



Transportation Committee

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Transportation Ballot Measures Nationwide

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Attachments: Yes

1. Issue:

Transportation Ballot Measures Nationwide

2. Recommendation:

None, this item is for information only.

3. Background/Analysis:

On November 6, 2018, voters across the country voted on various transportation related ballot measures. At the September 20, 2018, board meeting, SACOG staff provided an overview of a few of the over 300 state, regional, and local transportation related measures expected to be on the ballot. Below are the Election Day results of those measures. Additionally, Attachment A is an analysis by the Eno Center for Transportation (Eno) of the transportation related measures it tracked on the ballot in 2018.

4. Discussion/Analysis:

Ballot based transportation related measures have become more common in recent years. They are most common in the western states, but they are growing in popularity in all regions across the nation, particularly in the south. According to Eno, typically about 70% of measures pass each year, however they are not always positive measures for transportation. Eno is in the process of analyzing the Election Days results of the measures on the ballot in 33 states this November and notes that it appears that voters approved over \$30 billion for transportation. Most of the funding raised was primarily for roads, with funding for transit coming in a distant second. However, there was an overall increase this year in multimodal measures and measures with funding primarily for transit, bike, or pedestrian projects. There is also a growing trend in purely advisory transportation measures. Attachment A is Eno's analysis of transportation ballot measures for 2018. Below are the election results of the previously presented sample of various statewide and local transportation funding measures on the November 2018, ballot.

State of Colorado

Colorado voters rejected two competing transportation funding measures on the statewide ballot this fall. The two measures, both placed on the ballot through the initiative process, took very different approaches to funding transportation in the state. As a result of both measures failing, voters will likely decide on a \$2.3 billion bond measure in 2019 due to a provision in Senate Bill 1 (SB 1). SB 1 was a last-minute compromise this year to allocate \$645 million in onetime transportation funding for the next two fiscal years. It also placed a bond measure on the 2019

ballot if voters did not approve a long-term funding measure in November 2018. The state Department of Transportation says it will cost \$9 billion over the next decade to catch up on maintenance and repairs on the state's roads and bridges.

Proposition 109: Fix Our Damn Roads – Fail (60.72% No)

Would have required the Department of Transportation to issue revenue anticipation notes in a maximum amount of \$3.5 billion to pay for specific transportation projects. It required the Legislature to first make debt-service payments before allocating General Fund revenue to other state programs, placing paying back the bond debt over all other state funding obligations. The bond revenue could only be spent on road and bridge expansion, maintenance, construction and repair for 66 specific projects. Local governments would not receive funding and no money could go towards multi-modal projects.

Proposition 110: Let's Go Colorado – Fail (59.39% No)

Would have increased transportation funding by raising sales taxes by 0.62 percent for 20 years to pay for up to \$6 billion in bonds to fund state transportation projects. It allocated the funding to: state transportation projects and debt service (45%), local governments (40%), and multi-modal transportation projects, such as mass transit, rail, and bicycle lanes (15%).

State of Missouri: Proposition D – Fail (53.625% No)

Would have increased the fuel tax by 10 cents, phased-in over four years. It also taxed alternative fuels at an equivalent rate to the rate on the motor fuel tax, beginning January 1, 2026. This increase would have generated at least \$288 million annually for the state to fund Missouri State law enforcement and \$123 million annually for local governments for road construction and maintenance. The measure was placed on the statewide ballot by the General Assembly.

Scottsdale, Arizona: Ballot Question 1 – Pass (54.50% Yes)

Increases the city's sales tax by one-tenth of one percent (0.10%) for 10 years to provide funds for transportation projects. It is projected to raise \$100 million and will provide Scottsdale with the local funding needed to access an additional \$140 million from Proposition 400, a previously passed Maricopa County-wide half-cent sales tax for transportation. The regional funds are released to cities that match a portion of projects' costs.

Flagstaff, Arizona

The Flagstaff City Council placed three transportation related measures on the November ballot.

Proposition 419 - Continuation of a Sales Tax for Roadway, Pedestrian, Bicycle and Safety Improvements – Pass (64.62% Yes)

Continuation of the levy of three existing sales taxes expiring in 2020 as a single sales tax rate of 0.426 percent to be in effect for a period of 21 years beginning July 1, 2020, to be used for the following purposes:

- Design, construction, reconstruction, improvement, and maintenance of roadways
- Construction, reconstruction, and maintenance of walkways, bike paths, and pedestrian and bicycle crossings
- Technology and signing
- Acquisition of necessary real estate and related interests
- All incidental costs including relocation costs
- Debt service

Proposition 420 - Sales Tax for Lone Tree Railroad Overpass – Pass (51.41% Yes)

Levies a sales tax at a rate of 0.23 percent for 20 years to pay for the Lone Tree Railroad Overpass.

Proposition 421 - Sales Tax for Increasing Transit Services - Fail (50.57% No)

Would have levied a sales tax at a rate of 0.15 percent for 11 years to pay for an increase in public transportation including constructing, acquiring, operating, and maintaining equipment and facilities for more frequent transit service within the City of Flagstaff.

Broward County, Florida: County Question Funding For Countywide Transportation System Improvement – Pass (59.98% Yes)

Increases the county's sales tax from six to seven percent to pay for transportation projects. The increase is expected to raise \$16 billion to go towards projects that reduce traffic congestion, improve roads and bridges, enhance traffic signal synchronization, develop safe sidewalks and bicycle pathways, expand and operate bus and special needs transportation, implement rail along approved corridors, and implement emerging transportation technologies. County Commissioners discussed potential projects, including establishing a light-rail commuter service and creating more rapid and express bus routes.

Bainbridge Island, Washington – Proposition 1 – Fail (54.09% No)

Would have increased property taxes by an amount estimated to generate \$15 million over seven years to be used for non-motorized transportation projects. The estimated increase to the property tax rate was \$0.28 per \$1,000 of assessed value. Potential projects included shoulder improvements on major island roads, safe routes to school projects and other off-road trail/pathway projects, targeted pedestrian improvements, and specific regional trail expansion.

