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Major Federal Bridge Grants Jump-Start Long-Stalled Projects.

The Biden administration announced $5 billion to build major bridge replacements, including several grants that were among the largest received by states in their history.

More than a dozen large bridge projects secured federal funding Wednesday, including long-planned connections in Portland, Oregon; Cape Cod, Massachusetts; Mobile, Alabama; Wilmington, North Carolina; and Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

The Biden administration announced the $5 billion in grants funded under the 2021 infrastructure law, with Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg and other federal officials planning to visit the selected sites over the coming weeks.

“Today’s announcement means that millions of people will have a better and safer commute, and that every American will benefit in some way—whether they use these bridges or not—from the smoother supply chains hitting fewer bottlenecks at 13 of the most significant bridges in the country,” Buttigieg told reporters.

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