

Wisconsin Laborers' District Council: Statement on President Biden signing the Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act

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DeForest, WI – The Wisconsin Laborers' District Council today celebrated President Biden signing the historic bipartisan infrastructure bill – The Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act. This legislation will make transformative investments in Wisconsin's infrastructure, such as roads and bridges, clean drinking water, energy systems, and broadband all while creating thousands of good union jobs.

"The passage of this bill wasn't easy, but we are thankful to all of those who stood with Wisconsin Laborers and all working families to get this done," said John Schmitt, President/Business Manager of the Wisconsin Laborers' District Council. "President Biden's agenda to help working families was clear in this legislation, and once again he proved that he's a union man who supports workers."

"On top of President Biden helping get this legislation across the finish line, our union also thanks Senator Tammy Baldwin, Representative Mark Pocan, Representative Ron Kind, and Representative Gwen Moore for their steadfast support and standing shoulder to shoulder with Wisconsin workers."

The now passed Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act is expected to create over 100,000 good paying jobs and is the single largest investment ever in both roads and bridges and clean drinking water. Wisconsin is expected to receive the following over the next 5 years:

- \$5.2 Billion for Highways

- \$225 Million for Bridge Repair and Replacement
- \$841 Million for Water Infrastructure
- \$100 Million in a Minimum Allocation for Broadband Coverage
- \$198 Million for Airport Infrastructure

The Wisconsin Laborers' District Council is an affiliation of five Laborer local unions, representing nearly 9,000 construction craft laborers throughout Wisconsin. The Laborers are the most diverse trade in the construction industry servicing employers in transportation infrastructure, building, sewer and water, utility distribution, demolition, asbestos removal and related sectors.