

Repair Washington

Many sectors of Washington’s infrastructure systems are in dire need of repair. Our state’s roads and bridges, water, waste water, transit, energy, and communication systems need increased investment to become efficient, safe, and productive for the people of Washington.

Repairing Washington will create good jobs, make our systems more efficient and less polluting, and safeguard communities from the impact of climate change—like severe weather such as floods and droughts. The numbers below represent economy-wide jobs created and maintained by investment in infrastructure. These estimates include:

- The number of direct jobs from sectors impacted, for example construction laborers, equipment operators, and maintenance workers.
- The number of indirect jobs from the industries that service those sectors and supply chain, including the manufacturing of materials, components, and equipment.
- The number of induced jobs supported as those workers buy goods and services, including increased demand for retail, housing, and financial services.

Investments to repair infrastructure in WA could create or sustain more than **77,900 jobs** each year throughout the economy.

REPAIRING OHIO: A JOB CREATION OPPORTUNITY	
Roads and Bridges	Investing \$1.76 billion per year in roads and bridges over the next 20 years would create or sustain close to an estimated 48,790 jobs throughout the economy each year ⁱ
Rail	Investing \$97 million per year in freight rail over the next 20 years would create or sustain an estimated 1,930 jobs throughout the economy ⁱⁱ
Transit	Investing \$254 million a year in transit preservation and expansion over the next 20 years would create or sustain an estimated 9,180 jobs throughout the economy each year ⁱⁱⁱ
Waste Water	Investing \$263 million a year in waste water infrastructure over the next 20 years would create or sustain an estimated 5,200 jobs throughout the economy each year ^{iv}
Drinking Water	Investing \$476 million a year in rehabilitating and replacing drinking water infrastructure over the next 20 years would create or sustain an estimated 9,500 jobs throughout the economy each year ^v
Electricity	Investing \$90 million on the Central Ferry-Lower Monumental transmission line will create or sustain an estimated 1,170 jobs throughout the economy ^{vi}
Natural Gas	Replacing the more than 522 miles of “elevated risk” natural gas pipelines with protected steel pipes would create or sustain an estimated 886 jobs throughout the economy ^{vii}
Smart Grid	Investing \$140 million in smart grid advanced metering infrastructure build out per year for 5 ½ years would create or sustain an estimated 3,300 jobs throughout the economy each year ^{viii}

For more information, see the full report at www.bluegreenalliance.org/repairwa

