

Highway Bill Update

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Overview

Brief NAPA Update

Highway Bill - How we got here

Highway Bill - Where are we going

The longer view



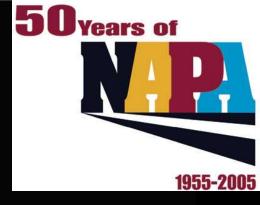
Thank you!

- Bill Cellini & Marvin Traylor
 - 50 years of partnership with Illinois Asphalt
 Pavement Association

- Dan Gallagher
 - Your voice for Illinois Asphalt Producers on NAPA's Board of Directors

 NAPA appreciates all the support we get from Illinois members!

NAPA Update



- 50th Anniversary
- 2005 Convention Concluded
 - Visions Publication
- Mid-Year Meeting in Washington, DC.
 - July 18-19-20
 - Gala Dinner @ Smithsonian Exhibition
- Asphalt History Book by December
 - Author Dan McNichol
 - Sponsorship opportunities

Program Update

- Marketing -
 - Asphalt Pavement Alliance



- Engineering -
 - Perpetual Pavement, Porous Pavement, Heavy-Duty Mixes, Noise Reducing Mixes, Warm Mix Asphalt ((quiet pavement.com)
- Environment -
 - Diamond Achievement
 - Region 5 issue
 - Hired technical-legal expert: Mark Howard



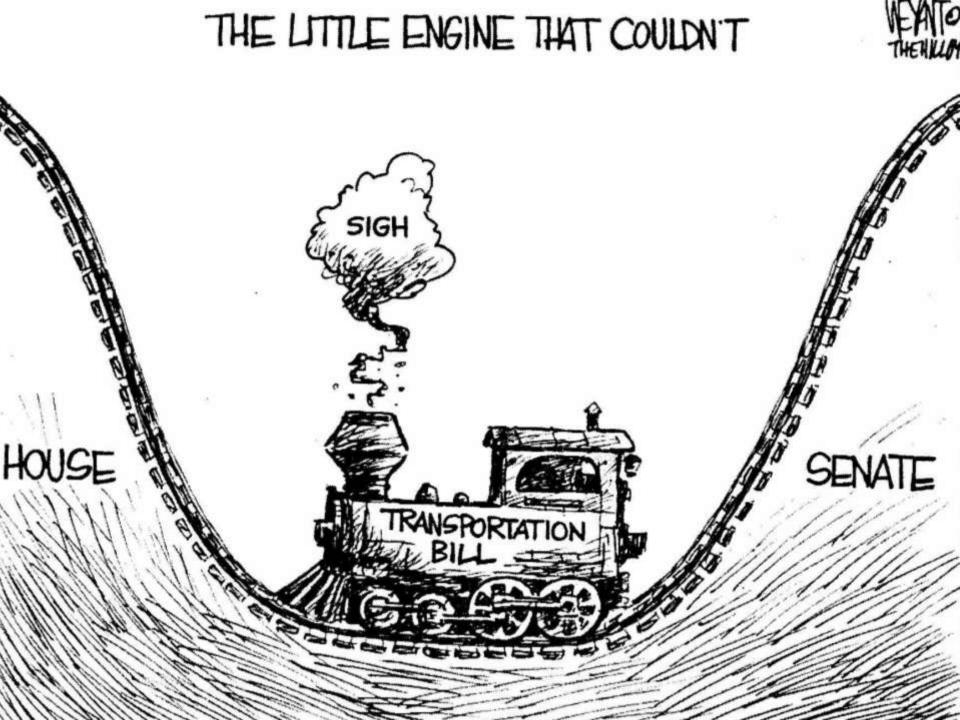
50-in-'05 Membership Campaign

 Goal: Increase total HMA producer membership by one in each state

 50 new members would position NAPA to address urgent environmental issues facing HMA industry

