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Thank you to all who submitted public comments on the draft PennDOT Pathways PEL Study.

WHAT DID WE HEAR?

The on-demand virtual public meeting for the draft Pathways Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) Study was live from April 29, 2021, to June 1, 2021. In addition to the public meeting site, we held a Telephone Town Hall on May 25, 2021. These were more than 3,000 visits to the public meeting site, more than 100 attended the Telephone Town Hall and collectively, 300 comments were submitted! Your suggestions and input are critical to helping us identify near- and long-term funding solutions that best meet the needs of Pennsylvanians.

WHAT'S NEXT?

We are working to review the comments received and incorporate the input into the PEL Study document. The final PEL Study will be posted to the website later this summer.

In the meantime, the Major Bridge P3 Initiative candidate bridge projects are undergoing environmental reviews which include analyzing potential impacts of drivers avoiding the tolls by traveling on alternative routes, impacts to low-income and minority populations, and other factors. We will hold public meetings to discuss these elements, providing further opportunities for public engagement. This initiative, the first under the PennDOT Pathways Program, was developed in response to one of the early findings of the PEL study - that tolling of major bridges in need of replacement or rehabilitation is a potential viable near-term funding solution.

WHAT IS THE NEED FOR TRANSPORTATION FUNDING?

“We need a big and bold program to modernize our nation’s crumbling infrastructure and we applaud the Biden administration for making infrastructure its top priority. [...] Properly done, a major investment in infrastructure today is an investment in the future, and like a new home, should be paid for over time - say 30 or more years - by the users who benefit from the investment.”

U.S. Chamber of Commerce

DID YOU KNOW?

The design, construction, and maintenance of transportation infrastructure in Pennsylvania supports approximately 200,000 full-time jobs across the state or additional 5.5 million part-time jobs in tourism, which, along with agriculture and manufacturing, rely on our transportation network.

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