5. Fiscal Impact/Grant Information:

This item has no direct fiscal impact.

6. This staff report aligns with the following SACOG Work Plan Goals:

- 2 - Benchmark Ourselves Against Peer Regions
- 9 - Better Connect & Communicate with Members & Regional Electeds

Attachments:

Attachment - Transportation at the Ballot Box: 2018



Transportation at the Ballot Box: 2018

By Robert Puentes · Updated November 5, 2018

The midterm elections in November 2018 hold major political ramifications for the United States given the high-profile Congressional, gubernatorial, statehouse, and mayoral choices American voters will consider. But Election Day also plays a critical role in shaping communities from coast-to-coast in the form of investments and decisions about transportation.

Over the past fifteen years, voters across the country regularly endorsed a large share of the ballot measures for transportation projects. In most years the approval rate hovers around 70 percent.¹ In the notable 2016 election, voters considered nearly \$250 billion in new revenues for transportation projects.² They appeared on the state level in places like New Jersey, Rhode Island, and Maine; in major metropolitan areas like Los Angeles, Seattle, and Atlanta; and smaller places like Flagstaff and Charleston. Ballot measures help support a wide variety of transportation investments, including roads and bridges, public transit, non-motorized projects for bicycles and pedestrians, and even air and seaports. They are supported by a wide variety of funding and finance options especially sales and property taxes.

In the United States, ballot measures take the form of initiatives or referendums. They can be citizen-referred and placed on the ballot through the collection of voter signatures, for example. They can also be referred to voters by legislatures to address a discrete question or spending proposal, or else be part of state rules that require constituent approval for certain tax increases. All states allow for legislative referendums, but only twenty-four provide for citizen referendums.³

Particularly in this time of partisan rancor and legislative gridlock, initiatives and referendums hold great potential for pragmatic leaders and citizens interested in taking action on transportation. Ballot measures for transportation are especially important today because the Trump Administration places a heavy emphasis on states and localities increasing the threshold for local matching dollars in order to compete for limited federal resources to fund current or future projects.⁴ Places without the legislative or fiscal ability to use ballot measures may find themselves at a competitive disadvantage in attracting federal transportation dollars.⁵

For these reasons, Eno tracks, catalogues, and analyzes the measures that will appear, or have already appeared, before voters in 2018.⁶ So far, the results are impressive.

1 See, e.g., the works cited in Rebecca Lewis, Tyce Herrman, and Matthew Bean, "Sustainable Transportation at the Ballot Box," University of Oregon Sustainable Cities Initiative, 2017.

2 Bart Jansen, "States, Counties, Cities Vote on \$250 billion in Transportation Initiatives," *USA Today*, November 7, 2016.

3 Wendy Underhill, "Initiative, Referendum, and Recall," National Conference of State Legislatures, 2012.

4 Patrick Sisson, "Trump's Infrastructure Plan: Small Federal Investment, More State and Local Control," *Curbed*, February 12, 2018.

5 Transportation for America, "A Vital Tool in the Transportation-Funding Toolbox," July 23, 2018.

6 Eno has tracked transportation-related measures for the last three years. Older analyses are available here: <https://www.enotrans.org/article/transportation-ballot-measures-recap>.

Preliminary Findings

There are at least 314 measures on the ballot this November to go along with the 197 that have already appeared before voters earlier this year.⁷ Exactly two-thirds of the states (33) have had some form of a transportation measure, the vast majority of which are on the local and county level but there are also been 13 statewide measures and five regional ones. They are most prevalent in the West and Midwest, with a smaller share in the South and only a handful in the Northeast.

It is important to note that, in terms of the overall count, about two-thirds of transportation-related measures are in just two places: Michigan and Ohio. These states require certain tax questions to go before voters, therefore routine property tax measures to generate revenue for local street maintenance are numerous in Michigan in August and in Ohio in November.⁸ These are usually quite small and overwhelmingly popular. Michigan voters already approved 95 percent of this year's local road questions, with an average of \$482,000 annually. Both states also have measures for other modes such as public transit, but for this analysis the local road questions in those states are kept separate.

Despite the number of local road measures in Michigan and Ohio, their national footprint is relatively small. As shown in Table 1, those represent only three percent of the total amount of possible funding (and four percent of what was approved) prior to November 2018. For measures in the upcoming election, their total is less than one percent.

Table 1: Total Amount of Transportation Funding Considered by Voters, 2018

	Total	Pass	Fail	Amount considered	Amount approved
Prior to November 2018	44	41	3	\$12,626,801,458	\$6,629,901,458
Michigan local roads	153	146	7	\$402,298,198	\$252,841,293
TOTAL	196	186	10	\$13,029,099,656	\$6,882,741,751
November 2018	118			\$49,861,625,880	
Michigan and Ohio local roads	173			\$364,205,825	
TOTAL	291			\$50,225,831,705	

Overall, voters considered \$13 billion in transportation funding so far in 2018 and approved a little over half of that total, although only three measures failed. The primary reason is Davidson County's sound rejection of an ambitious \$5.3 billion measure for public transit in and around Nashville last May.⁹ An average of \$184 million per measure was approved so far this year including several major multi-year packages such as a \$4.5 billion traffic relief measure in the San Francisco Bay Area and nearly \$1 billion for a range of transportation projects in Kansas City.