 Need all HMA producers to support NAPA at this time



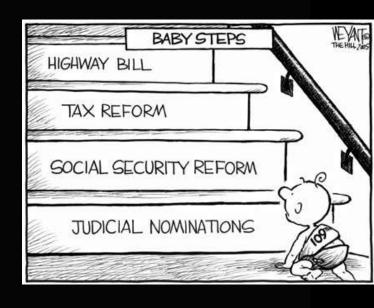


Political Shift is Real

- Reagan: shift burden to the states
- GOP Takeover Strong Anti-tax fervor
- September 11, 2001 "Security"
 - Homeland Security
 - War In Iraq, Afghanistan
- Deficits larger than domestic spending
- Transportation Dept. hemorrhaging clout
- Authorizing Comm's risk irrelevancy
 - Firewalls, Guaranteed Funding at risk
- Public not focused on transportation

Current Legislative Agenda

- Social Security Reform
- Medicaid (Medicare)
- Tort Reform
- Tax Cuts (Legacy issue)
- Budget/Spending
- Getting Re-elected
- Highway Bill Not high on the Senate agenda.
 - Inhofe moving Clean Skies first
 - Frist will not give bill floor time until April



How Big a Bill

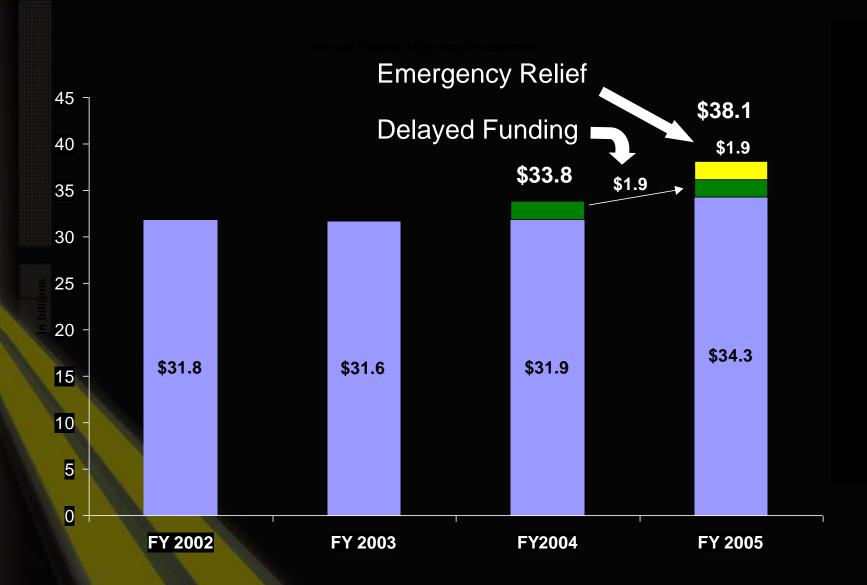
- 108th Congress
 - Gas tax off the table
 - President \$256 billion using existing revenues
 - Inhofe \$318 billion assumes ethanol and other tax enhancers
 - Young \$375 billion → \$279 billion
 - September compromise \$284 billion
 - Legislation dies.
 - Congress enacts 6th extension through May 31, 2005



Impact of Short-Term Extensions

- 2004 a "thoroughly disrupted" year
 - 6 extensions distributed highway funding in small amounts
 - Annual funding totals for states uncertain
 - More difficult to develop a year-long letting program
 - States cautious about committing funds in case change in funding levels/formulas
 - Nevertheless, 2005 market is up!

Highway Funding up \$4.3 Billion



Remainder of FY 2005

- Still need legislation to authorize highway funding June 1 - September 30th
 - Either a multi-year bill, or
 - Another short-term extension
- Such legislation may change highway funding level of \$34.6 billion

