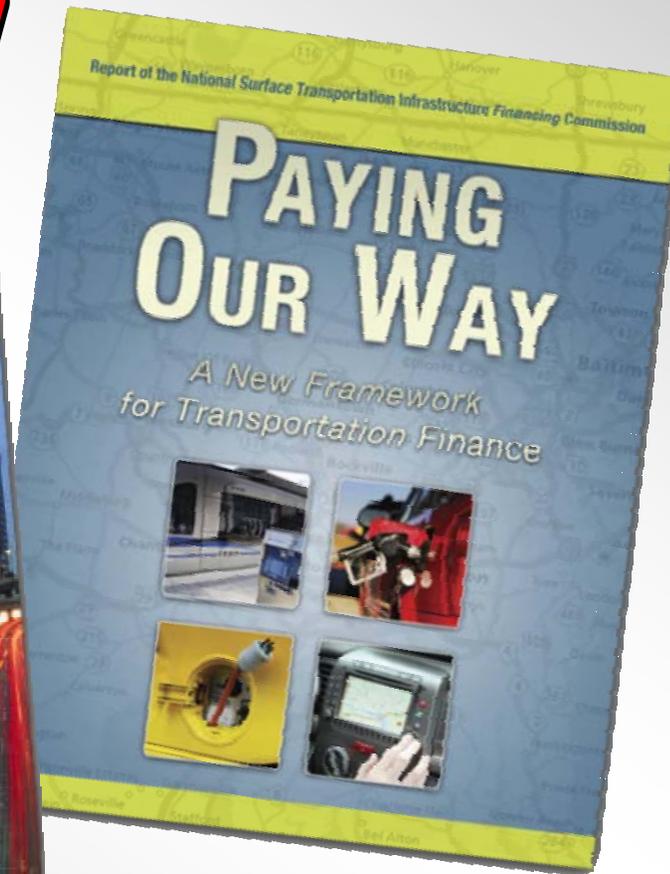
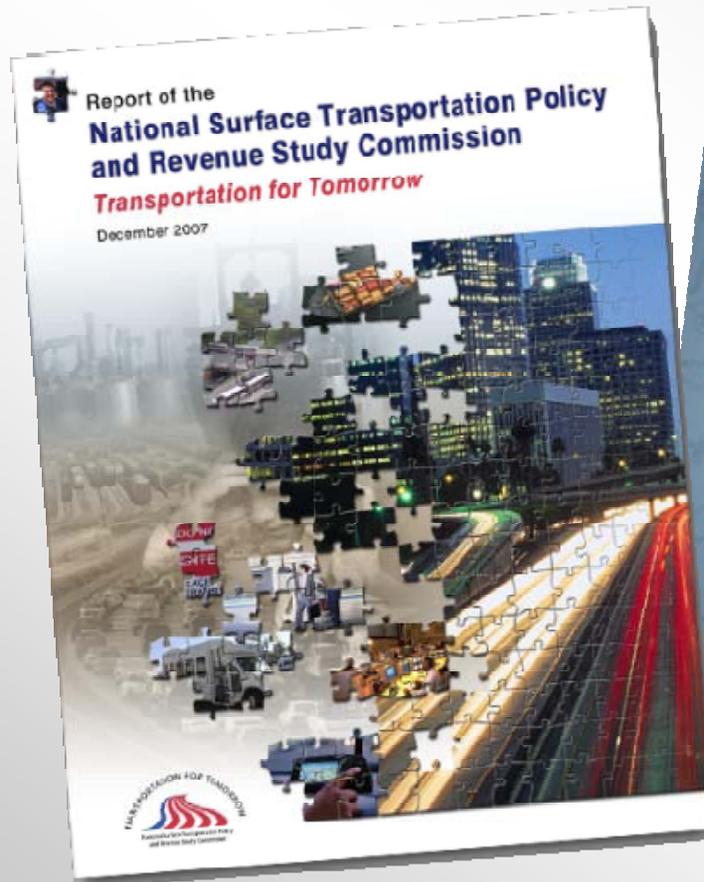


# The National Commissions – Five Years On



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Metropolitan Transportation Commission



“The members of the other party in  
this House are the opposition.  
The Senate is the enemy.”