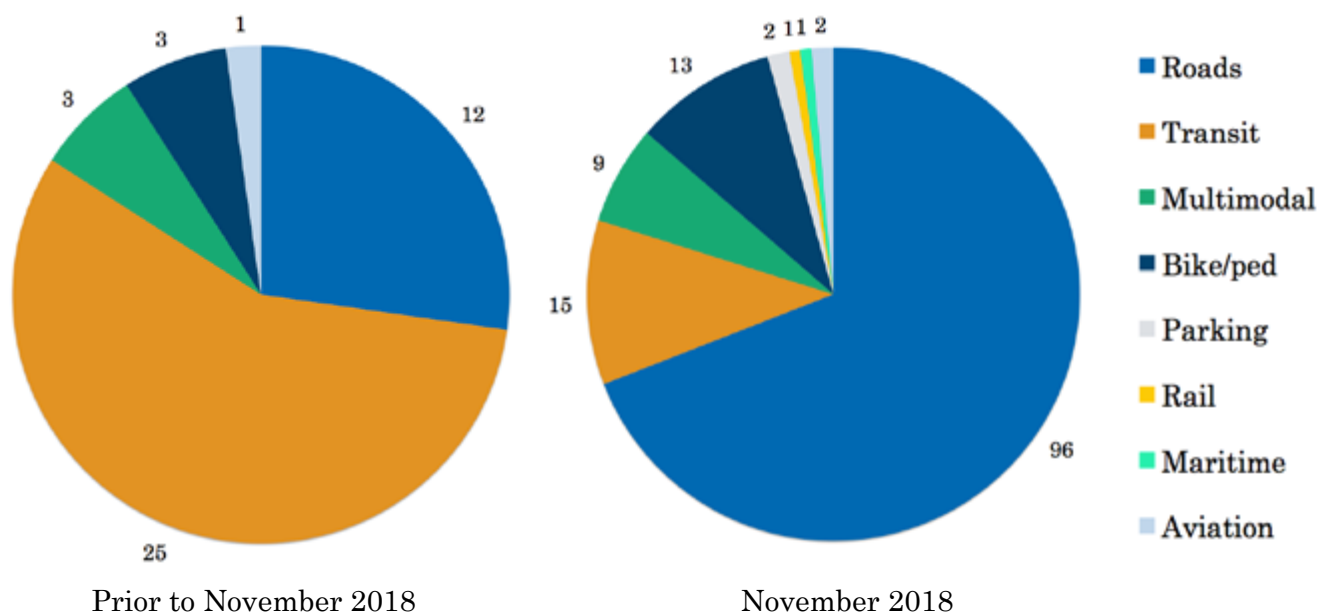
⁷ The database of measures on the ballot for this November is continually updated as measures are announced.

⁸ See, e.g., "Michigan Assessors Manual," State Tax Commission, 2018.

⁹ Jeff Davis, "What Did Transit Advocates Get Wrong In Nashville?," *Eno Transportation Weekly*, May 8, 2018.

A vast number of transportation ballot measures are for local roads. However, removing the peculiarities of the routine approvals in Michigan and Ohio, the modal splits are much more even as shown in Figure 1. Understanding the precise mode for each measure is not always straightforward. Some, such as San Mateo County’s \$2.4 billion Measure W, are clearly multimodal as the funding is allocated across a range of rail, transit, road, and pedestrian projects.¹⁰ Others are predominantly for road projects but also include bike/pedestrian elements to a much smaller degree. Seventeen measures include non-motorized transportation as “secondary” modes.

Figure 1: Transportation-related Ballot Measures by Mode, 2018



Note: Michigan and Ohio local road millages omitted.

Ballot measures raise revenue for transportation measures in a wide variety of ways. The most popular in 2018 are property taxes (49), sales taxes (51), and bonds (51).¹¹ (Considering bonds as “revenue” is, of course, dubious and the debt must be paid back from a variety of other sources such as property taxes. This analysis includes it here since that is the way it is presented to voters.) Transportation-specific user fees like tolls and vehicle registration fees are surprisingly scarce, with only one measure for each of those sources. There is one major question before voters in Missouri to raise the state’s gasoline tax, and one in California to repeal a recent fuel tax increase. Voters in DuPage County, Illinois will decide whether they want to oppose the state’s decision to create a Vehicle Mileage Travelled (VMT) charge. In 2018, voters will also consider other mechanisms for transportation revenue like a hotel tax in Sausalito, California, a carbon tax in Washington State, and an excise tax on recreational marijuana in Michigan.

¹⁰ San Mateo County, Impartial Analysis of Measure M, undated. Available: <https://www.smcacre.org/november-6-2018-election-information>

¹¹ Excludes Michigan and Ohio local road property taxes.

A handful of measures are for other kinds of approvals or else are purely advisory as officials judge the appetite of the electorate for potential tax increases in the future. These include a transportation-focused land use plan update in Buckeye, Arizona, and a request that voters allow an airstrip to be built in Leighton Township, Michigan. (Both already passed.) This November, Utah's legislature is asking voters to advise it whether or not it should approve a gasoline tax increase and Barrington, Illinois wants to know if residents want it to restrict commuter parking.

Next Steps

As the results come in on Election Day in November, Eno will conduct deeper analyses of these measures including their outcomes. What matters now is how prominent they are across the country, in large cities and small communities, for mega projects and routine maintenance, demonstrating—in part—the demand and attention to transportation today. Each of these measures has its own story. It could be the end product of the deliberations of a community task force, a citizen response to inaction by local officials, a bond or tax increase proposed by a newly elected official, or a politically-motivated measure where transportation is more of a byproduct than the intentional focus. Overall they show voters' willingness to act on and experiment with a variety of solutions.

But it is also important to note that despite their prevalence, many jurisdictions across the country do not have the fiscal capacity to raise revenue at the ballot box. What works in Sausalito may not be possible in Flint.¹² So while transportation-related votes have considerable impact in many communities they are not a panacea or a substitute for federal and state action. In the same way, longstanding inequities will not be resolved with a simple flip of a lever in the voting booth.

To provide more flavor for key ballot measures, Eno recently launched a podcast series of interviews with experts. Each mini-episode features an in-depth discussion about a single measure including its background, potential outcomes, and implications nationally. They can be accessed on our website or the usual podcast sources.

