



## Proposed Transportation Reauthorization Principles for Major Metros

1. Provide sufficient resources to meet the nation's transportation infrastructure needs, including significant new resources focused on improving mobility in the nation's metropolitan regions. The federal program should incentivize states and regions to raise and spend funds locally through a wide menu of options, including the ability to toll existing facilities and through public-private partnerships.
2. Create a vision for a federal role in transportation that includes a national freight policy with dedicated funding and corridors of national significance.
3. Reduce the number of program categories and make funding programs mode-neutral in order to provide maximum flexibility in solving regional problems.
4. Streamline the project development and delivery processes by building on the MPO planning process and creating direct links to NEPA and project development.
5. In major metropolitan areas, transportation plans should be developed in the context of comprehensive regional plans that include land use, housing, economic development, natural resources, energy and climate change, and promote livable communities.
6. Create a Metropolitan Mobility Program with funds that are in addition to existing funding programs. MPOs should have programming authority for these funds that would be allocated to large metropolitan areas.
7. Large MPOs shall also develop plans and programs for the newly established Freight Improvement Program, and Projects of National Significance. These funds should also be in addition to existing funding programs.