

## **State**

- Support the full statutory allocation to the ROADS Fund including raising the \$590 million cap to a level offsetting continued inflation related to maintenance, materials and manpower that is encompassing ODOT's mission. In an effort to continue the replacement and rehabilitation of state highways and bridges, TRUST supports the statutory allocation, and any corresponding cap raise, as a core business function of the state.
  - Motor vehicle fees redirected to transportation. A core TRUST principle is all
    transportation-derived revenues are used strictly for transportation. TRUST
    supports returning 100% of all motor fuel taxes and the remaining allocation of
    vehicle-related fees to transportation purposes, and encourages the appropriate
    allocation of motor vehicle fees to state highways, county roads and municipal
    streets taking into consideration previous vehicle-related fees and general fund
    allocations. TRUST will continue to support this concept as a matter of sound
    public policy.
- Protect full allocation to the ODOT Eight-Year Highway and Bridge Construction
  Work Plan. TRUST's top priority is ensuring funding remains at a level where no
  current projects are interrupted, no planned projects cut and no motor fuel taxes
  and vehicle-related transportation fees diverted from ODOT's investment strategy
  which includes the Eight-Year Plan, the Asset Preservation Plan and highway
  maintenance. TRUST opposes the diversion of funds from ODOT's general budget
  and/or the Eight-Year Plan to aid budget deficits.
- Infrastructure bond financing. During uncertain budget times TRUST supports infrastructure bond financing to maintain critical transportation funding and projects, and vehemently opposes the diversion of motor fuel taxes and vehicle-related transportation fees to non-transportation uses of state government.
- Support full funding to County Improvements for Roads & Bridges (CIRB) Five-Year
  Construction Work Plan. To rehabilitate county bridges and highways, TRUST
  supports the CIRB program and its revolving fund to be used strictly for CIRB
  transportation projects with no interruption of current projects, no elimination of
  planned projects and no diversion of funding to the state budget.

- Protect transportation-dedicated revolving funds. The funds are intended to fund transportation infrastructure projects and should not be diverted for other governmental purposes.
- Renovation of Ports of Entries Weigh Stations. TRUST supports methods to
  complete the construction of Oklahoma's new ports of entries in order to protect
  highways and bridges from overweight freight. Doing so will result in additional
  revenues from fines and fees due to increased monitoring of overweight
  commercial traffic. TRUST also supports returning the one-cent transportation
  user fee from the Petroleum Storage Tank Indemnity Fund to transportation needs
  to service the bond debt. This allows for no revenue impact or increased taxes
  while utilizing transportation fees to support transportation needs.
- Innovative funding for transportation. TRUST supports innovative and alternative transportation funding including the Fair Miles OK program that would implement a vehicle miles travel (VMT) system to offset declining state fuel tax revenues. Any alternative funding program must be revenue equitable but not punitive, and for the intended purpose of establishing equitable mobility through a comprehensive approach to increase overall transportation funding.

## **FEDERAL**

- Support long-term funding of Highway Trust Fund and federal surface transportation programs. Long-term funding provides stability to the Highway Trust Fund, enabling states to more accurately plan future projects while providing regulatory relief.
- Support Tribal Transportation Program. Each year tribal transportation
  partnerships across the state contribute close to \$60 million to highway and bridge
  construction. TRUST supports the current apportionment formula of Tribal
  Transportation Program federal funds and supports expansion of the Tribal
  Transportation Program and tribal partnerships.