Database Methodology and Caveats

The transportation-related measures were identified from thousands of state and local ballot measures voters will consider this year. It is usually not difficult to identify those that are specific to transportation, however different communities describe these investments differently.

¹² Adie Tomer and Joseph Kane, "Localities Will Deliver the Next Wave of Transportation Investment," Brookings Institution, January, 2018.

Localities in California, for example, put forth numerous measures designed to fund a general set of local facilities and services. These include transportation elements like streets and sidewalk maintenance but also fire and police services and other local priorities. Sometimes details are available as to the funding breakdowns for those measures that include sectors beyond transportation—like San Jose’s Measure T. In those instances only the transportation-related revenue is included in this analysis.

If transportation was not identified as a significant or predominant focus of the measure, it was not included in the database. Also not included are measures to elect local officials to post such as Road Commissioner or similar, nor are measures to raise revenue or decide issues related to school transportation.

It is occasionally difficult to determine the total amount of funding voters approved because some measures are ongoing, or continuing in perpetuity. In those cases, the annual amount raised is multiplied by 20 years to determine a “total”. As noted, reporting on measures that issue debt in the form of bonds and combining that with measures that rely in a sales tax, for example, may be suspect. Those measures are included here, however, because that is how they are presented to voters and the “revenue” must be repaid through some other source. It is the voters’ sentiment to make such investments that we endeavored to capture.

In identifying relevant measures, we relied principally on information gathered directly from state and local boards of elections, officials, local and regional media, and specialty websites like Ballotpedia. The media reports on large measures and there is usually considerable information about each. Small, local, and routine measures are difficult to uncover and even more challenging to determine their details such as length and amount raised.

Therefore, this database will be continually updated. To contribute measures not included, please email publicaffairs@enotrans.org.

Finally, the Eno Center for Transportation does not endorse or oppose any of the measures in this document. The information is provided for research purposes only.

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Month	Region	State	Place	Geography	Title	Identifier	Summary	Primary mode	Secondary mode	Amount (Total)	Amount (Annual)	Result
March	W	CA	El Dorado County	County	Measure B	Property tax	Road maintenance	Roads		\$200,000	\$10,000	PASS
March	W	CA	El Dorado County	County	Measure C	Property tax	Road maintenance	Roads		\$200,000	\$10,000	PASS
April	W	AK	Anchorage	Local	Proposition 4	Bonds	General transportation rep	Roads		\$17,825,000	\$891,250	PASS
April	W	AK	Anchorage	Local	Proposition 8	Bonds	Upgrading transit facilities	Transit		\$1,188,000	\$594,000	PASS
April	MW	MO	Kansas City	Local	Question 1	Sales tax	General transportation investments	Roads		\$924,000,000	\$46,200,000	PASS
May	S	GA	Region - Middle Georgia	Regional	T-SPLOST	Sales tax	General transportation investments	Roads		\$637,000,000	\$63,700,000	FAIL
May	S	GA	Region - South Georgia	Regional	T-SPLOST	Sales tax	General transportation investments	Roads		\$500,000,000	\$50,000,000	PASS
May	MW	NB	Omaha	Local	Question 5	Bonds	General transportation investments	Roads		\$151,300,000	\$37,825,000	PASS
May	S	TN	Davidson County	County	Transit Improvement Program Referendum	Sales tax, hotel tax, business and excise tax, car rental tax	Transit expansion	Transit		\$5,354,000,000	\$3,569,333,333	FAIL
May	S	TX	Arlington	Local	Proposition A	Sales tax	Street repair and maintenance	Roads	Bike/Ped	\$137,835,000	\$17,229,375	PASS
June	S	AL	Franklin County	County	Transportation Rehabilitation and Improvement Program	Sales tax	General transportation repair and investments	Roads		\$1,000,000	\$500,000	PASS
June	W	CA	9 county region	Regional	Measure 3: Traffic Relief Plan	Tolls	Relieving traffic and enhancing public transit in bridge corridors	Multimodal		\$4,500,000,000	\$750,000,000	PASS
Aug	W	AZ	Buckeye	Local	Proposition 410: Imagine Buckeye 2040	Advisory	General Plan Update	Multimodal		n/a	n/a	PASS
Aug	W	CA	STATEWIDE	Statewide	Proposition 69: Transportation Taxes and Fees Lockbox and Appropriations Limit Exemption Amendment	Constitutional amendment	Transportation lockbox	Multimodal		n/a	n/a	PASS
Aug	MW	MI	Addison	Local	Transit renewal	Property tax	Dial-a-ride services	Transit		\$423,230	\$84,646	PASS
Aug	MW	MI	Bedford	Local	Transit renewal	Property tax	Dial-a-ride services	Transit				PASS
Aug	MW	MI	Bennington	Local	Public Transportation	Property tax	General public transit services	Transit		\$164,410	\$32,882	PASS
Aug	MW	MI	Bloomfield	Local	Safety path millage renewal	Property tax	Pedestrian rights-of-way	Bike/ped		\$9,250,000	\$1,850,000	PASS
Aug	MW	MI	Burtchville	Local	Bus Millage	Property tax	Twp. Bus Transportation	Transit		\$121,472	\$60,736	PASS

