



Governor's Task Force on Transportation Infrastructure Investment

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The Honorable John Bel Edwards
Governor
State of Louisiana
900 N 3rd Street
Baton Rouge, LA 70802

Dear Governor Edwards,

On behalf of the Governor's Task Force on Transportation Infrastructure Investment (Task Force), we are pleased to submit the attached report providing actionable recommendations to address the multimodal transportation needs of the State of Louisiana.

As outlined in the report, the Task Force worked diligently over the course of the last six months, pursuant to the charges of executive order JBE 2016-23. Members attended six meetings held in the capitol and participated in eight regional meetings across the state, where more than seven hundred citizens were engaged in this important process.

Based on the feedback from communities across the State, detailed study of existing plans and mechanisms in place to deliver transportation projects, and an understanding of the previous efforts to solve transportation issues in Louisiana, the Task Force adopted nine actionable recommendations through resolutions for your consideration. If acted upon collectively, these measures will position the State of Louisiana to better maintain the current system, fund Category A and B Megaprojects in the Louisiana Statewide Transportation Plan to ease congestion and improve economic opportunity, and ensure competitiveness for current and future federal funding opportunities.

We are thankful for your leadership on transportation in Louisiana. It has been an honor to serve as co-chairs of the Task Force, and we look forward to continuing to support you in every way that we can to advance sustainable solutions for multimodal transportation infrastructure in Louisiana.

Sincerely,

Co-Chair Shawn D. Wilson, Ph.D.
Secretary, DOTD

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Enclosure