\$284 Billion Transportation Bill

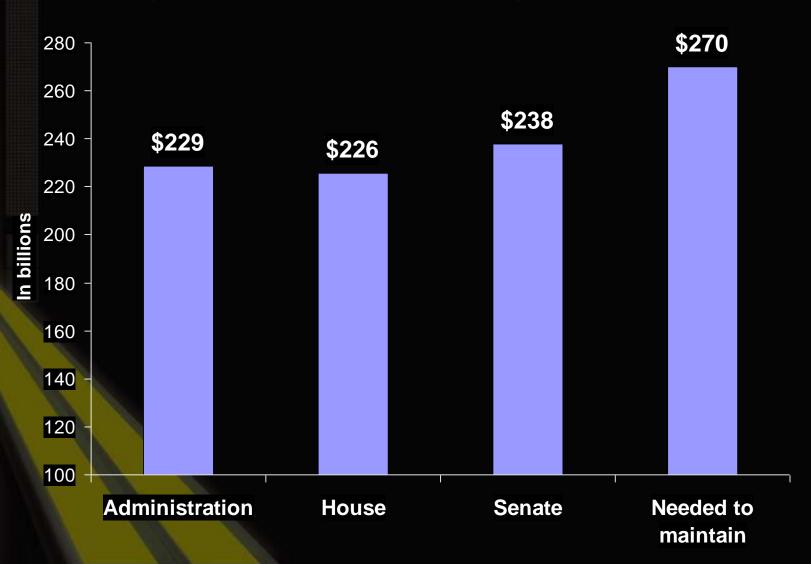
- Positive sign from President
 - \$4.5 billion boost from last year
 - Starting point for legislation



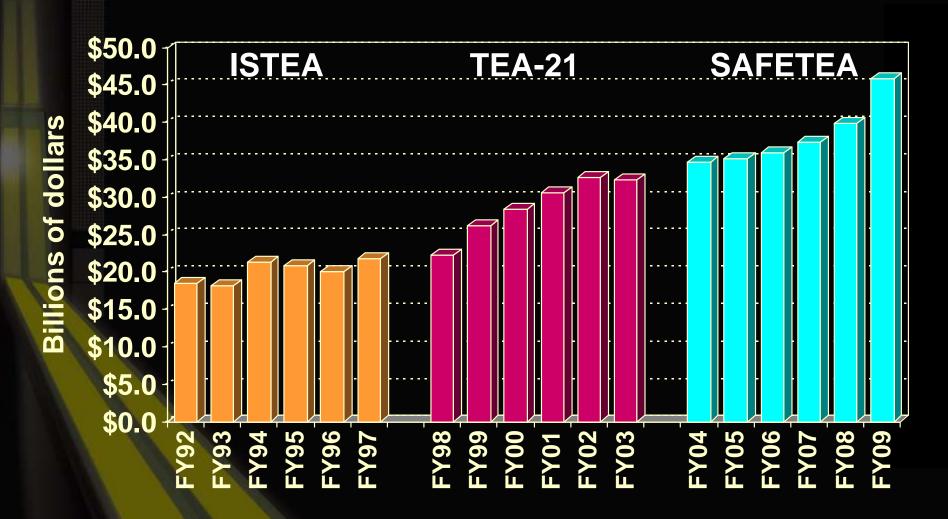
- Assumes ethanol tax changes
- Enacting Highway bill is a process
 - Opportunities to grow funding even higher



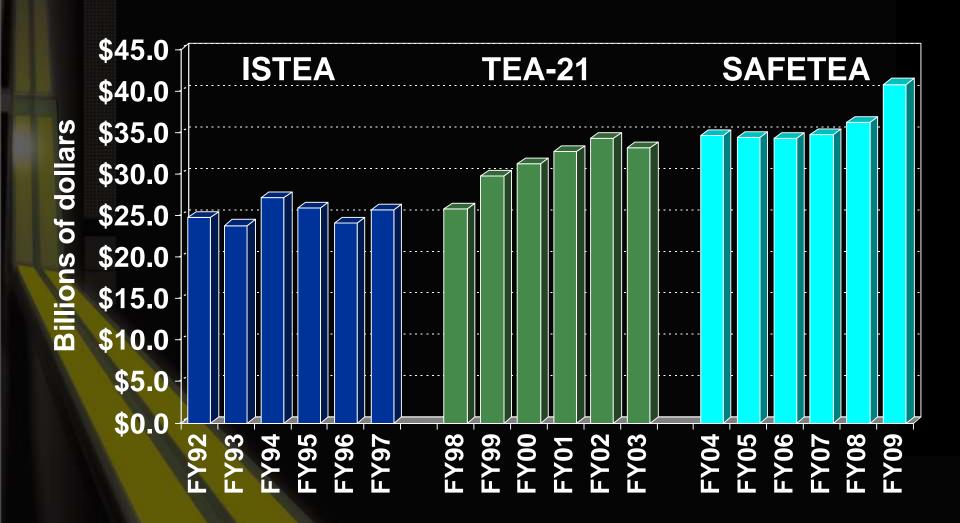
Comparison of Proposed Highway Funding Levels