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Aug	MW	MI	Caledonia	Local	Public Transportation	Property tax	General public transit services	Transit		\$151,870	\$30,374	PASS
Aug	MW	MI	Corunna	Local	Public Transit Millage	Property tax	General public transit services	Transit		\$75,828	\$18,957	PASS
Aug	MW	MI	Crawford County	County	Crawford County Transportation Authority Millage Proposal	Property tax	Purchase buses	Transit		\$399,660	\$133,220	PASS
Aug	MW	MI	Durand	Local	Public Transportation	Property tax	Subsidizing public transportation	Transit		\$37,425	\$12,745	PASS
Aug	MW	MI	Garden City	Local	Garden City Roads Vote	Bond		Roads		\$15,000,000	\$3,000,000	PASS
Aug	MW	MI	Genesee County	County	Mass Transportation Authority millage	Property tax	General public transit services	Transit		\$16,500,000	\$3,300,000	PASS
Aug	MW	MI	Independence	Local	Safety path millage renewal	Property tax	Pedestrian rights-of-way	Bike/ped		\$6,842,120	\$684,212	PASS
Aug	MW	MI	Lake County	County	Transit renewal	Property tax	Dial-a-ride services	Transit		\$1,087,820	\$217,564	PASS
Aug	MW	MI	Leighton	Local	Leighton Twp. airstrip development ballot question:	Advisory		Airport		n/a	n/a	PASS
Aug	MW	MI	Macomb County	County	Macomb County Transportation Authority Millage	Property tax	Support to the Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation	Transit		\$108,322,324	\$27,080,581	PASS
Aug	MW	MI	Marshall	Local	Road Improvements Bond Proposal	Bonds	Road maintenance	Roads		\$5,900,000	\$393,333	FAIL
Aug	MW	MI	Niles	Local	Transit renewal	Property tax	Dial-a-ride services	Transit		\$186,424	\$93,212	PASS
Aug	MW	MI	Oakland County	County	Oakland County Transportation Authority Millage	Property tax	Support to the Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation	Transit		\$124,000,000	\$31,000,000	PASS
Aug	MW	MI	Ogemaw County	County	Public Transit Millage Renewal	Property tax	Dial-a-ride services	Transit		\$1,278,545	\$255,709	PASS
Aug	MW	MI	Orion	Local	Transit renewal	Property tax	Dial-a-ride services	Transit		\$8,374,605	\$1,674,921	PASS
Aug	MW	MI	Orion	Local	Safety path millage renewal	Property tax	Pedestrian rights-of-way	Bike/ped		\$3,840,590	\$384,059	PASS
Aug	MW	MI	Owosso	Local	Public Transportation	Property tax	General public transit services	Transit		\$408,190	\$81,638	PASS
Aug	MW	MI	Oxford	Local	Transit renewal	Property tax	Dial-a-ride services	Transit		\$1,038,450	\$207,690	PASS
Aug	MW	MI	Pere Marquette	Local	Public Transportation Service Millage Renewal	Property tax	General public transit services	Transit		\$936,000	\$234,000	PASS
Aug	MW	MI	Presque Isle County	County	Public Transit Millage Renewal	Property tax	Dial-a-ride services	Transit		\$835,295	\$167,059	PASS

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Aug	MW	MI	St. Joseph County	County	St. Joseph County Transportation Authority millage	Property tax	Dial-a-ride services	Transit		\$2,600,000	\$650,000	PASS
Aug	MW	MI	St. Joseph County	County	Bus Millage	Property tax	General public transit services	Transit		\$2,622,728	\$655,682	PASS
Aug	MW	MI	Washtenaw County	County	Public Transportation millage	Property tax	General public transit services	Transit		\$19,396,264	\$4,849,066	PASS
Aug	MW	MI	Wayne County	County	Wayne County Transportation Authority Millage	Property tax	Support to the Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation	Transit		\$67,360,208	\$16,840,052	PASS
Aug	W	NM	Valencia County	County	Road Bonds Question	Bonds	Repair roads and interchanges	Roads		\$5,100,000	\$1,020,000	PASS
Nov	S	AL	Franklin County	County	Local Amendment No. 1	Sales tax	Road and bridge improvements	Roads		\$15,000,000	\$500,000	
Nov	S	AL	Marengo County	County	Amendment 1	Advisory	To allow operation of golf carts on public roads	Roads		n/a	n/a	
Nov	S	AL	Mobile County	County	Pay-As-You-Go Bonds	Bonds	Road and bridge improvements	Roads		\$60,000,000	\$4,615,384	
Nov	W	AZ	Clarkdale	Local	Proposition 445	Bonds	Public road improvements	Roads		\$6,000,000	\$600,000	
Nov	W	AZ	Flagstaff	Local	Proposition 419: Connecting Our Community	Sales tax	General transportation improvements	Roads	Bike/Ped	\$266,000,000	\$12,666,666	
Nov	W	AZ	Flagstaff	Local	Proposition 420: Bridging the Tracks	Sales tax	Mainly a new bridge/overpass	Roads		\$132,000,000	\$6,600,000	
Nov	W	AZ	Flagstaff	Local	Proposition 421: More Buses More Often	Sales tax	General transit improvements	Transit		\$41,000,000	\$3,727,272	
Nov	W	AZ	Pima County	County	Proposition 463: Just Fix Our Roads	Bonds	Regional road reconstruction, preservation and repair	Roads		\$430,000,000	\$35,833,333	
Nov	W	AZ	Scottsdale	Local	Question 1: Transportation Project Transaction Privilege Tax	Sales tax	Transportation improvement projects	Roads		\$100,000,000	\$10,000,000	
Nov	W	AZ	Tucson	Local	Proposition 407	Bonds	Bike and Pedestrian Safety and Walkability	Bike/Ped		\$67,100,000	\$7,455,555	
Nov	W	AZ	Yuma	Local	Proposition 411	Sales tax	General street improvemer	Roads		\$200,000,000	\$10,000,000	

