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## Thinking About Transportation in a New Way

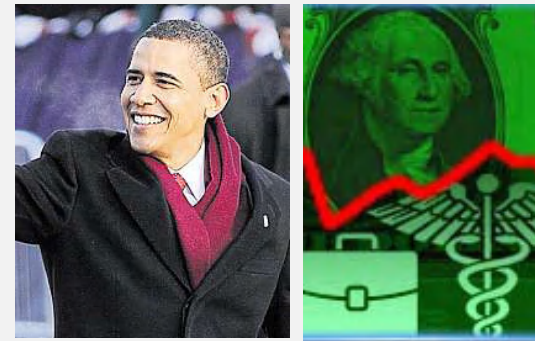
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# Moving Ohio into a Prosperous New World

## The World is changing...

In just the past month, we have seen  
a new President face new economic challenges..



..so to stay competitive, Ohio will turn to  
the advice of a “People’s Task Force,”  
the leadership of Governor Strickland,  
and the help of a Federal Stimulus.

## ...and Ohio must change with it



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## Ohio's Transportation Priorities Task Force



## The People's Task Force

A first-of-its kind “Transportation Conversation”  
to represent all of Ohio  
launched in April 2008



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### Charged by Governor Strickland:

“This task force is not an exercise in doing a little more or a little less of what we’ve always done. It’s an opportunity for you to ask what should be done or could be done.”





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## Ohio's Transportation Priorities Task Force



### Task Force Goal :

“Make Ohio a leader in the national and global economies by creating a fully-integrated, well-managed transportation system that drives business growth and prosperity, creates good jobs, makes our communities places people are proud to call home, and allows Ohioans to get where they want to go safely and in an environmentally sound way.”



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2010-2011 State Transportation Budget

## Building upon a Strong Foundation



## “Game Changing” Strategies for Ohio:

- Create affordable choices by investing in fully developed, safe and reliable multi-modal transportation networks
- Streamline policy making and demand collaboration among public agencies and private-sector partners
- Use new technologies to improve mobility and spur economic growth in energy-efficient and environmentally sound ways
- Develop sustainable revenue sources for the entire transportation system



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### Continuing the “Transportation Conversation”:

Task Force members become the state’s newest “Transportation Champions,” sharing the recommendations of this report.

Recommendations also aided the Governor - along with ODOT - in budget discussions and future investment prioritization



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## 2010-2011 Transportation Budget

### Fulfilling the Promises of 2008-2009

- Delivery of \$1.44 billion in construction in FY'08 and \$1.65 billion in FY'09
- Adoption of 2008-2009 Business Plan putting ODOT on the path toward fiscal responsibility, multi-modal integration, economic growth, and innovative partnership
- Bettering ODOT's business practices in FY 2008:
  - Reduction of Unbid Emergency Contracts \$13 million saved
  - Reduction of Change Orders on Construction \$46 million saved
  - Holding Contractors Accountable \$25 million recovered
  - Restrictions on Equipment purchases \$10.9 million saved
  - District savings carried Forward into FY 2009 \$42 million carried forward
  - Central Office savings carried Forward into FY 2009 \$32 million carried forward



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## 2010-2011 Transportation Budget

### Fulfilling the Promises of 2008-2009

- Establishment of an effective working relationship with the Ohio Inspector General to protect the taxpayer, improve operations, and act against employees and businesses that violate the public trust
- Adoption of new selection criteria with the Transportation Review Advisory Council to forward best major new projects to construction
- Commitment to be as least disruptive as possible to TRAC Tier I projects closest to construction



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2010-2011 Transportation Budget

Fulfilling the Promises of 2008-2009



## Investment Prioritization/Selection Criteria:

- Evenly measures projects of various modes (highways, passenger rail, transit, and freight)
- Uses a benefit/cost ratio to measure the full public benefit
- Gauges air quality impacts with new environmental category
- Scores whether projects reclaim brownfields and improve access to job centers and job ready sites with a modified economic development category.
- Emphasizes need for land use planning and "Smart Growth" strategies
- Rewards communities who partner with state on investments in transportation



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## 2010-2011 Transportation Budget

### Highlights



Invest \$3.2 Billion in FY 2010 and \$2.8 Billion in FY 2011 in transportation projects and programs.



Restore Passenger Rail Service connecting our three largest cities and plan for a high speed rail that will link Ohio to the Nation.



Allow local governments to create Transportation Innovation Authorities (TIAs) to partner on important roadway, public transit, passenger rail, and intermodal commerce projects.



Permit ODOT and TIAs the option of tolling transportation projects as a new tool to fund important regional and state transportation needs.



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### Highlights



Provide a New Generation of Funding into our State Infrastructure Bank to partner with TIAs on roadway, public transit, passenger rail, and intermodal commerce projects.



Protect Ohio drivers and passengers with a Primary Seatbelt law.



Grant \$20 million to local authorities for Green Transit Vehicles.



Authorize ODOT to enter into Innovative and Energy Enterprise Partnerships on energy, operational, and transportation efforts.



Support multi-modal planning, partnership research, and transportation project development.





