



What Others are Saying

Praise for “Performance Driven: A New Vision for U.S. Transportation Policy”

“The American Public Transportation Association (APTA) applauds the Bipartisan Policy Center for focusing on the serious transportation problems we face as a nation. Many of the issues that Congress must confront in developing the next surface transportation legislation, including the need for a new vision, system performance and increased investment, are addressed in this forward-looking report.”

— **William Millar, President, American Public Transportation Association (APTA)**

“The National Transportation Policy Project report, ‘*Performance Driven: A New Vision for U.S. Transportation Policy*,’ joins a growing chorus of bipartisan organizations and commissions calling for federal leadership and political will to boost investment in the nation’s highways, bridges and public transportation facilities. We agree with the NTPP that new revenues alone will not solve the nation’s transportation challenge. These resources must be complemented by significant program reforms that emphasize national objectives, performance standards and accountability.”

— **Pete Ruane, President & CEO, The American Road & Transportation Builders Association (ARTBA)**

“The NTPP’s new report is indispensable for anyone even tangentially connected to the discussion for reforming national transportation policy. It represents an enormous contribution for how we can ‘crack the code’ and truly link transportation spending to critical national objectives around economic growth, energy security, and environmental sustainability.”

— **Robert Puentes, Senior Fellow and Director, Metropolitan Infrastructure Initiative, Brookings Institution Metropolitan Policy Program**

“The Chamber is encouraged by the NTPP’s bold proposals that dig in deeper and lay out the specifics of reform in federal surface transportation programs. Key to achieving real reform is the creation of performance-based programs that result in more effective uses of federal resources. The Chamber believes strongly that increased investment must be coupled with policies that require performance management and accountability in order to maximize the effectiveness of Federal dollars.”

— **Janet F. Kavinsky, U.S. Chamber of Commerce**

“The NTPP’s recommendations for a performance-based federal transportation program offer a refreshing and wise change from today’s overly formulaic and earmarked surface transportation program. For too long we have made transportation policy not by identifying and funding key national priorities but by allocating money in a disjointed and indiscriminate fashion. I hope the NTPP’s recommendations receive serious attention by Congress and the Obama Administration.”

— **Steve Van Beek, President, Eno Transportation Foundation**

“The I-95 Corridor Coalition applauds the NTPP’s contribution to the national dialogue of needed reform of the federal transportation program to focus more directly on critical freight corridors.”

— **George Schoener, Executive Director, I-95 Corridor Coalition**



“We welcome their conclusion that meaningful reform to promote ‘wiser’ investment of transportation funds must precede efforts to increase revenue sources”

— **James Corless, Director, Transportation for America**

“NTTP’s report, and the much-anticipated surface transportation bill, signal that momentum is building to revamp outdated policies and entrenched structures that have led to federal mis-investment in communities across metropolitan Chicago and the U.S. The National Transportation Policy Project’s report is another signpost for the direction federal investment should be taking: away from investing in silos via arbitrary funding formulas, and toward supporting programs and infrastructure that solve interconnected issues and are planned at the scale of the problems they intend to address.”

— **MarySue Barrett, President, Metropolitan Planning Council**

“I applaud the conclusion that significant reform, based on establishing national goals and performance metrics, must precede efforts to increase funding for the federal surface transportation system.”

— **Former Secretary of Transportation Mary E. Peters, Mary E. Peters Consulting Group, LLC**

“We support the Panel's recommendations to reform and focus the federal role in national transportation in areas in which the federal government is uniquely positioned to lead: sustaining its existing assets and enhancing national connectivity across all transportation modes.”

— **Bob Yaro, Co-Chair, America 2050**

“AAA commends the Bipartisan Policy Center’s National Transportation Policy Project for their hard work in putting together a comprehensive set of recommendations to reform the nation’s transportation program. We have been saying for some time now that America needs a new vision for how the nation’s transportation system is planned, funded and implemented. The status quo is unacceptable, and we cannot ask motorists to pay more for business as usual. We look forward to reviewing the NTPP’s full report.”

— **Kathleen Marvaso, Vice President, Public Affairs, American Automobile Association (AAA)**