



The Status of the Highway Trust Fund and Reauthorization of MAP-21

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Reauthorization Briefing



- Who is AMPO?
- Status of the Highway Trust Fund (HTF)
- Reauthorization
- Likely next steps

Who is AMPO?

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- AMPO is the transportation advocate for metropolitan regions and is committed to enhancing MPOs' abilities to improve metropolitan transportation systems
 - 402 (+/-) MPOs in the US
 - 50,000- 200,000 population – 226 (+/- due to designation status)
 - 200-500 k population - 92 MPOs
 - 500k-1M population - 40 MPOs
 - 1M+population - 44 MPOs
- Coordinating with Executive Branch agencies (FTA, FHWA, EPA, etc.)
- Providing Congress policy recommendations
- Monitor and track legislation and regulations impacting MPOs
- Partnering and working with other transportation organizations (American Public Transportation Association, American Assoc. of State Highways and Transportation Officials, National Assoc. of Regional Councils, National League of Cities, etc.)

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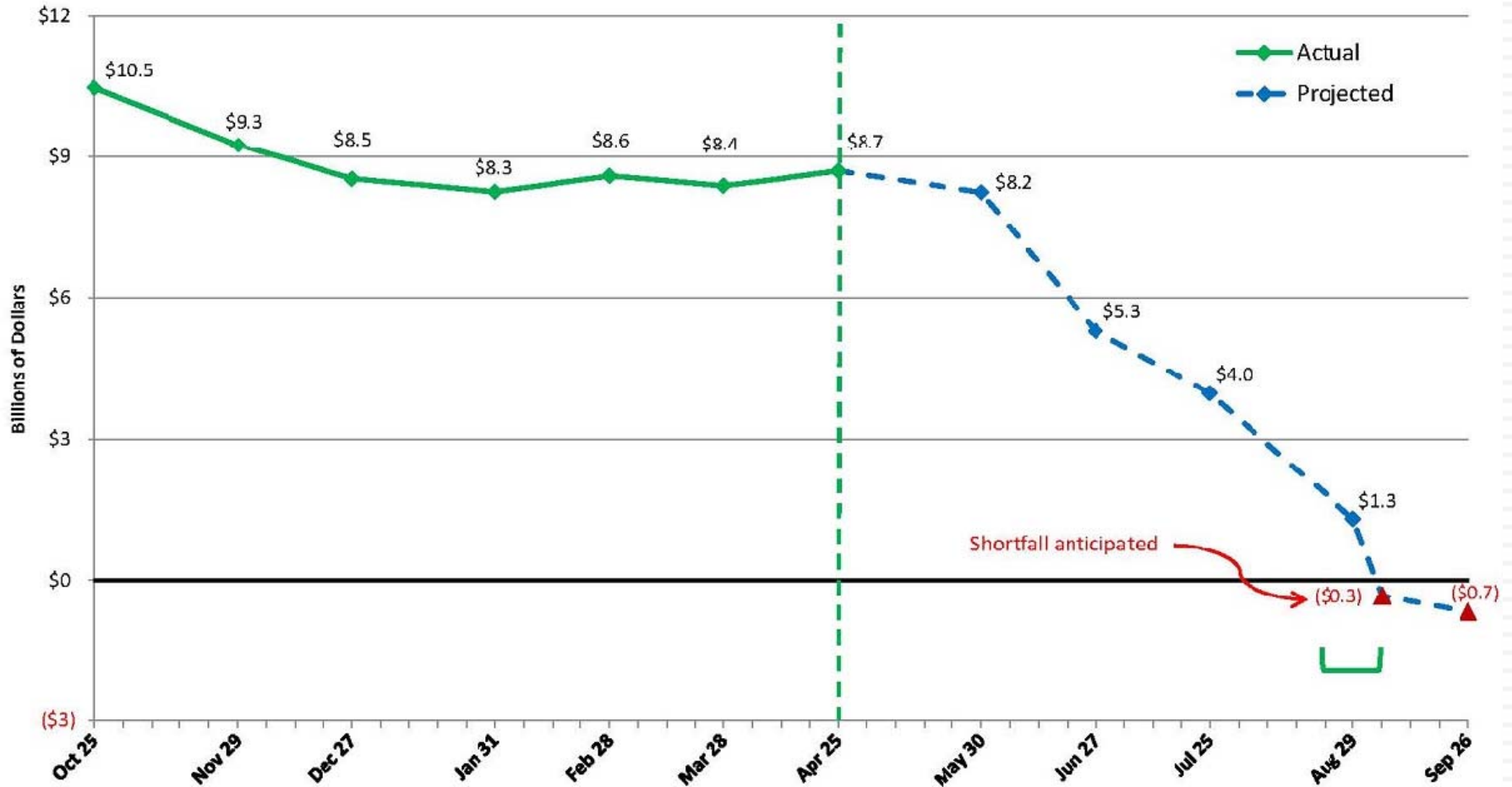
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- Current MAP-21 law expires Sept. 30, 2014
- Current federal funding levels for highways, safety, and transit = \$51 billion in 2014
- Current receipts into HTF from existing excise taxes = \$39 billion
- HTF \$18 billion shortfall in 2015
 - ▣ Highway Account goes broke in August 2014
 - ▣ Transit Account goes broke in September 2014
- Failure to fix the HTF means no new funding commitments in 2015
- Two year bill at MAP-21 levels requires \$35 billion in new revenue
- Six year bill at MAP-21 levels requires \$100 billion in new revenue

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Highway Trust Fund (HTF) – Highway Account