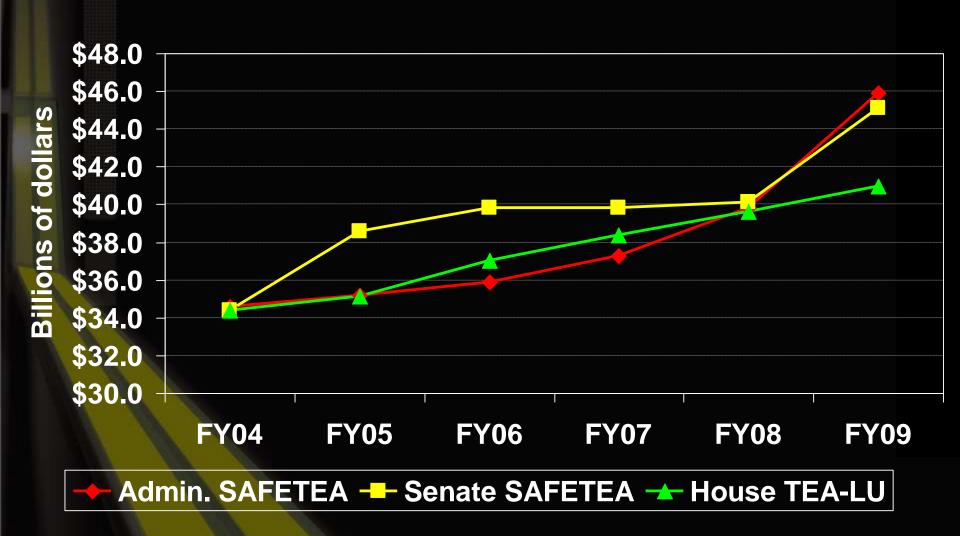
Highway Program Funding — SAFETEA vs. TEA-21 and ISTEA



Highway Program Funding In 2004 Dollars – SAFETEA vs. TEA-21 and ISTEA



Comparison of Highway Funding Under Administration SAFETEA, Senate –passed SAFETEA and House TEA-LU (H.R. 3)



House Actions

- H.R. 3 (TEA-LU) approved in Committee March 2.
 - \$284 billion
 - Donor-Donee issue not addressed
 - 3,315 highway projects
 - \$9 billion
 - IL in top 5
 - House Floor Action
 - Formula Amendment
 - Toll Amendment





It's Time for Congress to Act on TEA-21 Reauthorization

- Motor vehicle crashes kill over 43,000 people on U.S. roads each year and cost the American economy \$230 billion. Roadway conditions and alignments are a factor in an estimated one-third of motor vehicle crashes.
- Traffic congestion costs the U.S. economy \$70 billion annually.
- Poor road conditions cost the average automobile owner \$400 ever year in repair costs.

Good Roads Cost Money... Bad Roads Cost More!

