

TRANSPORTATION

The following information about funding included in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 was compiled by the Office of Congressman Peter Welch. This document is intended to provide the public with basic information of potential federal assistance and funding opportunities. Those

interested in these or similar programs should contact the appropriate federal and state agencies for detailed information.

Please note: Not all applicable programs are included below; the following information is subject to change; and additional requirements, restrictions and guidance may apply.

Highway Improvement Programs

\$27.5 billion was included for Highway Infrastructure Investment

Vermont

Administrator: Vermont Agency of Transportation

Purpose: For transportation projects including resurfacing and pavement preservation projects

Description: Funds are distributed by formula, with a portion of the funds within each state based on population

Website: www.aot.state.vt.us

Phone: (802) 828-2657

Transit Capital Assistance

\$6.9 billion was included for transit capital assistance grants

Vermont

Administrator: Vermont Agency of Transportation

Type: For investments in public transportation

Description: These funds will be used to purchase buses and equipment needed to provide public transit

Website: www.aot.state.vt.us
Phone: (802) 828-2657

Reference: 49 USCS § 5307

Capital Investments Grants (New Starts & Small Starts)

\$750 million was included for capital investment grants

Agency: Federal Transit Administration

US Department of Transportation

Type: Distributed on a discretionary basis for New Starts and Small Starts projects that

Purpose: For light rail lines, rapid rail (heavy rail), commuter rail, automated fixed guideway

Website: http://www.fta.dot.gov/funding/grants/grants_financing_3590.html

Webform: <http://ftawebprod.fta.dot.gov/ContactUsTool/Public/NewRequest.aspx>

Phone: (202) 366-4020 (FTA Office of Program Management)

Reference: 29 USCS § 5309

Transit Capital Assistance - Discretionary Grants

\$100 million was included for transit capital assistance grants

Agency: Federal Transit Administration

Description: Discretionary grants to public transit agencies to improve energy efficiency, and

Website: www.fta.dot.gov

Webform: <http://ftawebprod.fta.dot.gov/ContactUsTool/Public/NewRequest.aspx>

Phone: (202) 366-4020 (FTA Office of Program Management)

National Surface Transportation System - Discretionary Grants

\$1.5 billion was included for

Agency: U.S.
Description: Discretionary grants to be awarded
Website: <http://www.dot.gov/>
Phone: (202) 366-4000 (General Information)

Capital Assistance for High Speed Rail and Intercity Passenger Rail
\$8 billion was included for Capital Assistance to States and the High Speed Rail Service program

Agency: Federal Railroad Administration
U.S. Department of Transportation
Description: The Capital Assistance to States—Intercity Passenger Rail Service program
Website: www.fra.dot.gov
<http://www.fra.dot.gov/us/content/1954>
Phone: (202) 366-4000 (General Information)

Capital Grants to Amtrak
\$1.3 billion included for capital grants to Amtrak

Agency: Federal Railroad Administration
U.S. Department of Transportation
Provision: Funds cannot be used for Amtrak's operating losses.
Purpose: To maintain and improve the national system of Intercity passenger rail
VT Profile: <http://www.amtrak.com/pdf/factsheets/VERMONT08.pdf>
Website: www.fra.dot.gov
<http://www.fra.dot.gov/us/content/30>
Phone: (202) 366-4000 (General Information)

Federal Aviation Administration - Competitive Grants to airports for infrastructure improvement
\$1.1 billion was included for FAA infrastructure improvement grants

Agency: Federal Aviation Administration
Type: Competitive grants
Purpose: Grants to airports who are part of the National Plan of Integrated Airport Development
Website: <http://www.faa.gov/recovery/>
Phone: (202) 267-3831

Federal Aviation Administration -- Competitive Grants to improve power systems
\$200 million was included for FAA power systems improvement grants

Agency: Federal Aviation Administration
Type: Competitive grants
Purpose: Upgrade the FAA's power system -- \$50 million, modernize aging air traffic control equipment

Website: <http://www.faa.gov/recovery/>
Phone: (202) 267-3831

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