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Nov	W	CA	STATEWIDE	Statewide	Proposition 6: Voter Approval for Future Gas and Vehicle Taxes and 2017 Tax Repeal Initiative	Constitutional amendment	Repeals fuel tax increases and vehicle fees	Multimodal		n/a	n/a	
Nov	W	CA	Bolinas Community	Local	Measure X	Advisory	Restrict overnight parking	Parking		n/a	n/a	
Nov	W	CA	Del Norte	County	Measure C	Hotel tax	Harbor improvements	Maritime		\$5,240,000	\$262,000	
Nov	W	CA	Dixon	Local	Measure N	Sales tax	Street improvements	Roads		\$14,000,000	\$1,400,000	
Nov	W	CA	Eureka	Local	Measure I	Sales tax	Street improvements	Roads		\$44,000,000	\$2,200,000	
Nov	W	CA	Los Gatos	Local	Measure G	Sales tax	General transportation improvements	Roads		\$16,000,000	\$800,000	
Nov	W	CA	Marin County	County	Measure A Renewal	Sales tax	Transportation improvements	Multimodal		\$810,000,000	\$27,000,000	
Nov	W	CA	Monterey	Local	Measure S	Sales tax	City streets, sidewalks, and ADA access	Roads	Bike/Ped	\$64,000,000	\$8,000,000	
Nov	W	CA	Paso Robles	Local	Measures K and N	Sales tax	City streets and sidewalks	Roads	Bike/Ped	\$28,500,000	\$4,750,000	
Nov	W	CA	Rincon Ranch	Local	Measure RR	Property tax	General street improvements	Roads		?	?	
Nov	W	CA	San Benito County	County	Measure G	Sales tax	General transportation improvements	Multimodal		\$480,000,000	\$16,000,000	
Nov	W	CA	San Jose	Local	Measure T	Bonds	Repair streets and bridges	Roads		\$320,000,000	\$8,421,052	
Nov	W	CA	San Mateo County	County	Measure W	Sales tax	General transportation improvements	Multimodal		\$2,400,000,000	\$80,000,000	
Nov	W	CA	Santa Cruz County	County	Measure L	Advisory	Preserve non-motorized greenway	Bike/ped		n/a	n/a	
Nov	W	CA	Sausalito	Local	Measure L	Hotel tax	Streets improvements for pedestrians and cyclists	Roads	Bike/Ped	\$6,000,000	\$300,000	
Nov	W	CO	STATEWIDE	Statewide	Proposition 109: Fix Our Damn Roads	Bonds	General transportation improvements	Roads		\$3,500,000,000	\$175,000,000	
Nov	W	CO	STATEWIDE	Statewide	Proposition 110: Let's Go Colorado	Sales tax and Bond	General transportation improvements	Roads	Multimodal	\$15,334,000,000	\$766,700,000	
Nov	W	CO	Arvada	Local	Ballot Issue 3F	Bonds		Roads		\$125,000,000	\$25,000,000	
Nov	W	CO	Durango	Local	Ballot Question 2A	Sales tax and Property tax		Roads		\$187,500,000	\$7,500,000	

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Nov	W	CO	Evans	Local		Sales tax	Street repair	Roads		\$19,600,000	\$2,800,000	
Nov	W	CO	Lakewood	Local	TABOR question	Advisory	Allow the city to override TABOR limits	Roads	Bike/Ped	\$14,255,528	\$2,036,504	
Nov	W	CO	Littleton	Local	Ballot Question 7B	Property tax	Unifies with fire district and dedicates money to streets	Roads		\$62,000,000	\$3,100,000	
Nov	W	CO	Pitkin	Local	Issue 2C	Sales tax	Snowplowing services	Roads		\$300,000	\$15,000	
Nov	W	CO	Pueblo West	Local	Pueblo West Metropolitan District's ballot question 6A	Sales tax		Roads		\$32,000,000	\$1,600,000	
Nov	W	CO	Roaring Fork Transportation District	Regional	Ballot Issue 7A	Property tax		Transit	Bike/Ped	\$180,000,000	\$9,000,000	
Nov	NE	CT	STATEWIDE	statewide	Connecticut Transportation Revenue Lockbox Amendment	Constitutional amendment	Creates Lockbox for designated Special Transportation Fund	Multimodal		n/a	n/a	
Nov	S	CT	Durham	Local		Bonds	Road and pavement projects	Roads		\$2,100,000	\$105,000	
Nov	NE	CT	Montville	Local		Bonds	Bonding authorization for a proposed road improvement project	Roads		\$10,000,000	\$1,000,000	
Nov	S	FL	STATEWIDE	Statewide	Amendment 11	Constitutional amendment	Repeals provision for high-speed rail to be developed	Rail		n/a	n/a	
Nov	S	FL	Broward County	County	Transportation Sales Surtax	Sales tax	General transportation improvements	Multimodal	Transit	\$7,710,000,000	\$257,000,000	
Nov	S	FL	Collier County	County	Transportation Sales Surtax	Sales tax	General transportation improvements	Roads		\$139,000,000	\$19,857,142	
Nov	S	FL	Doral	Local	Doral Bond Question	Bonds	Bicycle and pedestrain pathways	Bike/Ped		\$5,000,000	\$166,666	
Nov	S	FL	Hillsborough County	County	No. 2: Hillsborough County's All for Transportation	Sales tax	Transit and roads	Transit	Multimodal	\$8,280,000,000	\$276,000,000	
Nov	S	FL	Miami Beach	Local	Referendum 5	Bonds	Street and pedestrian neighborhood improvements	Roads	Bike/Ped	\$107,000,000	\$10,700,000	

