

CITY OF SHREVEPORT MAYOR ADRIAN PERKINS

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Mayor Perkins backs investment in infrastructure

Mayor Adrian Perkins supports the Senate's passage of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, the largest long-term investment in infrastructure in nearly a century.

"The passing of this landmark legislation is great for Louisiana and the need for action is dire," said Mayor Perkins. "The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act is a crucial investment in areas that will benefit all Americans and help build a more resilient economy. I'm grateful to Senator Bill Cassidy for his integral role in securing this legislation. I had the chance to speak with him and White House staff about how essential this is for the City of Shreveport."

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act will:

- Repair and rebuild roads and bridges. Louisiana could expect to receive \$4.8 billion for federal-aid highway apportioned programs and about \$1 billion for bridge replacement and repairs.
- Help connect every Louisianan to reliable high-speed internet. Louisiana could receive a minimum allocation of \$100 million to help provide broadband coverage across the state, including giving access to at least 470,000 Louisianans who currently lack it.
- Deliver clean drinking water to every Louisianan and eliminate the nation's lead service lines and pipes. Louisiana could receive \$580 million over five years to improve water infrastructure across the state and ensure that clean, safe drinking water is a right in all communities.

The American Society of Civil Engineers gave Louisiana a D+ grade on its infrastructure report card.

The House still must vote on the infrastructure package. Mayor Perkins is requesting for citizens to let Washington know that the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act is needed.

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