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Ready to Go Local Public Works Projects

| State ¹ | Number of Unfunded Projects | Unfunded Need (in millions of dollars) | Jobs ² |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|--|-------------------|
| Alaska | 2 | 11.5 | 399 |
| Arizona | 196 | 2,508.7 | 87,052 |
| California | 572 | 2,110.2 | 73,224 |
| Colorado | 50 | 169.5 | 5,882 |
| Connecticut | 29 | 42.5 | 1,475 |
| Delaware | 2 | 2.5 | 87 |
| Florida | 228 | 1,020.7 | 35,418 |
| Georgia | 93 | 387 | 13,429 |
| Idaho | 5 | 22.2 | 770 |
| Illinois | 335 | 934 | 32,410 |
| Indiana | 7 | 47.2 | 1,638 |
| Iowa | 43 | 35.1 | 1,218 |
| Kansas | 54 | 165.5 | 5,743 |
| Kentucky | 9 | 57.3 | 1,988 |
| Louisiana | 10 | 816 | 28,315 |
| Maine | 14 | 8.6 | 298 |
| Maryland | 13 | 568.5 | 19,727 |
| Massachusetts | 60 | 297 | 10,306 |
| Michigan | 487 | 921.9 | 31,990 |
| Minnesota | 74 | 338.9 | 11,760 |
| Mississippi | 3 | 2 | 69 |
| Missouri | 168 | 185.3 | 6,430 |
| Montana | 11 | 58.9 | 2,044 |
| Nebraska | 20 | 30.7 | 1,065 |
| Nevada | 43 | 297.9 | 10,337 |

¹ Data was not received from localities in the following states: Alabama, Arkansas, Hawaii, New Mexico, Oklahoma, West Virginia and Wyoming.

² Estimated 34,700 jobs per \$1 billion of investment (U.S. Department of Transportation).

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| New Hampshire | 7 | 7.5 | 260 |
| New Jersey | 22 | 30.6 | 1,062 |
| New York | 163 | 227.6 | 7,898 |
| North Carolina | 76 | 190.2 | 6,600 |
| North Dakota | 1 | 756,548 | 26 |
| Ohio | 47 | 62.7 | 2,176 |
| Oregon | 125 | 480.8 | 16,684 |
| Pennsylvania | 25 | 42.8 | 1,485 |
| Rhode Island | 18 | 84.8 | 2,943 |
| South Carolina | 32 | 235.9 | 8,186 |
| South Dakota | 12 | 5 | 174 |
| Tennessee | 30 | 112 | 3,886 |
| Texas | 152 | 1,729.4 | 59,996 |
| Utah | 33 | 85 | 2,950 |
| Vermont | 9 | 13.8 | 479 |
| Virginia | 46 | 356.2 | 12,360 |
| Washington | 146 | 510.7 | 17,721 |
| Wisconsin | 164 | 139.3 | 4,834 |
| TOTAL | 3,636 Projects | \$15.4 Billion | 532,794 Jobs |

The American Public Works Association (APWA) conducted a survey of its members in November 2008 to collect data on the number of local public works infrastructure projects which are ready to go within 90 days but currently lack the funding to proceed. We believe these projects will create an immediate stimulative impact on the economy. The Ready to Go survey identified more than 3,600 public works projects in localities, with a funding need totaling more than \$15 billion. Fully funding infrastructure projects through a robust national economic recovery program that invests in local infrastructure will create jobs, stimulate economic recovery and lay the foundation for long-term economic growth. Funding these projects, just a sample of the identified local need, would generate approximately 532,794 jobs.

Survey respondents identified road widening, paving, traffic light and signal repair work, highway intersection improvements, storm drain pipe realignments, pumping station improvements, sewer line replacements, treatment plant upgrades, water valve replacement, pedestrian underpass safety improvements and basic sidewalk repair projects that are ready to proceed except for the lack of necessary funding.

APWA's more than 29,500 members design, build, operate, manage, administer and maintain the transportation, water supply, sewage and refuse disposal systems, public buildings, and other structures and facilities essential to our nation's economy and way of life. For more information, please contact Jim Fahey, Director of Government and Public Affairs at (202) 218-6731 or jfahey@apwa.net.