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Nov	S	FL	Sarasota	County	Legacy Trail Extension	Bonds	Legacy Trail Extension with enhanced safety and connections	Bike/Ped		\$65,000,000	\$3,250,000	
Nov	S	FL	St. Lucie County	County	Amendment 14	Sales tax		Roads	Bike/Ped	\$186,000,000	\$18,600,000	
Nov	S	GA	Baldwin County	County	T-SPLOST	Sales tax	General transportation improvements	Roads		\$35,200,000	\$7,040,000	
Nov	S	GA	Carroll County	County	T-SPLOST	Sales tax	General transportation improvements	Roads		\$82,500,000	\$16,500,000	
Nov	S	GA	Habersham County	County	T-SPLOST	Sales tax	General transportation improvements	Roads		\$35,500,000	\$7,100,000	
Nov	S	GA	Lee County	County	T-SPLOST	Sales tax	General transportation improvements	Roads		\$17,000,000	\$3,400,000	
Nov	W	ID	Ada County	County		Vehicle Registration Fee	General transportation improvements	Roads	Bike/Ped	\$90,000,000	\$4,500,000	
Nov	W	ID	Fremont County	County	Idaho DOT's proposed Targhee Wildlife crossings	Advisory	Wildlife overpasses	Roads		n/a	n/a	
Nov	W	ID	Hayden	Local	Hayden City Base Budget Increase	Property tax	General transportation improvements	Roads		\$19,600,000	\$980,000	
Nov	MW	IL	Barrington	Local	Question 1	Advisory	Location of commuter parking lots	Parking		n/a	n/a	
Nov	MW	IL	DuPage County	County		Advisory	Opposes a statewide vehicle-miles travelled fee	Roads		n/a	n/a	
Nov	MW	IL	McHenry	Local		Advisory	Vote to eliminate local road district and road commissioner	Multimodal		n/a	n/a	
Nov	MW	IL	Peoria County	County	Peoria County Road Referendum	Sales tax	General transportation improvements	Roads		\$81,500,000	\$6,791,667	
Nov	S	LA	STATEWIDE	Statewide	Amendment 4	Constitutional amendment	Ends dedication of revenue to state police for traffic control	Multimodal		n/a	n/a	
Nov	S	LA	Iberia Parish	County		Sales tax	General street improvements	Roads		\$33,000,000	\$3,400,000	

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Dec	S	LA	Baton Rouge	Local	Part of MOVEBR proposal	Sales tax	General transportation improvements	Roads		\$912,000,000	\$30,400,000	
Nov	S	MD	Baltimore County	County	Question K	Bonds	General transportation improvements	Roads		\$68,384,000	\$3,419,200	
Nov	S	MD	Baltimore County	County	Question L	Bonds	Sidewalk and pedestrian improvements	Bike/Ped		\$1,000,000	\$50,000	
Nov	S	MD	Prince George's County	County	Question A	Bonds	General transportation improvements	Multimodal		\$148,287,000	\$7,414,350	
Nov	NE	ME	STATEWIDE	Statewide	Maine Question 3	Bonds	General transportation improvements	Roads	Multimodal, maritime, aviation	\$106,000,000	\$5,300,000	
Nov	NE	ME	Waterboro	Local		Advisory	To allow ATVs on local roads	Roads		n/a	n/a	
Nov	MW	MI	Ashley	Local	Sidewalk Maintenance Proposition	Property tax		Bike/Ped		\$24,954	\$4,159	
Nov	MW	MI	Bay City	County	Public Transit System Millage	Property tax	General transit improvements	Transit		\$13,988,245	\$2,797,649	
Nov	MW	MI	Blackman	Local	Twp. Road Improvements Contract	Bonds		Roads		\$18,985,000	\$1,116,764	
Nov	MW	MI	Buchanan	Local	Dial-a-Ride Millage Renewal	Property tax	Dial-a-ride services	Transit		\$3,477,680	\$86,920	
Nov	MW	MI	Cascade Twp.	Local	Construction and Maintenance of Public Pathway System	Property tax		Bike/Ped		\$5,355,000	\$535,500	
Nov	MW	MI	Fenton	Local	Charter Amendment Proposal No. 1	Property tax	General transportation improvements	Roads		?	?	
Nov	MW	MI	Huntington Woods	Local	Huntington Woods Rehabilitation and Improvement Bond Proposal	Bond	General transportation improvements	Roads		\$78,450,000	\$4,903,125	
Nov	MW	MI	Northville	Local	Northville Street Improvements Bond Proposal	Bond		Roads		\$3,050,000	\$305,000	
Nov	MW	MI	Royal Oak	Local	Public Transit System Millage	Property tax		Transit		\$22,000,000	\$4,400,000	
Nov	MW	MI	Royal Oak	Local	Sidewalk Millage	Property tax		Bike/Ped		\$9,600,000	\$1,200,000	

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Nov	MW	MI	STATEWIDE	Statewide	Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act	Excise tax on recreational marijuana	General transportation improvements	Roads		\$700,000,000	\$35,000,000	
Nov	MW	MI	Walled Lake	Local	Walled Lake Michigan Airline Trailway Millage	Property tax		Bike/Ped		\$596,282	\$99,380	
Nov	MW	MN	Lake Shore	Local		Bonds	Street reconstruction projects	Roads		\$1,595,000	\$319,000	
Nov	MW	MO	STATEWIDE	Statewide	Missouri Proposition D, Gas Tax Increase, Olympic Prize Tax Exemption, and Traffic Reduction Fund Measure	Fuel tax	General transportation improvements	Roads		\$2,460,000,000	\$123,000,000	
Nov	MW	MO	Platte City	Local	Transportation Sales Tax	Sales tax	Street improvements and maintenance	Roads		?	?	
Nov	S	NC	Charlotte	Local	Transportation Bonds	Bonds	General transportation improvements	Roads	Bike/Ped	\$118,080,000	\$5,904,000	
Nov	S	NC	Charlotte	Local	Neighborhood Improvement Bonds	Bonds	General transportation improvements	Roads	Bike/Ped	\$55,000,000	\$2,750,000	
Nov	S	NC	Holly Springs	Local	Transportation Bond Referendum	Bonds	Transportation improvements	Roads		\$40,000,000	\$4,000,000	
Nov	S	NC	Winston-Salem	Local	Street and sidewalk bonds	Bonds	General transportation improvements	Roads	Bike/Ped	\$43,700,000	\$2,185,000	
Nov	MW	ND	Burleigh County	County	Measure One	Sales tax	Street construction and reconstruction	Roads		\$80,000,000	\$8,000,000	
Nov	W	NM	Bernalillo County	County	Bond Question No. 4	Bonds	General transportation improvements	Roads	Bike/Ped	\$8,500,000	\$566,666	
Nov	W	NM	Grant County	County	Road Construction and Repair Bonds	Bonds	General transportation improvements	Roads		\$4,000,000	\$307,692	
Nov	W	NM	Los Alamos County	County	Regional Transit Gross Receipts Tax Reauthorization	Sales tax	Public transit operations and capital	Transit		\$7,178,000	\$1,794,500	
Nov	W	NM	Rio Arriba County	County	Regional Transit Gross Receipts Tax Reauthorization	Sales tax	Public transit operations and capital	Transit		\$7,178,000	\$1,794,500	
Nov	W	NM	Santa Fe County	County	Regional Transit Gross Receipts Tax Reauthorization	Sales tax	Public transit operations and capital	Transit		\$7,178,000	\$1,794,500	

