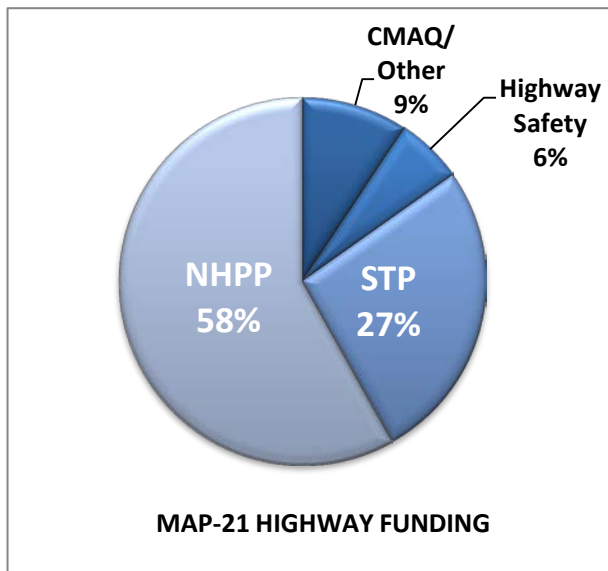


## ROAD AND BRIDGE FUNDING UNDER MAP-21

***NACo asks Congress to increase funding for the Surface Transportation Program and increase the sub-allocation for local areas to support locally-owned road and bridge projects.***

### **Background:**

**MAP-21 made changes to Federal-aid highway funding that significantly impacted the funding available to local governments for road and bridge projects.**



Under MAP-21, funding for the nation's bridges and Federal-aid highways were consolidated and are now primarily funded through two core programs, the National Highway Performance Program (NHPP) and the Surface Transportation Program (STP).

### **Surface Transportation Program**

The STP program provides flexible funding that may be used by states and localities for projects to preserve or improve conditions and performance on any Federal-aid highway and bridge projects on any public road, as well as facilities for nonmotorized transportation, transit capital projects and public bus terminals and facilities.

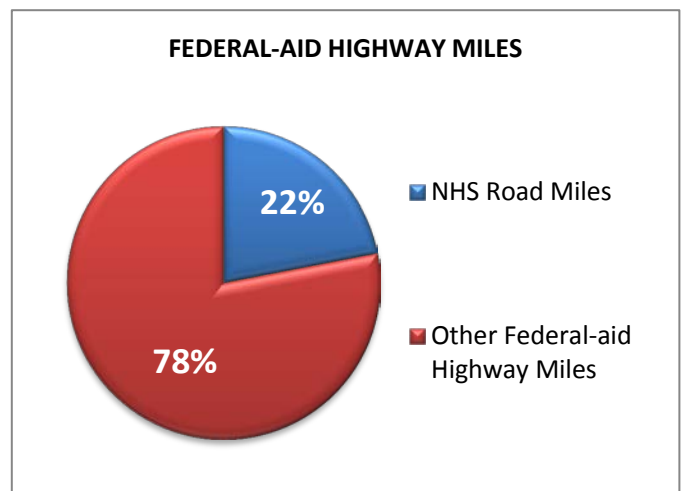
**Under MAP-21, 50 percent of a state's STP funds are to be distributed to local areas based on population (suballocated), with the remainder to be used in any area of the state. Prior to MAP-21, 62.5 percent of a state's STP funds were suballocated to local areas.**

