

U.S. Sen. Baldwin: Focuses on her support for investments in Wisconsin ports, supply chains, and rebuilding infrastructure

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BROWN COUNTY – Today, U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin attended the Port Symposium in Ashwaubenon and then went to De Pere where she highlighted \$5 million in federal funding she brought home to Wisconsin for the South Bridge Regional Connector Project in Brown County.

At the annual Port Symposium conference in Ashwaubenon, Baldwin discussed the major investments the Infrastructure Law made in our ports. The infrastructure legislation Baldwin voted for and President Biden signed into law makes a \$2.25 billion investment in the Port Infrastructure Development Program to fund the modernization and expansion of U.S. ports to remove supply chain bottlenecks, ensure long-term competitiveness, resilience, and sustainability, while reducing impacts to the environment and neighboring communities. In total, nearly \$17 billion will be invested by the Infrastructure Law in our ports and waterways through the Department of Transportation, Army Corps of Engineers and Coast Guard.

In addition, Senator Baldwin highlighted her work to secure funding for an additional Great Lakes Icebreaker to support our supply chains and the Made in Wisconsin economy.

Baldwin speaking at the Port Symposium

Senator Baldwin also joined Brown County Executive Troy Streckenbach, De Pere

Mayor James Boyd, local officials, and members of the Oneida Nation at De Pere City Hall to highlight \$5 million in federal funding she brought home to Wisconsin for the South Bridge Regional Connector Project. The funding will be used to design and construct a new bridge over the Fox River. The bridge will create a direct connection between large businesses, industrial parks, Interstate 41 and other highways, while extending high-speed broadband access to rural portions of Brown County. With increased traffic over the Fox River in De Pere and anticipated growth in southern Brown County, community leaders expressed that an additional crossing over the Fox River is needed. The new bridge will allow the new business parks being built on either side of Interstate 41 to avoid the city of Green Bay for transportation of goods, allowing goods to get to market more efficiently and help reduce costs for consumers.

Baldwin with Mayor Boyd and Brown County Executive Streckenbach