ARPA & The Infrastructure Act -- What It Means For Local Government

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Today’s Speaker

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“I help our clients align their needs with funding resources and help with compliance, regulatory, and reporting requirements. Together with our engineering team and geospatial experts, we are able to deliver turnkey solutions, which is especially important with the federal funding opportunities that exist today.”
Woolpert at a Glance

1911
Founded in Dayton, Ohio

60+
Offices Worldwide

1,600+
Global Employees

ARCHITECTURE

ENGINEERING

GEOSPATIAL
Markets

Aviation | Education | Energy | Private Development | Federal, State and Local Government

Maritime | National Security | Parks and Recreation | Transportation | Water
Infrastructure Law & ARPA

OVERVIEW
How the Money Flows

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)

Congress → U.S. Treasury → State & Local Governments (In most cases, two tranches) → Eligible Programs

State & Local Governments report back to Treasury on spending plan, compliance, funding allocations & spending

South Carolina $2.5B Gov + Legislature

Infrastructure Bill

Congress → Various Federal Agencies → Programs (Existing & New) → Three Spending Systems

Federal agencies report back to Congress to ensure Congressional intent is reflected in the spending

A. Direct federal procurement
B. Federal grants
C. Allocations to states
Infrastructure Law
At a Glance

- $110B Roads and Bridges
- $73B Electric Grid Upgrade
- $66B Passenger & Freight Rail
- $65B Broadband
- $55B Improved Water Quality
- $50B Climate Change Protection
- $42B Airports & Ports
- $39B Public Transit
- $21B Environmental Clean-Up
- $15B Electric Vehicles
- $11B Transportation Safety
- $1B Reconnecting Communities
Infrastructure Law Timing

1. November 15, 2021
   Bill signed into law

2. 60-90-180 Reporting Requirement

3. Requirement to report spending for each Fiscal Year ‘22-’26 Annually

4. Fiscal Year ’22 Funding already becoming available
USDA $918M Funding available via Natural Resources Conservation Services – South Carolina Counties Targeted for Special Consideration:

- Allendale
- Clarendon
- Marlboro

Others:
- US DOT $1.5B Funding available
- EPA $3.9B - $1B Superfund / $2.9 Lead pipes
- Bureau of Reclamation $210M for Western Drought
What is ARPA?

1. $1.9 trillion economic stimulus bill signed into law on March 11, 2021. Provides $350 billion in funding to state, local & tribal governments.

2. Eligible projects under ARPA include wide array of services related to infrastructure. Emphasis on water, sewer & broadband infrastructure.

3. The time to act is NOW. Funds must be allocated by the end of 2024 & spent by the end of 2026.
Time is of the essence...

**MARCH 11, 2021**
Signed into law.

**MAY 10, 2021**
Initial 50% distribution. (states & cities should be 20% allocated by now)

**MAY 10, 2022**
Final 50% distribution.

**DECEMBER 31, 2024**
Funding allocation deadline. No funds disbursed beyond this date.

**DECEMBER 31, 2026**
All funds MUST be spent by this date. Unspent amounts are forfeited.
New ARPA Rule & Guidance released January 6, effective April 1

- Expanded Water Resources, drinking water, sewer
- Broadband
- Construction of schools & hospitals
- Government Services* $10M revenue loss standard allowance
- Health services
- General government administration, staff, & administrative facilities
- Environmental remediation
- Provision of police, fire, other public safety services
- Capital Expenditures
- Non-federal cost share
**Funding Sources**

**A** American Rescue Plan Act
- $250M for Water Infrastructure
- $300M for Broadband

**B** Bipartisan Infrastructure Law
- $5B+ for roads and bridges
- $391M for public transit
- Millions for water infrastructure

**C** Congressional Appropriations
- $2M in T&I Bill

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**Use funding in any various combinations to unlock ultimate value to develop a program**

**All-In Infrastructure Program**

**Eligible Under All Funding Sources**
- Water
- Resiliency
- Broadband
- More...
- Roads and Bridges
- New Infrastructure
- Sustainability
- Economic Development
Case Studies

Utilizing SRF Application Process for ARPA and Infrastructure
USDA Infrastructure Funding
Water Programs vs Projects
US DOT Infrastructure Funding

What are your case studies?
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