### **National Highway Performance Program**

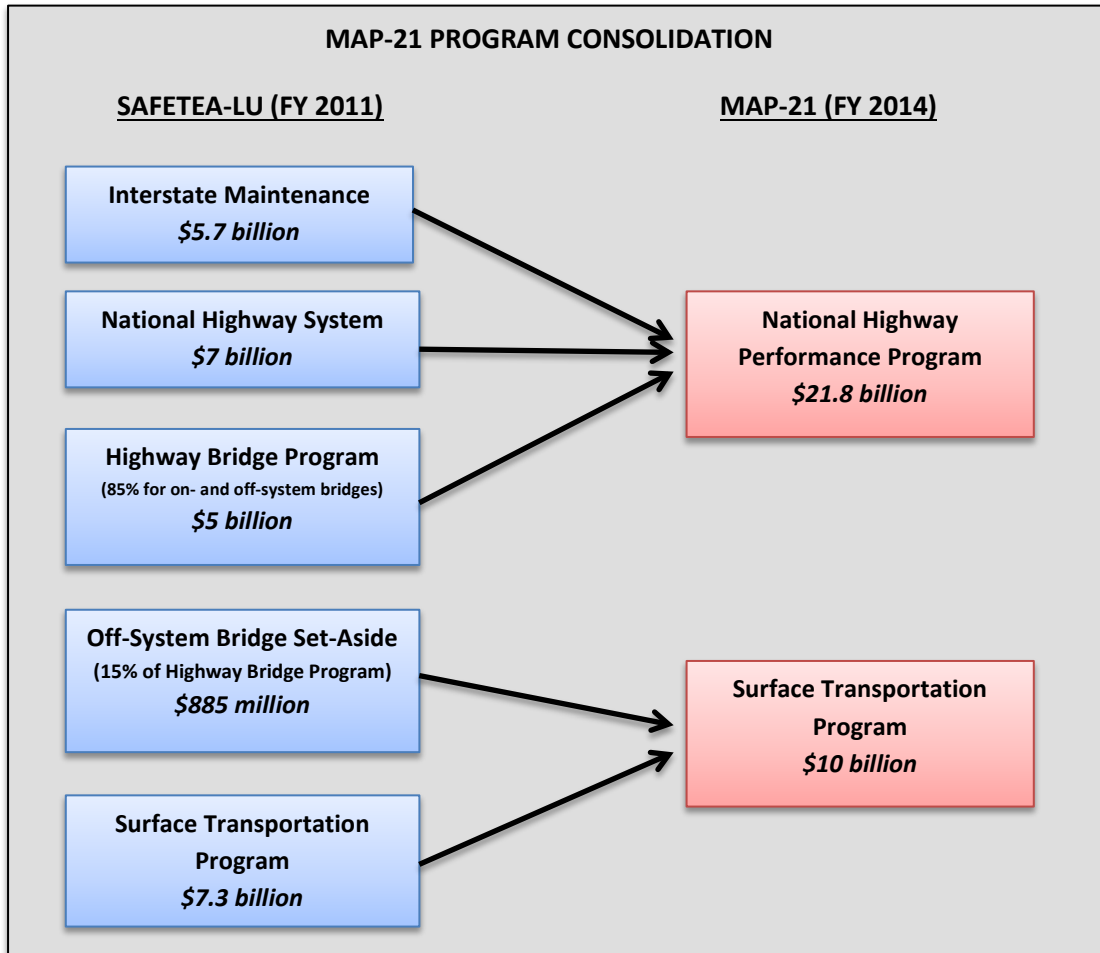
The NHPP Program provides funding to support the condition and performance of the "National Highway System" (NHS). Prior to MAP-21, projects on the NHS received funding from the Interstate Maintenance program and the National Highway System program. Projects on the NHS are also eligible for STP dollars.

### **Federal-aid Highway Miles**

There are 1 million miles of Federal-aid highways in the United States. Under MAP-21, 220,000 or 22% of those miles are designated as the NHS. **Local governments own 52% of the Federal-aid highway miles that are not a part of the NHS.**