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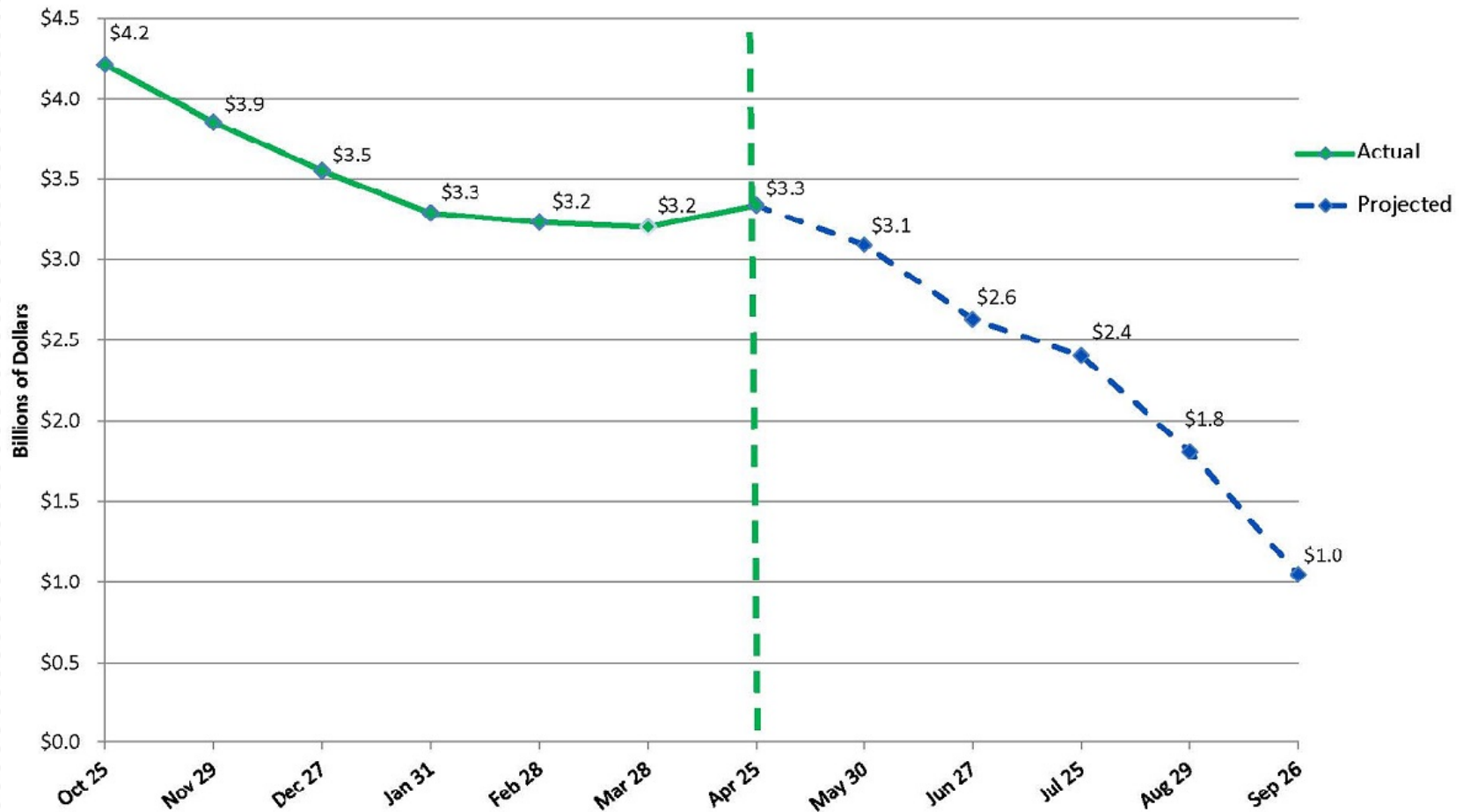


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MAP-21 Reauthorization – House Status

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- House T&I Committee (authorizes fed trans program)
 - Hearings, Drafting
 - Tentatively planning to move a bill before summer
- House Ways & Means (pays for fed trans program)
 - Hearings
 - Proposed changes in corp. tax law for additional resources to the HTF (no action taken)
- House Commerce (only involved with a amendments to Clean Air Act)
 - No activity at this time

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MAP-21 Reauthorization – Senate Status

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- Senate EPW Committee (Highways)
 - ▣ **EPW Committee reported favorably a bill May 15, 2014**
- Senate Banking Committee (Transit)
 - ▣ Hearings, Drafting
 - ▣ Tentative action in June
- Senate Commerce Committee (Safety, Motor Carrier)
 - ▣ Hearings, Drafting
 - ▣ Earliest activity in July
- Senate Finance Committee
 - ▣ Identifies the revenues to pay for the bill
 - ▣ Held hearing to review revenue options but have not agreed to one or more

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USDOT – GROW America Act

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- \$302 billion, 4-year bill includes:
- New \$13.4 billion Critical Immediate Investments
- New \$10 billion Multimodal Freight Investments
 - MPOs required to be on State advisory committees
 - MPOs eligible applicants under grant program
- \$1.25 billion TIGER
- \$2 billion Fixing & Accelerating Surface Transportation (FAST) Competitive Grants

GROW America cont...

MPO Provisions

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- Secretary may designate an MPO as a “High Performing” MPO & allocate additional STP funds
- \$70 million pilot program for MPOs over 1 million in population to improve transportation connectivity to disadvantaged Americans and neighborhoods with limited options
- Requires MPOs to offer a higher degree of public participation

Likely Next Steps...

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- Congress addresses HTF insolvency in July
 - ▣ This will impact FY 2015 transportation appropriations
- Congress must decide before October 1 on extension bill of current law or a “new” reauthorization of MAP-21 (incl. some changes to current law)

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