- Legendary advice to  
House freshmen

# 1) REFOCUS



# A Chicken in Every Pot

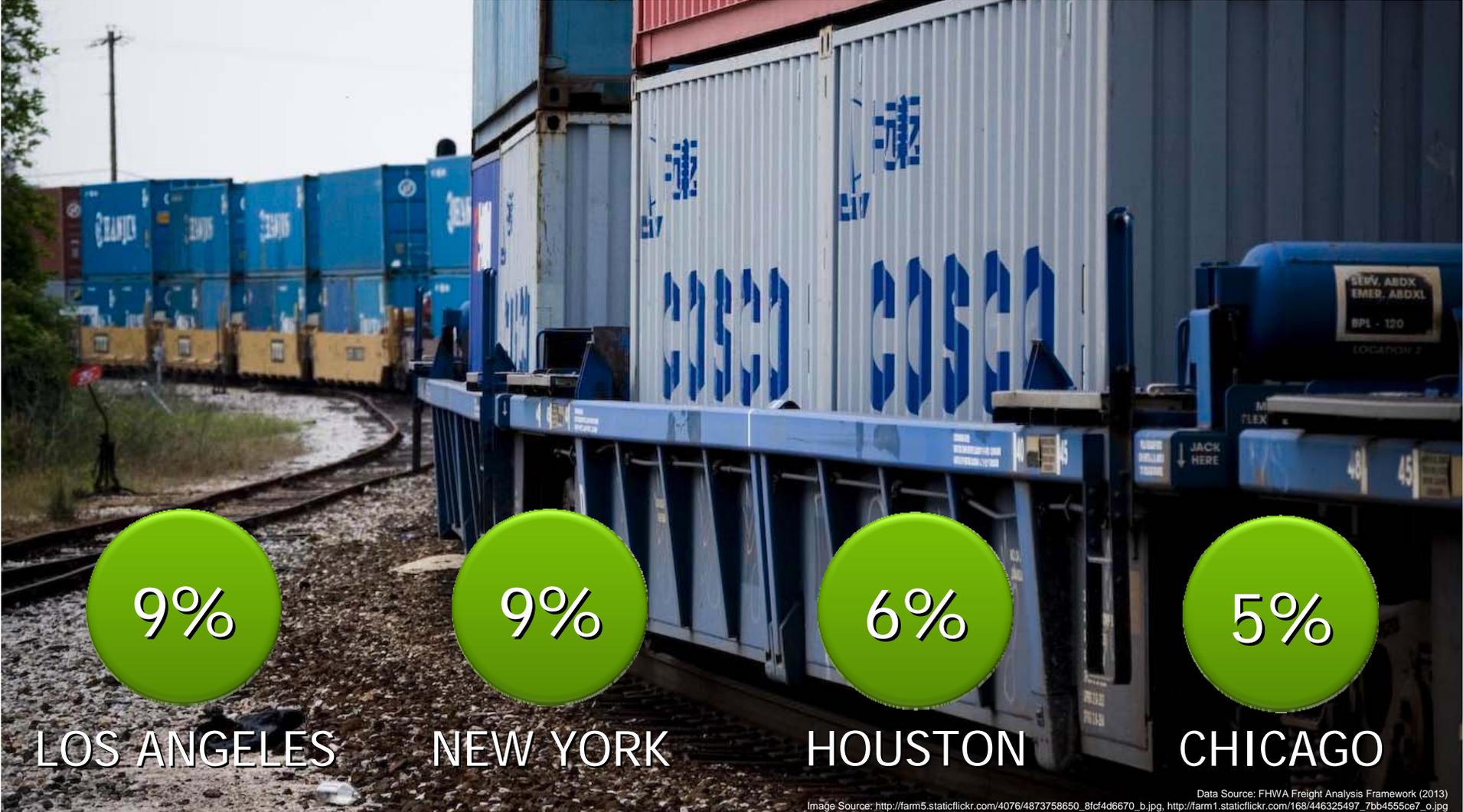


# JUST FOUR METRO AREAS ACCOUNT FOR

29%

OF U.S. GOODS MOVEMENT ACTIVITY

*as measured in dollars of freight flows*



9%

LOS ANGELES

9%

NEW YORK

6%

HOUSTON

5%

CHICAGO

# JUST FOUR METRO AREAS ACCOUNT FOR

54%

OF TOTAL U.S. TRANSIT BOARDINGS



35%

NEW YORK

8%

LOS ANGELES

8%

CHICAGO

6%

SAN FRANCISCO

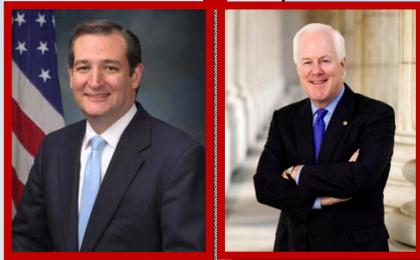
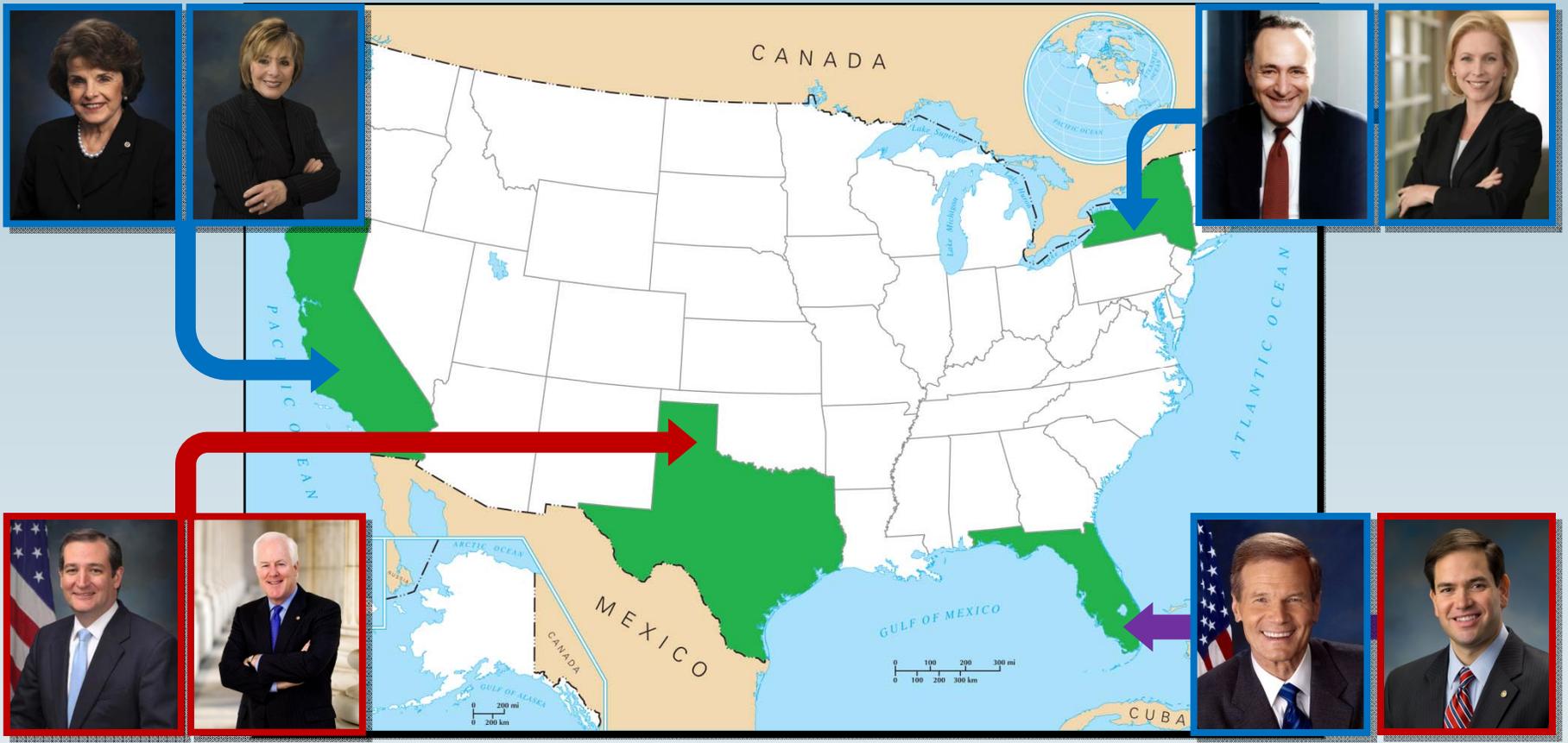
# JUST FOUR STATES' SENATORS ACCOUNT FOR

33%

# OF TOTAL U.S. POPULATION

California

New York



Texas

Florida

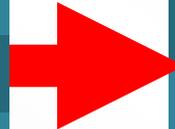
## 2) RESTRUCTURING



# Refocusing the Federal Program Structure

Current Federal Surface Transportation Programs	
Federal Highway Administration	62 Programs
Federal Transit Administration	20 Programs
Federal Railroad Administration	6 Programs
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration	12 Programs
Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration	8 Programs
<b>Total</b>	<b>108 Programs</b>