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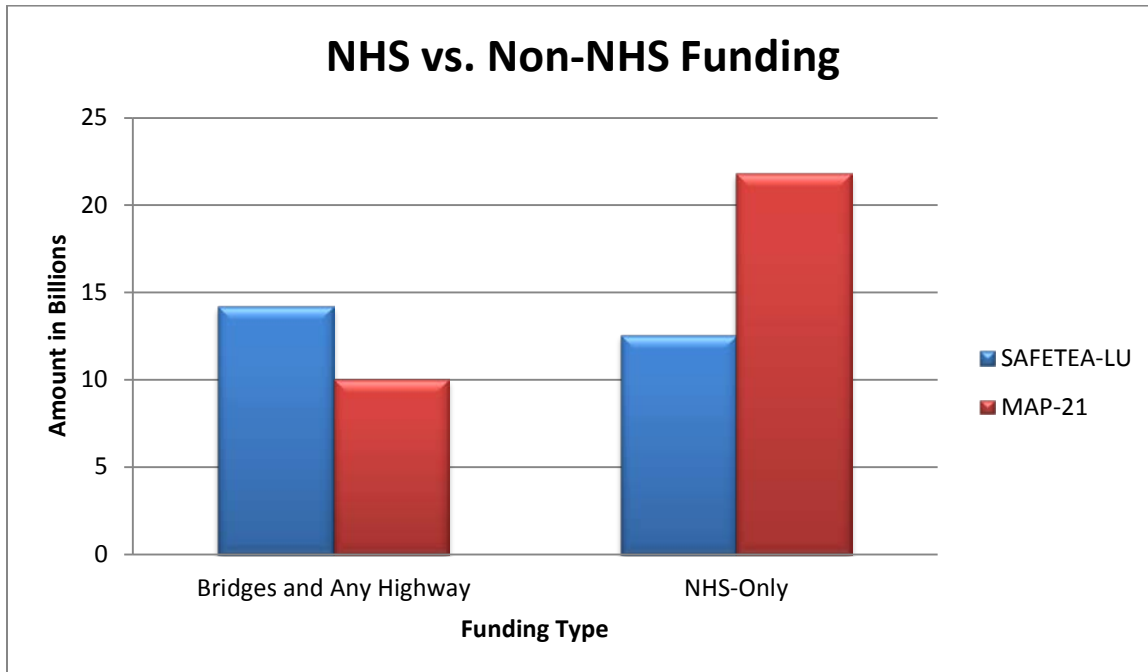
### Bridge Funding Changes Under MAP-21

Prior to MAP-21, all bridges were eligible for funding under the Highway Bridge Program. MAP-21 eliminated the Highway Bridge Program, shifting a majority of the program's funding under the NHPP program and putting funding for off-system bridges under the STP program. **Since only 23% of the nation's bridges are a part of the NHS, the remaining 77% are only eligible for the STP program and have to compete with other eligible projects for very limited funding.**

### Highway Funding Under MAP-21

While the NHPP program only supports projects on 23% of the nation's bridges and 22% of the Federal-aid highway miles, it receives two-thirds of the combined funding available for the NHPP and STP programs, and more than half of the total Federal highway funding under MAP-21. **Meanwhile, 78% of all Federal-aid highway miles and 77% of the nation's bridges are not eligible for the NHPP program and primarily rely on STP dollars.**

## ROAD AND BRIDGE FUNDING UNDER MAP-21



**MAP-21 significantly increased (by 74%) the funding available only to projects that are a part of the NHS, partially by shifting the majority of the old Highway Bridge Program to the NHPP program.**

	SAFETEA-LU (FY 2011)	MAP-21 (FY 2014)	% Change
<b>Highway Bridge Program</b> (excluding off-system bridge set-aside)	\$5,012,212,512	--	--
<b>Surface Transportation Program</b> (excluding set-asides)	\$8,281,841,603	\$9,048,542,623	+9%
<b>Off-System Bridge Set-Aside</b>	\$884,508,092	\$776,523,176	-12%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$14,178,562,207</b>	<b>\$9,825,065,799</b>	<b>-31%</b>

**Meanwhile, the funding available for bridges and Federal-aid highway projects that are not a part of the NHS, and therefore rely on STP dollars, decreased by about 30% under MAP-21.** This funding is responsible for supporting 77% of the nation's bridges and 78% of the Federal-aid highway miles. The decrease in available funding for bridges and highways that are not a part of the NHS has a significant impact on local governments since they own 52% of the highway miles that are not eligible for NHPP funding and 50% of the nation's bridges. **In addition, local governments only receive suballocated funds through the STP program, which accounts for a third of the total funding available for the NHPP and STP programs.**

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