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What's In the Infrastructure Plan for Rural America?

Here's a deep dive into the final bipartisan infrastructure deal approved by the Senate impacting those in agriculture.

The U.S. Senate's passage of the more than 2,700-page Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act offers many important provisions that those in rural America were seeking. The bill provides \$548 billion in additional spending. When combined with existing baseline infrastructure spending, total funding for infrastructure will be approximately \$944 billion over five years and \$1.2 trillion over eight years.

The House has already passed its own version of an infrastructure bill – the INVEST In America Act, also in H.R. 3684, which the Senate replaced with this plan. The House could take up the Senate's version, but it's unlikely given House Transportation and Infrastructure Chairman Peter DeFazio, D-Ore., concerns with missing provisions after he spent months on his own plan.

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act represents a highlight reel of the Senate's bipartisan work. It includes several bills that have already won bipartisan action in the Senate, including a must-pass highway bill to extend programs set to expire this fall.

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