Source: Policy Commission



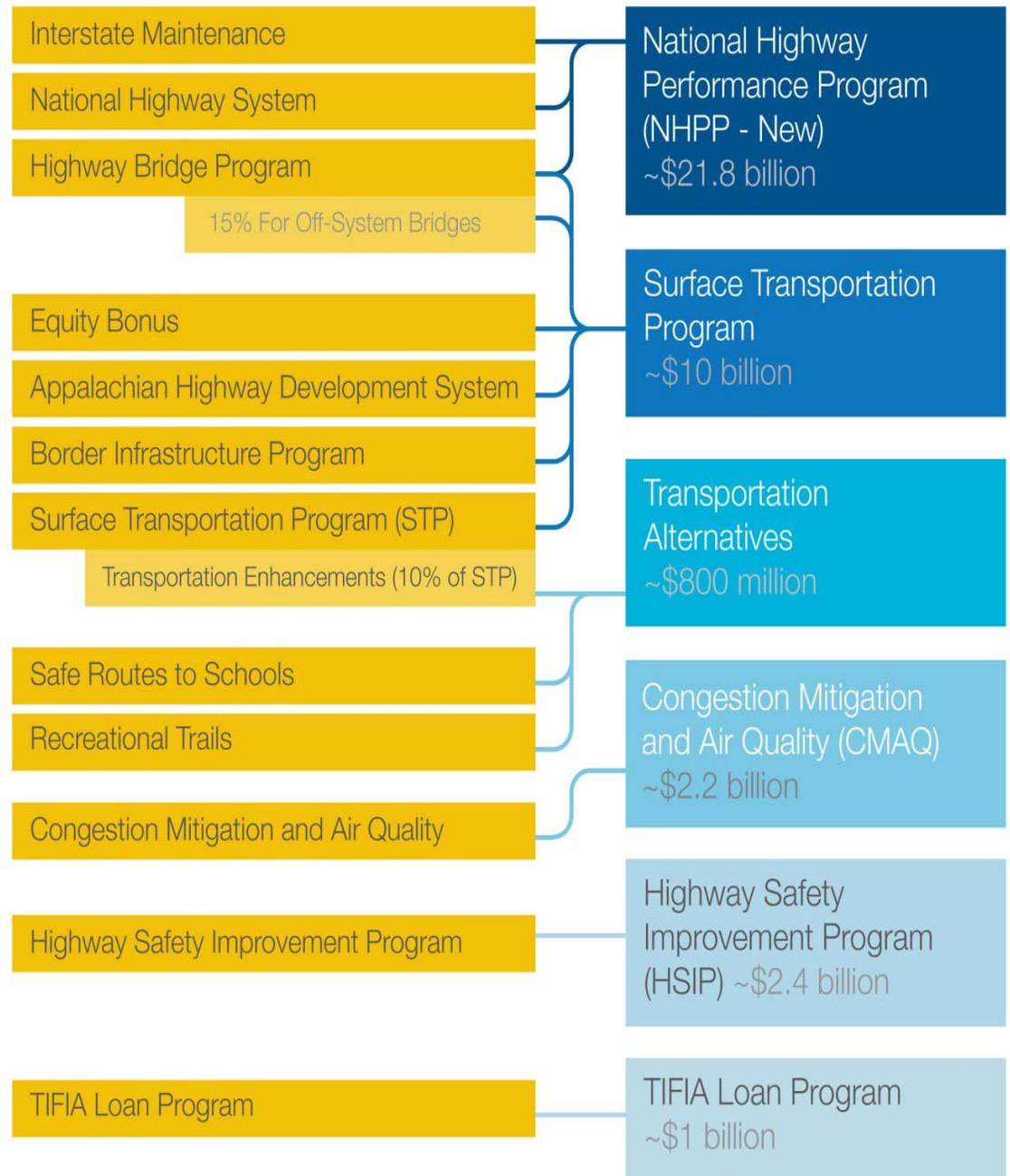
Proposed Federal Surface Transportation Programs	
1.	Rebuilding America: A National Asset Management Program
2.	Freight Transportation: A Program to Enhance U.S. Global Competitiveness
3.	Congestion Relief: A Program to Improve Metropolitan Mobility
4.	Saving Lives: A National Safe Mobility Program
5.	Connecting America: A National Access Program for Smaller Cities and Rural Areas
6.	Intercity Passenger Rail: A Program to Serve High-Growth Corridors by Rail
7.	Environmental Stewardship: A Transportation Investment Program to Support a Healthy Environment
8.	Energy Security: A Program to Accelerate the Development of Environmentally-Friendly Replacement Fuels
9.	Federal Lands: A Program for Providing Public Access
10.	Research, Development and Technology: A Coherent Transportation Research Program for the Nation



