



The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act Delivers for New Mexico

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act is the largest long-term investment in our infrastructure and competitiveness in nearly a century. For decades, infrastructure in New Mexico has suffered from a systemic lack of investment. The historic Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act will make life better for millions of New Mexico residents, create a generation of good-paying union jobs and economic growth, and position the United States to win the 21st century.

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act invests over \$3.7 billion in New Mexico to:

- **Create good-paying jobs.** The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act will create good-paying jobs and invest in American workers and communities – rebuilding our infrastructure while helping rebuild the middle class. The investments from the bill will add, on average, around 2 million jobs per year over the course of the decade, while accelerating America’s path to full employment and increasing labor force participation.
- **Make the largest dedicated bridge investment in America’s bridges since the construction of the interstate highway system.** The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act will address the national crisis of crumbling road and bridge infrastructure. In New Mexico, over 200 bridges and almost 4,000 miles of highway are in poor condition, resulting in an almost \$800 cost per driver per year. This bill will give New Mexico \$2.5 billion for highway improvement and \$225 million for bridge replacement and repairs over five years.
- **Connect New Mexicans to reliable high-speed internet.** The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act ensures every American has access to reliable high-speed internet. Today, 10.7% of New Mexicans live in areas without broadband infrastructure, while 21% of New Mexicans don’t have access to affordable internet. The Infrastructure Investments and Jobs Act will invest at least \$100 million in New Mexico to provide broadband coverage statewide, including providing new access to nearly 224,000 New Mexicans. In addition, 38.1% of New Mexicans will be eligible for the Affordability Connectivity Benefit, which will help low-income families afford internet access.

- **Increase access to clean drinking water in rural and Tribal communities.** The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act makes the largest investment in clean drinking water and wastewater infrastructure in American history, delivering clean water to millions of families. Too many communities in New Mexico lack access to clean drinking water options. The bill will invest \$355 million in New Mexico's water infrastructure in a step forward towards securing clean, safe drinking water as a right for all communities.
- **Maintain and modernize New Mexico's airports.** The United States built modern aviation, but our airports lag far behind our competitors. The legislation will provide New Mexico's airports approximately \$90 million for infrastructure development.
- **Make the largest federal investment in public transit ever.** The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act invests \$39 billion nationwide to modernize transit and improve accessibility for the elderly and people with disabilities. New Mexicans who take public transportation spend an extra 94.3% of their time commuting, with 20% of the states transit vehicles past their useful life. The bill will invest \$366 million in New Mexico's public transportation options statewide.
- **Increase access to Electric Vehicle chargers.** The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act is the first-ever national investment in EV charging infrastructure in the United States. The bill will provide New Mexico with \$38 million in funding to establish an EV charging network and meet our national climate goals.
- **Invest in resilient and cybersecure infrastructure.** The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act deal makes our communities safer and our infrastructure more resilient to the impacts of climate change and cyberattacks, with an investment of over \$50 billion nationwide. Over the past decade, New Mexico has experienced 14 extreme weather events, costing the state \$5 billion in damages. The bill will invest \$38 million in New Mexico to protect against wildfires and \$13 million to guard against cyberattacks. The state will also benefit from a historic \$3.5 billion national investment in weatherization to reduce energy costs for families.