



September 23, 2020

The Honorable Mitch McConnell
Majority Leader
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Speaker
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Charles Schumer
Democratic Leader
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Kevin McCarthy
Republican Leader
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Majority Leader McConnell, Speaker Pelosi, Democratic Leader Schumer, and Republican Leader McCarthy:

On behalf of the nation’s state and local government elected and appointed officials, we urge Congress to pass a turnkey, one-year extension of the current surface transportation law, Fixing America’s Surface Transportation (FAST) Act, with increased investment levels, while also ensuring the solvency of the Highway Trust Fund for the duration of the extension.

As the owners and operators of 97% of the nation’s interconnected surface transportation systems, state and local governments know the importance of funding certainty for our country’s infrastructure. We appreciate and recognize the efforts of both United States Senate and United States House of Representatives to enact long-term reauthorizations of the FAST Act and look forward to continuing this work later this year. However, with the expiration of the FAST Act one week away, jobs, infrastructure projects and the safe and timely movement of freight are now at risk.

Thank you for your leadership in addressing these critical issues. We look forward to working with you to approve such legislation before September 30. Let us get it done together.

Sincerely,

National Governors Association
National Conference of State Legislatures
National League of Cities
United States Conference of Mayors
National Association of Counties
The Council of State Governments
International City/County Management Association