrastructure Project Assistance (Megaproject)



- Section 21201 of the BIL
- New Program in the BIL
- Projects should:
  - Limit greenhouse gas emissions and address climate change impacts
  - Address environmental justice, particularly for communities (including rural communities) that may disproportionately experience consequences from climate change and other pollutants.
  - Proactively address equity and barriers to opportunity, including automobile dependence as a form of barrier, or redress prior inequities and barriers to opportunity.



# National Infrastructure Project Assistance (Megaproject)

- \$5 billion for the Mega program for the period of FY 2022 through 2026
- Grant can cover 60 percent of future total eligible project costs
  - The Federal share of the cost of a project carried out with a grant under this subsection shall not exceed 80 percent of the total project cost.
- Secured loans repaid with local funds may be used as local contributions
- May be multiyear or single year grants
- Notice of Funding Opportunity sent out last week and applications are due on May 23, 2022
  - For more information: <u>https://www.transportation.gov/grants/multimodal-project-discretionary-grant-notice-funding-opportunity</u>



# Local and Regional Project Assistance (RAISE)

- Section 21202 of the BIL
- Continuation of existing program but territories are eligible under the BIL
- Eligible project must:
  - Improve safety
  - Improve environmental sustainability
  - Improve the quality of life of rural areas or urbanized areas
  - Increase economic competitiveness and opportunity, including increasing tourism opportunities
  - Contribute to a state of good repair
  - Improve mobility and community connectivity



# Local and Regional Project Assistance (RAISE)

- Territories are classified as rural
  - Rural projects must be at least \$1M
  - Project may not exceed \$25M
  - Federal Share is limited to 80 percent **BUT** the Federal share of the cost of an eligible project carried out in a rural area, a historically disadvantaged community, or an area of persistent poverty using a grant under this subsection may exceed 80 percent, at the discretion of the Secretary
- Notice of Funding Opportunity sent out earlier this month and applications are due on April 14, 2022
  - For more information: <a href="https://www.transportation.gov/RAISEgrants">https://www.transportation.gov/RAISEgrants</a>



Thank you!

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