# Restructuring of Core Highway Programs Under MAP-21

## Former Formula Programs

## MAP-21 Core Program Structure



# Restructuring of Core Transit Programs Under MAP-21

## Former Core Programs

Urbanized Area & Growing States

Job Access and Reverse Commute

Rural Area Grants

Elderly and Disabled

New Freedom

Bus and Bus Facilities

Fixed Guideway Modernization

New Starts

Alternatives Analysis

## MAP-21 Core Program Structure

Urbanized Areas

~\$4.758 billion

Rural Area Grants

~\$609 million

Elderly and Disabled

~\$591 million

Bus and Bus Facilities

~\$422 million

State of Good Repair

~\$2.136 billion

New Starts

~\$1.907 billion

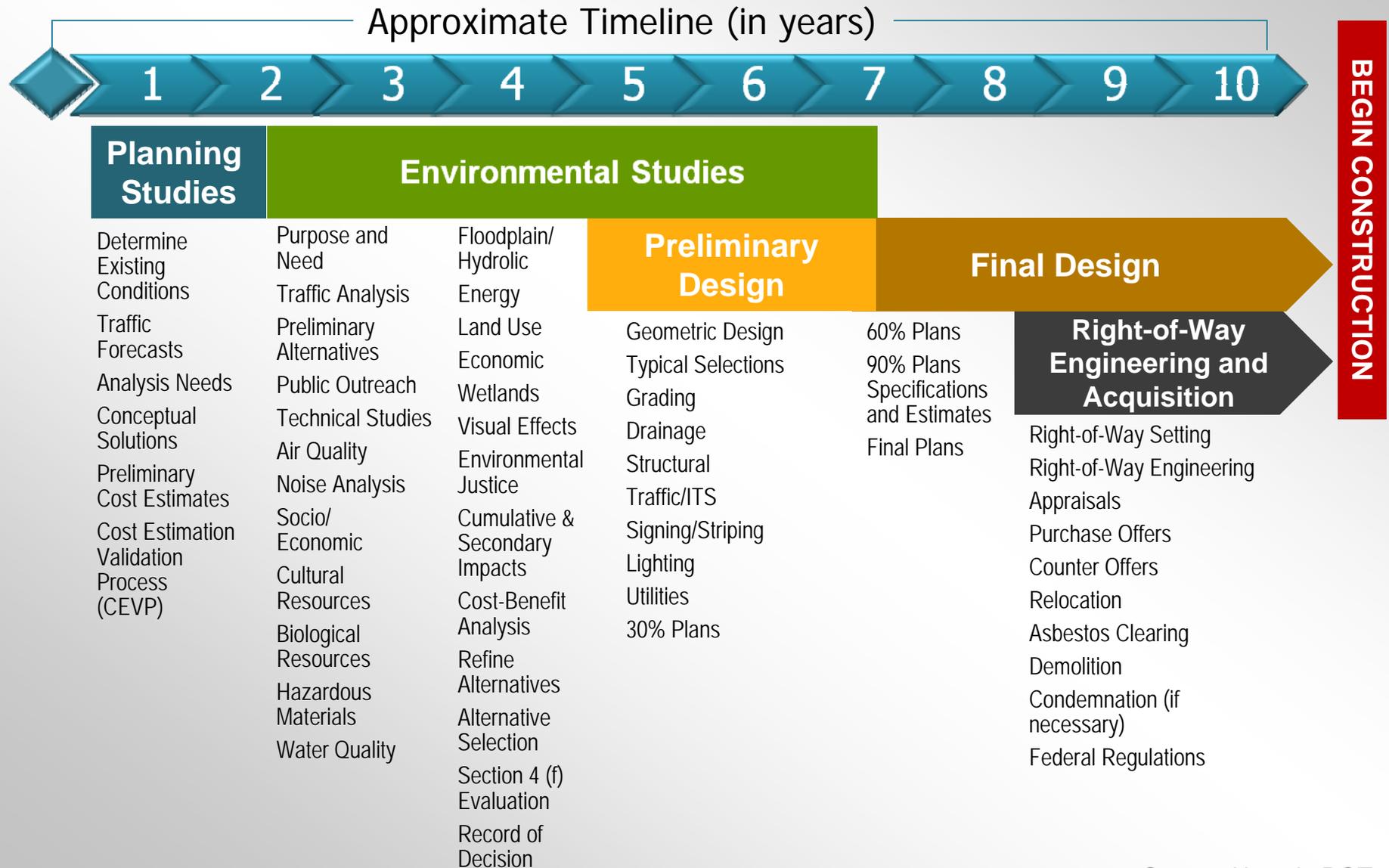
TOD Planning Grants

~\$10 million

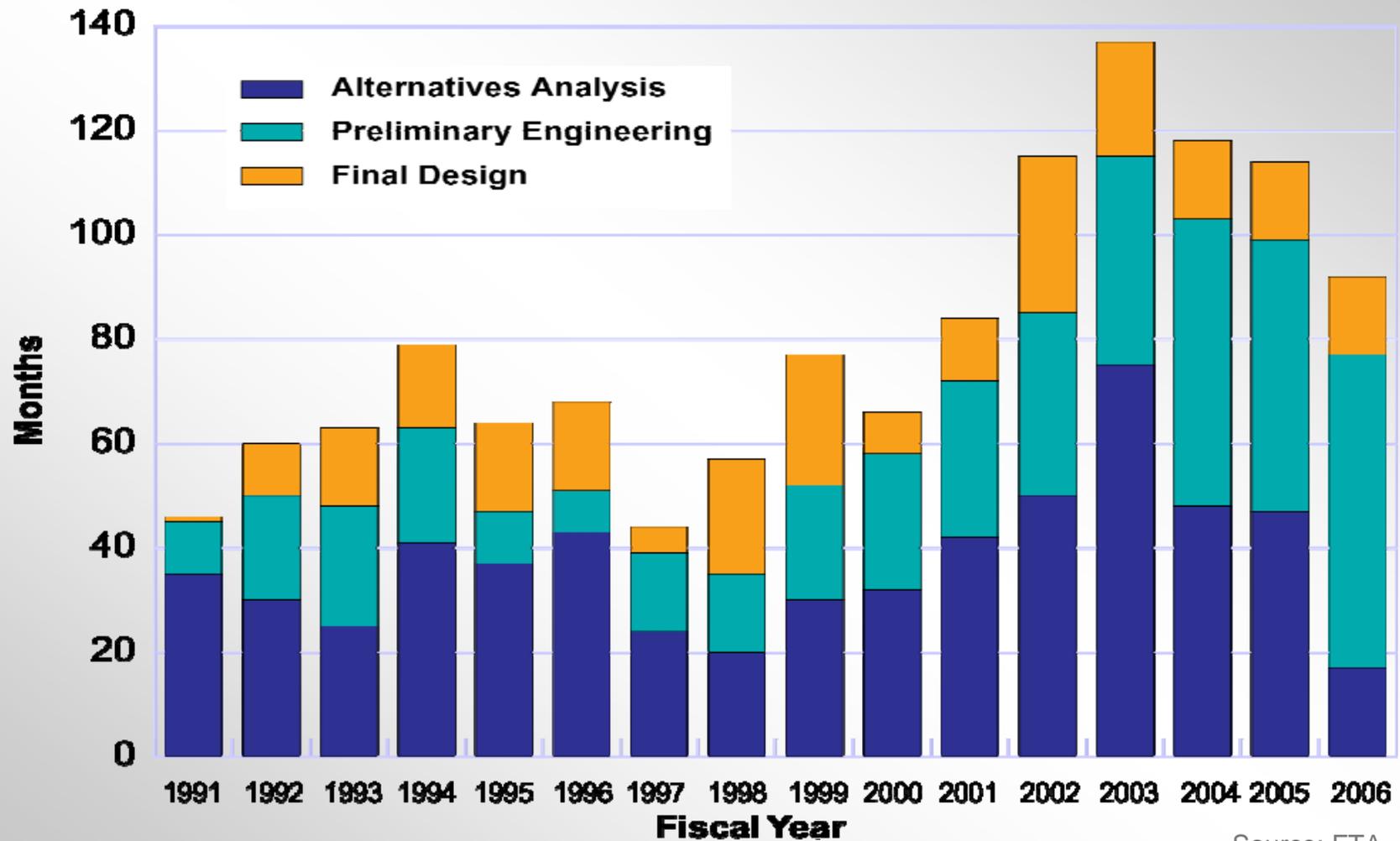


## 3) REFORM

# Typical Transportation Project Development Process



# Time to Complete the New Starts Program



Source: FTA



# Evolving History of Highway Earmark Projects

Authorization Act/ Authorization Period	Number of Projects		Total Funds		Share of Total Authorized Level	
	Number	Percent (%) Increase	\$ Millions	Percent (%) Increase	Total Authorized \$ Millions	Percent of Authorized \$
STAA (1983-86)	10	N/A	\$410	N/A	\$47,933	1%
STURRA (1987-91)	152	1420%	\$890	117%	\$68,821	1%
ISTEA (1992-97)	538	254%	\$6,229	600%	\$121,647	5%
TEA-21 (1998-2003)	1,850	244%	\$9,360	50%	\$173,881	5%
SAFETEA-LU (2005-09)	5,634	205%	\$21,636	131%	\$193,218	11%
MAP-21 (2012-14)	0	-100%	\$0	-100%	\$0	0%

STAA — Surface Transportation Assistance Act of 1982

STURRA — Surface Transportation and Uniform Relocation Assistance Act of 1987

ISTEA — Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991

TEA-21— Transportation Equity Act for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century