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## Federal Infrastructure Stimulus



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## Federal Infrastructure Stimulus

Plan approved by the House includes \$819 billion in spending and tax cuts, including:

**\$103 billion** to fund construction projects and repairs on highways, bridges, mass transit, federal buildings, water

We are still awaiting the final details, but until then we will be...

working with our Washington delegation to secure additional funding...

working with our state's MPOs to make sure they are ready for this historic level of work...

and working with the Governor's Office to refine our statewide strategy and prioritize those projects that best advance the needs of all of Ohio



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## Federal Infrastructure Stimulus

### ODOT Efforts:

Prior to the legislation, ODOT assembled more than \$7 billion in multi-modal projects and initiatives, including

- \$5.2 billion for Construction of Major New, roadway, bridge, facilities projects
- \$1.6 billion for passenger and freight rail, public transit, air and water port, bike and pedestrian projects
- More than \$212 million for engineering, planning and design work
- \$170 million for State Infrastructure Bank



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## Federal Infrastructure Stimulus

### Status Report:

Current estimates are that Ohio will receive \$1.2 billion in funds and **ODOT will direct \$650-\$850 million.**

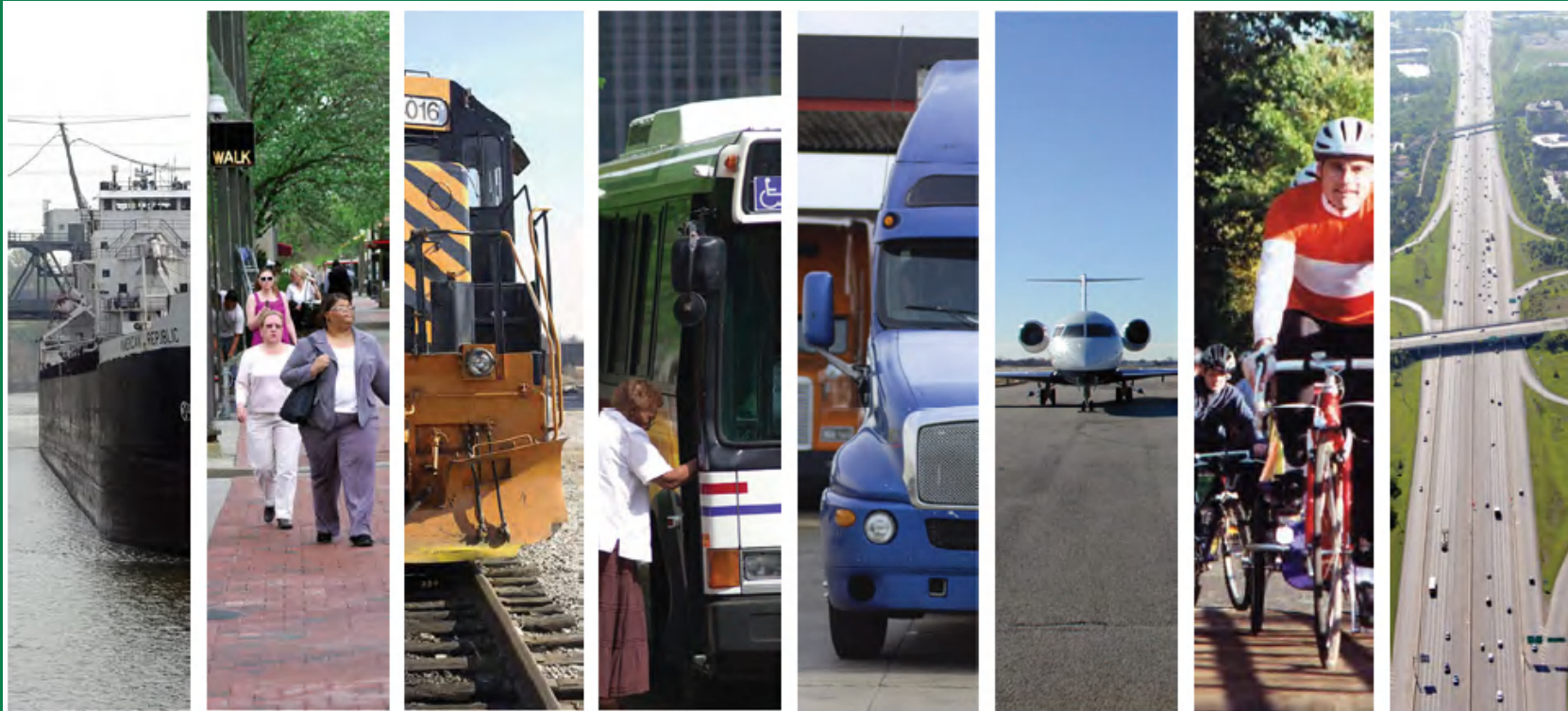
Important for Ohio to continue fight for:

- 100% federal, flexible funds
- Reasonable spending guidelines
- Funds can be used on current and new projects
- Funds can be used for any phase of project development
- Streamlined regulation oversight and reporting requirements
- Change Ohio's design/build limits
- Keep Ohio's fair share in Ohio



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Embracing Change – It starts with Me!



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Partnerships – We're in this Together!



Safety and Mobility



Multi-Modal Choices for People and Freight



Jobs, Prosperity, Vibrant Cities



Cleaner Air and a Better Environment



Increased Public/Private Investment





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