

Michigan Department of Transportation
Rail Operations and Infrastructure Obligations
PA 166 of 2022 Section 704
November 1, 2023

The Rail Operations and Infrastructure line item in the Michigan Department of Transportation's (MDOT) FY2022-2023 appropriation bill, 2022 PA 166, funds several individual programs and activities. Specific items include passenger rail operating assistance, capital and maintenance activities on the 665 miles of state-owned rail lines, and programs to enhance economic development through investments in rail infrastructure.

The line item is funded with \$99,650,700 in state Comprehensive Transportation Fund (CTF) dollars, and provides the authority to spend federal, local, and private dollars, as well as monies held in the Rail Freight Fund, should they become available. While some federal grant funds and Rail Freight Fund dollars were obligated, no local or private monies were obligated during FY2023.

Details of how these funds were obligated during FY2023 are reflected in the following pages.

Rail Operations and Infrastructure - FY2023

**FY2023
Obligations**

Passenger Rail Operating

Amtrak - Operating Assistance	\$32,654,059
Amtrak - Multi State Railcar Movement Agreement	\$19,694

Michigan Line Maintenance (Kalamazoo-Dearborn)

MI Line Maintenance	\$13,950,442
MI Line Insurance	\$1,354,878
MI Line Utilities	\$570,500

Michigan Line Capital (Kalamazoo-Dearborn)

Jackson/Mechanic Bridge Reconstruction - Additional Funding	\$362,625
PE and Environmental Work for Battle Creek Connection Project (2019 CRISI)	\$1,486,739
Safety Enhancement Design and Phase I Projects (2020 CRISI Grant)	\$744,128
Turnout Replacement and Equipment Improvements (2019 SOGR Grant)	\$4,819,012
Curve Modifications Jackson to Ypsilanti (2020 SOGR Grant)	\$19,610,391
Leforge Road Signal Installation	\$25,700
Bridge Superstructure Replacement AML 129.39	\$268,926

Freight Lines Capital

Great Lakes Central - Bridge Repairs Manistee River	\$740,000
Bridge Project Design, PE and Construction- Four Structures (2021 CRISI Grant)	\$124,414
Indiana Northeastern - Tree Removal	\$117,897
Indiana Northeastern - Culvert Replacement	\$141,100

Rail Freight Economic Development and Rail Freight System Preservation Projects

Freight Economic Development Program Grants

Grand Elk - TekModo - FEDP	\$53,500
Biewer of Lansing - FEDP	\$770,338
Grand Trunk Western - Target Steel - FEDP	\$2,000,000
Louis Padnos Iron & Metal - FEDP	\$1,129,450
Additional Funding to Complete Prior - FEDP Projects	\$163,705

Michigan Rail Enhancement Program Grants

West Michigan Railroad Co - Rail Siding - MREP	\$611,520
Grand Trunk Western Railroad Company - Rail Rehabilitation - MREP	\$1,800,000
Lake State Railway Company - Tie Replacement Project - MREP	\$424,841
Lake State Railway Company - Equipment Upgrades - MREP	\$194,351
Huron & Eastern Railway Company, Inc. - Purchase Hopper Cars - MREP	\$2,500,000
Huron & Eastern Railway Company, Inc. - Track Improvement Project - MREP	\$2,500,000
Michigan Southern Railroad - Track Improvement Project - MREP	\$507,700
Mineral Range, Inc - Track Improvement Project - MREP	\$769,860
Delray Connecting Railroad - Connecting Railroad Bridge Repairs - MREP	\$875,000
Grand Rapids Eastern Railroad - Tie Replacement Project - MREP	\$2,500,000
Norfolk Southern Railway Co - Intermodal Facility Upgrades - MREP	\$5,000,000
Indiana Northeastern Railroad Company - Tie Replacement & New Loadout Track - MREP	\$653,621
Grand Elk Railroad - Track Improvement and Bridge Rehab - MREP	\$798,862
Hamilton Northwestern Railroad Co. - Tie Replacement & New Transload Construction - MREP	\$1,597,926

Miscellaneous

Grand Rapids Station Track Inspection	\$36,800
Design and Analysis (Consultants)	\$617,410
MDOT Staff Support	\$115,710
Miscellaneous Small Projects	\$346,671

TOTAL OBLIGATIONS **\$102,957,770**

FY2023 DOLLARS BEING CARRIED FORWARD IN WORK PROJECTS

Amtrak - Safety Enhancement Project - Dearborn-Kalamazoo (2020 CRISI Grant)	\$25,000,000
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TOTAL CTF APPROPRIATION **\$99,650,700**

FEDERAL GRANT FUNDS **\$28,304,570**

RAIL FREIGHT FUND **\$2,500**

- MI Line - State-owned Higher Speed Rail Between Dearborn and Kalamazoo
- CRISI - Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements Grant
- SOGR - State of Good Repair Federal-State Partnership Grant
- FEDP - Freight Economic Development Program
- MREP - Michigan Rail Enhancement Grant Program
- TBD - To Be Determined