

Priorities for Implementing Historic Federal Investments

Constrained supply chains and inflation in materials and wages have raised infrastructure project costs 49% since 2020, increasing the urgency of streamlining implementation

SOLUTIONS

- Boost federal collaboration with public and private stakeholders at the state and local levels
- Expand workforce training and consider immigration reform to address shortages
- Apply rigorous cost-benefit analysis and prioritize the highest-impact projects
- Consolidate info on funding availability, application, and reporting
- Streamline regulation. Swiftly implement NEPA reforms and use the One Federal Decision process
- Extend waiver of Buy American provisions for supply-chain constrained construction inputs

Sources: Department of Transportation and The Conference Board, 2023