SAFETEA-LU— Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users

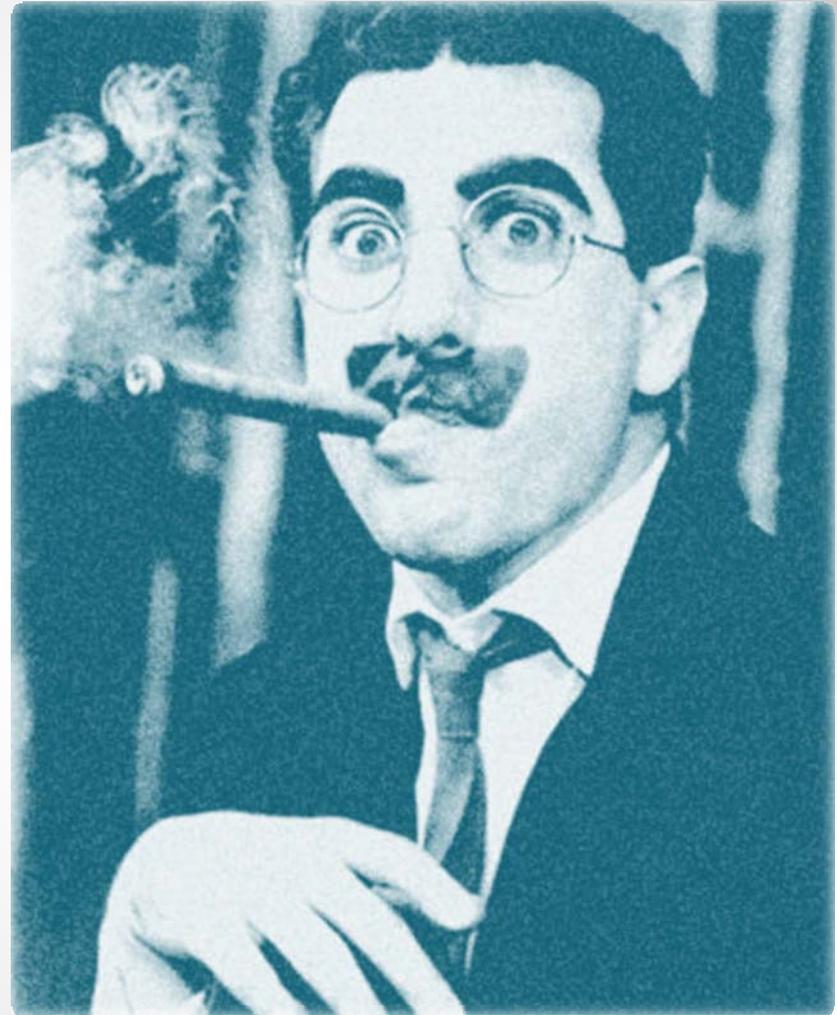
MAP-21 — Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century

Source: Policy Commission



# Shortcomings of Federal Policy

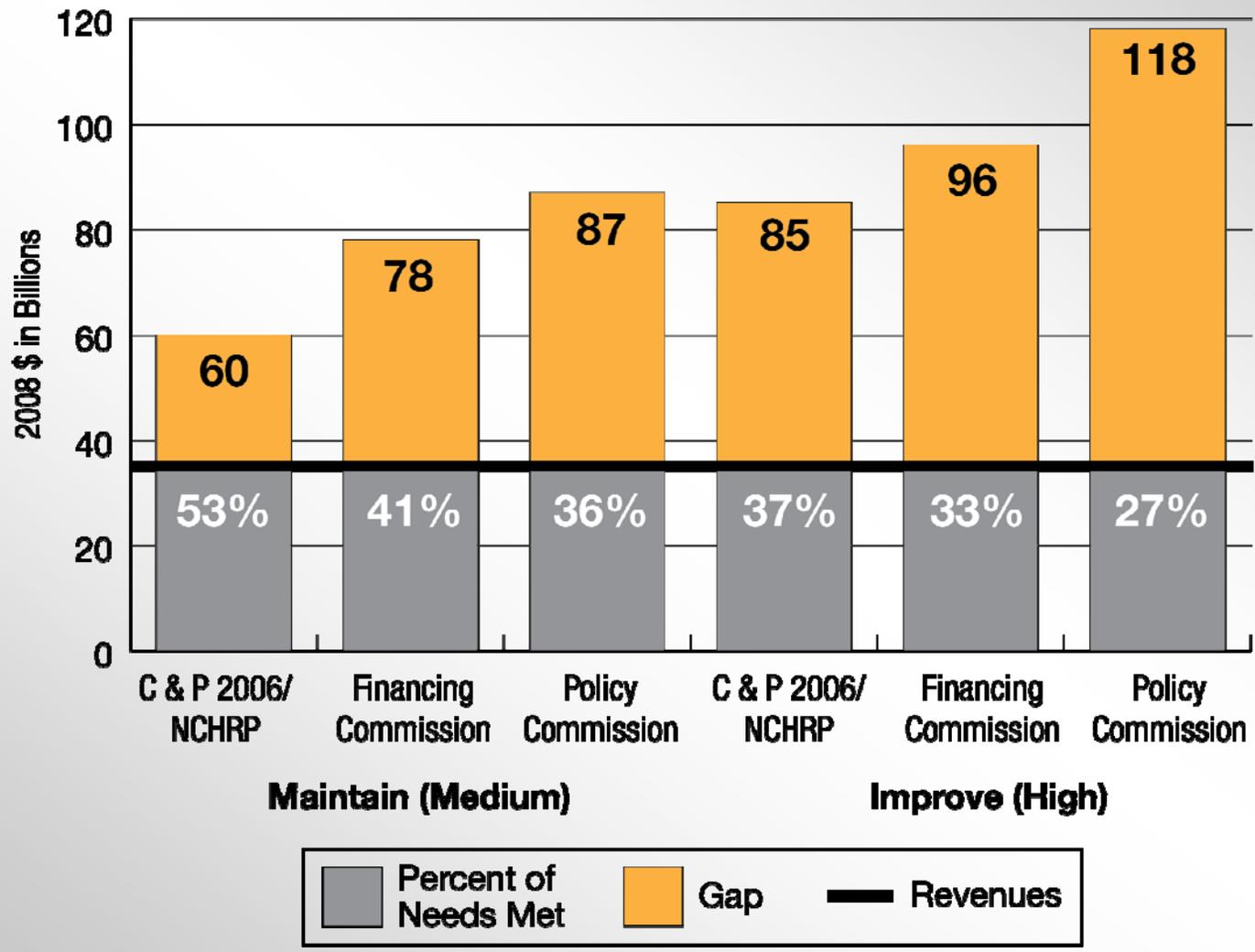
*"The food is lousy, and the portions are so small."*



