NORTH DAKOTA

Current Transportation Condition:

- 14% of major roads are in poor condition
  - Costing motorists $236m a year - $470 per motorist
  - Total of 148 people died on state highways in 2013
- Vehicle travel on ND’s highways has increased by 71% from 1990-2013, while the population grew by 10 percent.
- 6% of ND’s major highways are congested
  - Traffic congestion costs American motorists $121b a year in wasted time and fuel

Commerce:

- 70% of the $27b in commodities delivered annually from sites in ND is transported by trucks on the state’s highways.

Need for Federal Investment

- 78% Federal share of ND Highway Capital Program
- National Interstate Backlog of $185.24b on 47,575 miles of interstate.
  - National Highway System (NHS) backlog of $424.5b on 227,224 miles of the NHS.

FAST Act — What this does for North Dakota

Prioritizing Bridge Reconstruction and Safety:

- Expands funding eligibilities to bridges off the NHS in order to reach the growing number of deteriorating bridges:
  - ND’s 701 structurally deficient bridges – 21.3% are structurally deficient or functionally obsolete

Improving Commerce:

- Over the life of the bill (FY2016-FY2020), ND will receive $39,667,849 in addition to growth of the existing programs for freight.

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• This new formula-based Freight Program will ensure federal dollars for the state by prioritizing spending on interstate for projects in the national economic interest.
• In addition to the National Freight Program, ND, through the Nationally Significant Freight and Highway Projects (NSFHP), a $4.5 billion discretionary grant program, will be able to compete for funding to address major projects of high importance to a community, a region, or the country. This will provide much needed funding for projects that are too big to get off the ground due to constraints on traditional funding. Furthermore, NSFHP has a rural set-aside and equitable geographic distribution of funds. This will ensure a balance of where federal dollars are directed, making sure rural projects see the light of day as well as the major projects that will greatly benefit the national economy.

**Long-term 5 year Certainty:**
• Total share over 5 years of the FAST Act: $1,390,549,368 that the state would not get otherwise.
• 159 projects at risk without federal investment\(^\text{11}\)
• Major State Projects that can benefit from the FAST Act:
  o Construction on US Highway 2
  o Construction on Interstate 29 near Argusville

• FAST delivers 5 years of certainty. 36 short term extensions since SAFETEA-LU have impeded on ND’s ability to properly plan and budget for transportation projects.
• Building off NEPA reforms accomplished in MAP-21, FAST is cutting red tape and accelerating project delivery to increase ND’s ability to efficiently finish projects.
• FAST gives ND the ability to prepare for the next 50 years. With a focus on innovation, ND can better deploy technology to improve the state transportation network.

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