# **April 2023 Newsletter** nnsylvania RTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



### (TYP) update continues through Sunday, April 30. Pennsylvanians can still submit feedback by taking the Transportation Survey or emailing comments to RA-PennDOTSTC@pa.gov. You can also call 717-783-2262 to request a paper copy or to complete the survey

over the phone. All public feedback and survey results will help identify needs and prioritize transportation projects across the state. To learn more about how transportation projects are planned and funded, visit www.TalkPATransportation.com. STIC (o) 5

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### employee-driven innovation councils and committees, an employee suggestion system, a smart practice sharing tool, the **State Transportation Innovation Council** (STIC) and solutions identified and implemented by PennDOT employees. These all

There have been more than 60 continuous improvement

systems to serve Pennsylvanians.

Innovation at PennDOT stems from many sources, including

initiatives and nearly 200 employee-driven innovations undertaken and implemented over the last few years, which have yielded a time savings of nearly 29,000 hours. These projects resulted in transformed processes, procedures and programs that benefitted PennDOT and its employees, transportation partners and the traveling public.

The publication also features recent progress and successes of the

**Counts innovations**. Through Every Day Counts, FHWA is working

STIC and Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Every Day

with PennDOT to identify and deploy proven, yet underutilized

innovations that save time, money and resources while making

the transportations system adaptable, sustainable, equitable and

work together to build better, more efficient and more intuitive

safer for all. Additionally, as PennDOT continues building on its commitment to ease traffic congestion, the organization has implemented Crowdsourcing for Advancing Operations and Next Generation Traffic Incident Management (TIM). These two innovative technologies improve operations and travel times, increase safety and reliability and provide cost savings.

More about Focus on Innovations, including an interactive

innovation timeline, is available **here**.

**PennDOT Accepting Unsolicited Public-**Private Partnership (P3) Proposals Until **April 30** The submission period applies to PennDOT-owned projects, infrastructure and services. The private sector has until April 30 to submit proposals offering innovative ways to deliver transportation projects across a variety of modes, including roads, bridges, rail,

programs. The state's P3 law allows PennDOT and other transportation authorities and commissions to partner with private companies to participate in delivering, maintaining and financing transportation related projects. PennDOT holds this unsolicited proposal period in April and October each year.

More information on Public-Private Partnerships or how to

submit an **Unsolicited Proposal** can be found on PennDOT's

website.

and support.

aviation and ports. Proposals can also include more efficient

models to manage existing transportation related services and

**Federal Grant Opportunities Alerts** PennDOT continues to provide resources related to the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) discretionary





infrastructure, behavioral and operational initiatives to prevent death and serious injury on roads and streets involving all roadway users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, public transportation, personal conveyance, micro-mobility users, motorists and commercial vehicle operators. The deadline to apply for this program is Monday, July 10, 2023, 5:00 p.m. EST.

A Comparison Story of Gasoline

Consumption and Vehicle Miles Traveled

PennDOT has made real progress improving its transportation

reduced gas tax revenues due to the COVID-19 pandemic and

increased fuel efficiency and electrification of vehicles chief

network under some challenging circumstances: record inflation,

among them. These issues have only highlighted how dependent

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Source: PennDOT, March 2023

**Pandemic Effects** 

2019

**Vehicle Miles Traveled** 

2020

PennDOT is on the gas tax as a revenue source. **Gasoline Consumption and Vehicle Miles Traveled Comparison** Gallons of Gasoline (in billions) 5.5

at penndot.pa.gov/funding. Want to share information on your social or digital platforms? Find image, video and other resources in the **Funding** Media Center.



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are currently open and the **Grant Alerts**, which provide basic

Wildlife Crossing Pilot Program (WCPP)

**FEDERAL Grant Alert:** 

background information including PennDOT's areas of emphasis

# connectivity for terrestrial and aquatic species. The deadline to apply for this program is Tuesday, August 1, 2023, 11:59 p.m. EST. **FEDERAL Grant Alert:** Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A)

The U.S. Department of Transportation has opened the FFY 2023

round of funding for the Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A)

**Grant Program**. The SS4A provides grants to support planning,

## The U.S. Department of Transportation has opened the first round of funding for the **Charging and Fueling Infrastructure (CFI)** Discretionary Grant Program. The CFI Program provides alternative fuels infrastructure grants through two separate grant categories: Community Charging and Fueling and Alternative Fuel Corridor. The deadline to apply for this program is Tuesday, May 30, 2023,

Charging and Fueling Infrastructure (CFI)

**FEDERAL Grant Alert:** 

11:59 p.m. EST.

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**View Larger** 

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**Gasoline Consumption** 

2016

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Reducing and eventually eliminating transfers to the Pennsylvania State Police, as proposed in Governor Shapiro's budget, will help ensure that these much-needed dollars will be used to support our large and aging roadway and bridge network. Through PennDOT Pathways, PennDOT is identifying and exploring reliable and equitable funding solutions for the future. Find out more at www.penndot.pa.gov/funding.

For more information about PennDOT Pathways, visit our website



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