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Department of Transportation Announces FY 2013 TIGER Grants

On Sept. 5, the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) Secretary Anthony Foxx [announced](#) that 52 transportation projects in 37 states, including Alaska, Arizona, Georgia, Maryland, Virginia and Washington, will receive a total of approximately \$474 million from the Department of Transportation's FY 2013 Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) discretionary grant program. Among these, 25 projects funded at \$123.4 million will be designated for projects in rural areas of the country.

The TIGER discretionary grant program provides funding to the U.S. Department of Transportation to invest in road, rail, transit and port projects that promise to achieve critical national objectives. Congress dedicated \$1.5 billion for TIGER I, \$600 million for TIGER II, \$526.944 million for FY 2011 and \$500 million for the FY 2012 round of TIGER.

The House Appropriations Committee approved a FY 2014 DOT funding bill that would both cut all funding for TIGER in FY 2014 as well as cut half of the \$474 million that was just awarded. Conversely, the Senate appropriations bill would both increase the FY 2014 amount and establish an additional fund for bridge projects.

For a complete analysis of the 52 projects, please see the department's fact sheet [booklet](#).