



## **Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Info Sheet**

The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law focuses on updating rural roads, bridges, railways, and airports - all helping to reduce carbon pollution. In addition, funding is being directed towards improving access to clean drinking water and affordable high speed internet in rural areas, while also modernizing wastewater and stormwater infrastructure.

### **How does this affect Iowans?**

#### **Community Resilience**

- Iowa has experienced 32 extreme weather events to date - costing the state nearly \$50 billion. Funding is providing improvements to create a more resilient infrastructure against extreme weather events and other hazards, such as wildfires, heat waves, floods, increased power outages, and droughts.

#### **Broadband Expansion**

- It is estimated that nearly 25% of Iowans currently don't have internet access or active subscriptions. This law will help provide access statewide, while also offering discounts on energy bills.

#### **Clean Drinking Water**

- Available funding will address dangerous chemicals in our water systems, while also replacing lead service lines that currently connect to around 10 million households in the U.S.

#### **Roads and Bridges**

- Iowa currently has 4,571 bridges and more than 403 miles of highway listed in faulty condition. Federal funding from this law will help rebuild our roads.

#### **Clean & Affordable Electricity**

- Upgrades to our power infrastructure, that will increase resiliency, while also providing new transmission lines aimed to expand access.
- Investments in clean energy technologies, such as advanced nuclear, hydrogen, and carbon capture.
- Funding for weatherization of homes that will improve energy efficiency and decrease energy.

#### **Legacy Pollution Cleanup**

- Funding for projects working to clean up former industrial, chemical, and energy sites that are responsible for leaking harmful pollutants and chemicals in our communities. Iowa is receiving funding for abandoned orphan oil and gas wells, as well as mine lands.

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