

TDA Budget Update #1 3/1/2019

Yesterday, the governor released his budget proposal. TDA staff is still working through the details, but here is what we know:

Revenue/Bonding

The budget proposal includes \$608 million in new revenue.

	FY20	FY21	Biennial Total
Increase in Motor Fuel 8 cents effective 10/1/2019, with indexing	\$214,072,593	\$312,483,888	\$526,556,481
Increase in Heavy Truck Fees (27%)	15,579,818	20,773,090	36,352,908
Hybrid Fee Statutory Fix*	3,070,200	6,675,100	9,745,300
\$10 Title Fee Increase	15,314,123	20,418,803	35,732,926
New Revenue	248,036,734	360,350,881	608,387,615

^{*}Allows WisDOT to collect fee created in the 2017-19 budget on hybrid vehicles.

- After the elimination of an ongoing General Fund transfer, there would be \$520 million of net new revenue available.
- And \$338 million in bonding, the lowest level in almost 20 years. With the
 combination of increased revenue and lower debt, the administration projects only
 10 cents of every user fee dollar going to debt service by 2031 versus
 approximately 20% today.

Proposed Program Details

Highway Program

- \$320 million in additional funding for the State Highway Rehabilitation Program.
- Finish the Zoo Interchange.
- Enumerate I-43, improving safety and adding a lane in Milwaukee and Ozaukee counties.

Local Aids

- Increase the Local Road Improvement Program by \$1.9 million over the biennium.
- Up General Transportation Aids by 10%, more than \$66 million over the biennium.
- 10% increase in General Transit Aids, \$11 million annually, and \$10 million in Transit Capital Assistance.
- Increase funding for Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Specialized Transportation Aids by \$3 million a year.

Airports, Ports and Rail

- \$1 million a year for airports to implement Next Generation Air Traffic Control Systems.
- \$30 million in transportation-fund general obligation bonding for freight railroad preservation.
- \$52 million in support for the Harbor Assistance Program, \$39 million of which is transportation-fund general obligation bonding.
- \$45 million in general fund-supported general obligation bonding for passenger rail improvements.

Policy

• Eliminate the state's minimum markup on motor fuel, which the administration estimates will save Wisconsinites 14 cents/per gallon.

TDA's Statement on the Budget

Transportation Development Association Executive Director Debby Jackson released the following statement on Governor Evers' budget address:

"The Governor's budget proposal acknowledges Wisconsin's transportation infrastructure is in rough shape and in desperate need of resources just to prevent further deterioration of conditions.

"Wisconsinites have been calling on lawmakers to "Just Fix It" for years. TDA's members are hopeful this is the first step toward coming to a bipartisan consensus on a long-term, sustainable and responsible plan."