## 4) REINVESTMENT



# Average Annual Capital Needs and Gap Estimates, Federal Government, 2008-35



Source: Financing Commission



***“Read my lips:  
no new taxes”***

— George H. W. Bush, 1998



***“Under my plan, no  
family making less  
than \$250,000 a year  
will see any form of  
tax increase”***

— Barack Obama, 2008





***“We should look at the vehicular miles program where people are actually clocked on the number of miles that they traveled.”***

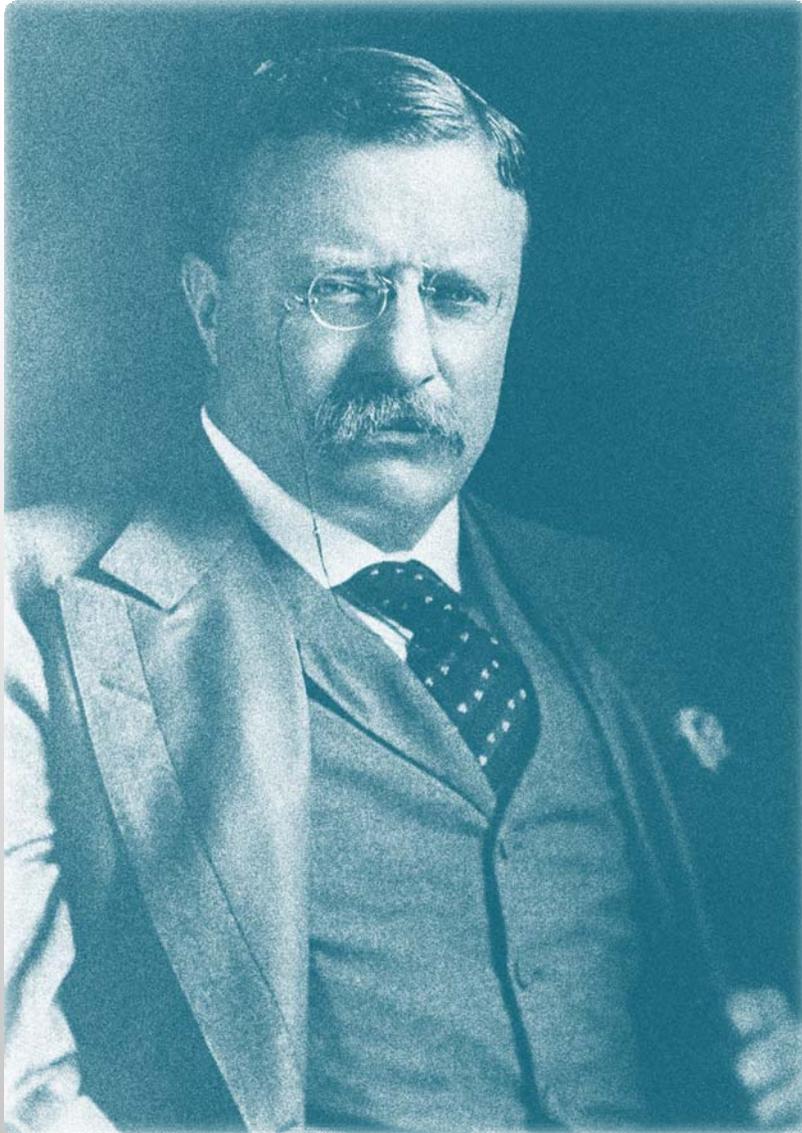
— Ray LaHood, 2009



***“The policy of taxing motorists based on how many miles they have traveled is not and will not be Obama administration policy.”***

— Robert Gibbs, 2009





*“In any moment of decision, the best thing to do is the right thing, the next best thing is the wrong thing, and the worst thing you can do is nothing.”*

