

LEGISLATIVE MONITORING UPDATE

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Infrastructure

\$21.2 billion in FY2018 spending bill

- Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development Grants (BUILD) – \$1B
- Highways - \$3.5B
- Air - \$1B
- Railways - \$3.1B
- Water - \$1.4B

Changes to permitting and approval process



Water Quality Protection

Investments in Water Infrastructure

- \$700M in EPA water infrastructure programs
- Increase in Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA)

Chesapeake Bay Program

- Fully funded at \$73 million in the FY2018 spending bill
- Restoration efforts to improve the health of the Bay
- Grants to state and local governments to reduce pollution



Efforts to Combat Opioid and Substance Abuse

\$4 billion in FY2018 spending bill

FY2018 Opioid Crisis Response Act of 2018

- Smaller packs of opioids for limited durations
- Spur development on non-addictive painkillers
- Bolster detection of illegal drugs at the border
- Specifies how grants can be provided to states



Transportation

Airport Slot and Perimeter Rule

- Continue to support growth at Dulles and BWI

Passenger Rail Investment and Improvement Act of 2008 (PRIIA)

- FY2019 is the last year of funding
- Will need to re-authorize to continue federal contributions to Metro capital needs



Metro Funding

Maryland

- Governor Hogan signed the Metro funding bill of \$167M annually starting in FY2020 on April 25

Virginia

- General Assembly passed Metro funding bill of \$154M annually starting in FY2019 on March 10
- Governor Northam proposed amendments on April 9 (no tax increases were passed)
- Governor must sign/veto by May 18

DC

- Budget Support Act and Local Budget Act include funding for Metro of \$178.5M annually starting in FY2020
- First vote by Council is scheduled for May 15



Metro Capital Improvement Project

- 20 station platform rebuilding project
- May 2019 – 2021 (3 years)
- \$300-\$400 million capital investment

- First project focuses on 6 stations on the Yellow and Blue line
 - May 2019 – September 2019

- COG/Local Government Involvement
 - Public Communication
 - Implementation and Mitigation
 - Involvement of COG transportation and public safety committees



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