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Nov	W	NM	Taos County	County	Regional Transit Gross Receipts Tax Reauthorization	Sales tax	Public transit operations and capital	Transit		\$7,178,000	\$1,794,500	
Nov	W	NV	Douglas County	County	Question 1	Advisory	Road construction and maintenance	Roads		n/a	n/a	
Nov	W	NV	Fernley	Local	Advisory question to pursue legislation	Advisory	To support legislation to increase diesel tax	Roads		n/a	n/a	
Nov	MW	OH	Lucas County	County	Toledo Port Authority- renewal	Property tax		Aviation		\$2,100,000	\$420,000	
Nov	MW	OH	Ontario	Local	Ontario Street Repair Tax	Income tax		Roads		\$11,000,000	\$550,000	
Nov	MW	OH	Put-in-Bay Twp.	Local	Port Authority renewal/decrease	Property tax		Aviation		\$0	\$0	
Nov	W	OR	Gold Beach	Local	Tax on Motor Vehicle Fuel Dealers	Fuel tax	Street improvements and maintenance	Roads		?	?	
Nov	W	OR	Ridgewood	Local	Road District Tax	Property tax	Street improvements and maintenance	Roads		\$67,000	\$67,000	
Nov	W	OR	Springfield	Local	20-296	Bonds	Street improvements and maintenance	Roads		\$10,000,000	\$1,666,666	
Nov	NE	PA	Philadelphia	Local	Ballot Question	Bonds	General transportation improvements	Roads	Transit	\$42,103,000	\$8,420,600	
Nov	NE	RI	STATEWIDE	Statewide	Question 3	Bonds	State Bikeway Development Program	Bike/Ped		\$5,000,000	\$250,000	
Nov	NE	RI	Pawtucket	Local	Question 6	Bonds	Street and sidewalk improvements	Roads	Bike/Ped	\$7,000,000	\$3,500,000	
Nov	NE	RI	Pawtucket	Local	Question 8	Bonds	Repaving of city streets	Roads		\$5,000,000	\$2,500,000	
Nov	NE	RI	Pawtucket	Local	Question 10	Bonds	improvement and replacement of traffic control devices	Roads		\$1,000,000	\$500,000	
Nov	NE	RI	Pawtucket	Local	Question 11	Bonds	General bridge repair	Roads		\$1,000,000	\$500,000	
Nov	S	SC	Beaufort County	County	Local question 1A	Sales tax	Repair and widen roads	Roads		\$120,000,000	\$30,000,000	
Nov	S	TX	Austin	Local	Proposition G	Bonds	General transportation improvements	Roads	Bike/Ped	\$160,000,000	\$16,000,000	
Nov	S	TX	Arlington	Local	Proposition A	Bonds	General transportation improvements	Roads	Bike/Ped	\$137,835,000	\$6,891,750	
Nov	S	TX	Baytown	Local	Proposition No. A	Sales tax	Repair of local streets	Roads		\$3,000,000	\$750,000	
Nov	S	TX	Collin County	County	Proposition A	Bonds	Limited-access roadway	Roads		\$600,000,000	\$60,000,000	

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Nov	S	TX	Collin County	County	Proposition B	Bonds	Arterial roads	Roads		\$140,000,000	\$14,000,000	
Nov	S	TX	Duncanville	Local	Proposition B	Bonds	Sidewalks and alleys improvements	Roads		\$6,600,000	\$330,000	
Nov	S	TX	Pilot Point	Local	Proposition B	Bonds	General transportation improvements	Roads	Bike/Ped	\$4,000,000	\$100,000	
Nov	S	TX	Pilot Point	Local	Proposition D	Bonds	Sidewalk construction and improvements	Bike/Ped		\$500,000	\$12,500	
Nov	S	TX	Richland Hills	Local	Proposition A	Sales tax	Repair of local streets	Roads		\$24,000,000	\$1,200,000	
Nov	S	TX	Richwood	Local	Proposition 1	Bonds	Repair of local streets	Roads		\$3,000,000	\$1,000,000	
Nov	S	TX	Richwood	Local	Proposition 2	Bonds	Sidewalk construction and improvements	Bike/Ped		\$500,000	\$1,666,666	
Nov	W	UT	STATEWIDE	Statewide	Utah Nonbinding Opinion Question 1	Fuel tax		Roads		n/a	n/a	
Nov	W	UT	Salt Lake City	Local	Streets Reconstruction Bond	Bonds	Street improvements and maintenance	Roads		\$87,000,000	\$4,142,857	
Nov	W	UT	Utah County	County		Sales tax		Transit	Multimodal	\$22,000,000	\$2,200,000	
Nov	S	VA	Arlington County	County	County Bond Referendum Question	Bonds	General transportation improvements including regional transit	Transit	Multimodal	\$74,570,000	\$7,457,000	
Nov	S	VA	Loudoun County	County	Transportation Projects	Bonds	Transportation projects	Roads		\$152,585,000	\$15,258,500	
Nov	W	WA	STATEWIDE	Statewide	Initiative Measure 1631: Carbon Emissions Fee Measure	Carbon Tax	Carbon fee to fund various programs and projects related to the environment	Transit	Bike/Ped	\$918,314,000	\$45,915,700	