



# GOVERNOR GRETCHEN WHITMER

## REBUILDING MICHIGAN'S ROADS AND BRIDGES



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*"Since taking office, I have taken action to fix the damn roads and keep Michiganders safe as they go to work, drop their kids off at school, and run errands. In the state that put the world on wheels, every family deserves access to roads that get them where they need to go without blowing an axle or cracking a windshield. I am committed to making lasting investments in infrastructure and with my Rebuilding Michigan plan, we are moving dirt right now and building up our roads to connect our communities, families, and small businesses."*

*- Governor Gretchen Whitmer*

### Securing funding for our roads, bridges, and water infrastructure

- Since Governor Whitmer took office, Michigan has repaired, rebuilt, or replaced 13,198 lane miles of road and 903 bridges, supporting nearly 82,000 jobs.
- Proposed a [FY 2023 budget](#) that invests \$6.3 billion into state and local roads, bridges, airports, transit, and rail programs—the largest infrastructure budget in Michigan history.
- Launched the [Rebuilding Michigan Plan](#), a \$3.5 billion bond plan that expands hundreds of major new road projects, rebuilding our state highways and bridges over the next 5 years, without an increase at the pump.
  - In September 2020, Michigan spent the first [\\$800 million bond](#) to cover the cost of rebuilding some of Michigan's most highly traveled freeways, including I-496.
  - In August 2021, Michigan announced [an additional bond](#) which includes funding for a \$120 million project on I-94 in Jackson County.
    - In total, this investment supports approximately 22,800 construction jobs in 2021 along with an additional 21,700 jobs in other industries.
- Signed an executive directive to [speed up pothole repairs](#) by using all available resources, including overtime pay and contracted services.
- Continued partnership with the Canadian government on the Gordie Howe International Bridge, a major trade corridor that supports at least [2,500 good-paying jobs](#) for Michiganders.
- Invested over \$2 billion to upgrade drinking water, stormwater, and wastewater facilities across the state, supporting 30,000 jobs.
- Launched [MI Clean Water](#), a \$1 billion plan to [upgrade water infrastructure](#) supporting 15,000 jobs. Proposed an [additional \\$239 million](#) to rebuild water infrastructure in the FY 2023 budget.
- Worked with federal partners to [secure funding for the Soo Locks](#) Modernization Project.
- Launched the [Michigan Infrastructure Office](#) to ensure funding from the federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act is spent and deployed effectively.