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Kansas Transportation Secretary comments on short-term highway bill

Congressional passage late Thursday of a bill that extends federal highway funding through May provides temporary reassurance that Kansas projects and the jobs they create will continue as planned, said Kansas Transportation Secretary Mike King today.

“Federal funding makes up nearly a quarter of the funding for Kansas’ 10-year transportation program, T-WORKS, so this bill is important to continue the projects that are underway or already scheduled,” said Secretary King.

“But Kansas and the nation still need a multi-year transportation bill from Washington that provides sustainable funding and certainty for departments of transportation as they address important infrastructure needs. In Kansas, transportation projects provide thousands of jobs in both the short and long term. The economic success of our state depends in large part on maintaining and improving our transportation system.”

The \$11 billion bill approved by Congress now goes to the President for his signature.

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