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## **Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill Passes the House**



Shortly before midnight on Friday, the U.S. House passed a \$1 trillion public-works bill, sending to President Biden's desk a generational investment in roads and bridges that had languished for several months as Democrats feuded over the terms of its approval. The President is expected to sign the bill early this week.

Negotiated and approved by a bipartisan group of senators this summer, the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act includes a five-year reauthorization of federal surface transportation programs, **significantly** 

increasing funding from the Highway Trust Fund for federal-aid highways and highway safety. The legislation makes the single largest investment in repairing and reconstructing the nation's bridges since the construction of the interstate highway system.

AGC's summary of this legislation can be found <u>HERE</u>. In addition, the AGC's CEO had this to say about the passage of this legislation: " *The Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill is the most significant infusion of investment in our infrastructure since the enactment of the Interstate Highway System in the mid-1950's. It provides additional market opportunities for transportation contractors, heavy contractors, building contractors, and utility contractors. It demonstrates to our existing and future workforce that there is sustainable work in the years to come. Yes, there are provisions in the package that will make some members wince when they read them. No bill is perfect, but on balance, this one is better than we could have expected in the current political environment."* 

# **Summary on OSHA's COVID-19 Vaccination and Testing ETS**



On November 5, OSHA published the ETS on COVID-19 Vaccinations and Testing. While the effective date is November 5, compliance does not begin for various parts until December 6 and January 4. The recent <u>CAWP Safety Bulletin</u> has details on how to determine applicability to your company and what employees it does not cover. There is an exemption for employees who work exclusively outside. These exempt employees would not need to show proof of vaccination or do weekly testing but they do count toward the 100-employee threshold. More to come on these details.

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### Help Make the Holidays Merry for Area Children



Join the CAWP CLC and collect toys for the Salvation Army's Treasures for Children Toy Drive. This has been a particularly difficult year for many, so it is our hope that we can meet or exceed the donation of over 500 toys donated in 2020!

These donations will be distributed in western PA to children in need. Help us support our local communities by participating in this program in the following ways:

- Place a collection bin/box in a common area with a copy of the <u>collection flyer</u>. Feel free to add YOUR corporate logo to the signage to illustrate your company's partnership with the CLC program!
- Communicate the CLC Toy Drive program to employees, family, and friends through fliers, email, paycheck inserts, etc.
- Deliver toys to CAWP, 800 Cranberry Woods Drive, Suite 110, Cranberry Township, PA 16066 on Thursday, December 2 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Friday, December 3 from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m.
- To make a monetary donation, please make checks payable to Salvation Army and you may mail to CAWP or drop off during the scheduled donation drop-off times.

Should you have any questions, please contact Emily at <a href="mailto:emilym@cawp.org">emilym@cawp.org</a> or Erin at <a href="mailto:emilym@cawp.org">emilym@cawp.org</a>.

#### TOY DRIVE FLYER



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CAWP / H2AP Annual Membership Reception & Monte Carlo

Friday, January 14, 2022 at Heinz Field.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

January 14, 2022 CAWP/H2AP Annual Membership Reception & Monte Carlo

February 23-27, 2022

CAWP Annual Meeting-Atlantis Paradise Island Bahamas

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#### **RECENT BULLETINS**

#### November 5

CAWP Safety Bulletin #8-21 Summary of OSHA's COVID-19 Vaccination and Testing ETS

#### November 2

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