Senate Actions

- Sen. Frist will not let bill greater than
 \$284 billion on Senate floor
- Chairman Inhofe will support amendments in Committee/Senate floor/Conference to grow funding
- Senate Finance Committee key
- Committee Markup March 16
- Opportunities for industry to grow funding
 - \$5-10 billion still on the table

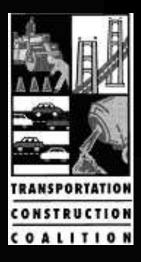
Key Pressure Points

- Highway funding can be increased when:
 - SAFETEA on Senate floor
 - SAFETEA in Conference
 - FY 2006 budget resolution on H/S floor
 - FY 2006 Transportation Appropriations

bill debated

Your Mission

- Respond to the grassroots alerts!
 - Timing is important
 - Involve all your employees and families.
- Attend the TCC Legislative Fly-In
 - NAPA, ARTBA, AGC, NSSGA, NRMCA
 - April 26-27, 2005
- Your involvement is critical to your market!



Key Illinois Lawmakers



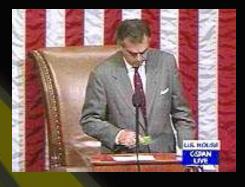
















Longer View - Driving Forces

- Population growing 30 million every 10 years
- VMT growing from 2.7 trillion (2000) to 3.3 trillion by 2010
- Truck traffic to double by 2020
- 80% of growth in suburbs
- Highway congestion is increasing









Transitional Period

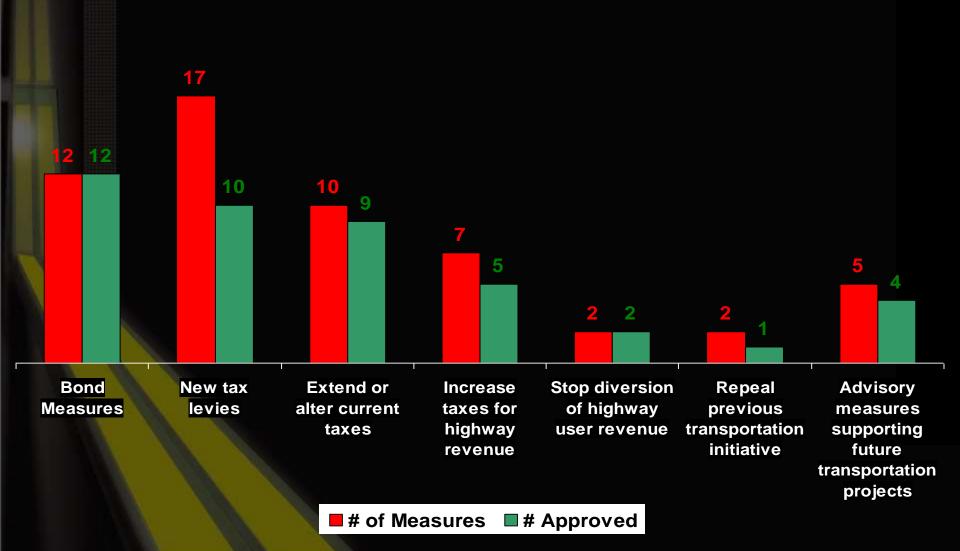
- Pressure on the fossil fuel-based user fee concept
 - Fuel efficiency, alternative fuels, hybrids
 - Fuel tax loosing purchasing power
 - Congress won't support user fee increase
 - Except for deficit reduction. 5 cent (1990) 4.3 cent (1993)
- Highway Trust Fund stretched to the limit
 - Expenditures exceed revenues
 - Byrd Test triggered signaling insolvency

Transitional Period

- Federal share as a percentage of highway funding is down
 - Even as many states shifted highway funds to general budget
- Substitution/Diversion is a major issue
 - Federal highway funds substituted for state and local funds
 - Rate of substitution 60 cents on the \$1.00
 - Illinois diverting 30% of user fee revenues
- Tolling and bonding not a cure-all
 - Niche market but <u>not a replacement</u>



Voters Speak up on 2004 Transportation Ballots



NAPA Actions

- NAPA funding U.S. Chamber of Commerce study
 - How to fund transportation in the future
 - For congressional mandated Blue Ribbon
 Panel
 - Panel will take up future federal role
- NAPA leading effort to help states grow highway market
 - TRIP State highway funding task force
 - State survey
 - State funding toolkit
 - Complement state funding efforts

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