

## ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE AND MANUFACTURING INVESTMENTS ARE **BUILDING** **FLORIDA'S ECONOMY FOR TOMORROW**

Florida applauds Congressional enactment of bipartisan policies that support America's clean energy expansion through investments in U.S. infrastructure and manufacturing.

Energy infrastructure including solar, wind, hydropower, clean fuels, batteries, critical minerals and carbon capture will bolster Florida's energy resiliency and security while creating economic opportunities and jobs for tomorrow.

Continued investments in clean energy production as a critical component of the nation's all-the-above energy strategy will accelerate American-led innovation, continue fast-paced job growth, and strengthen our position as global leaders in greenhouse gas emissions reductions.

## FLORIDA IS DIRECTLY BENEFITING FROM **LONG-TERM INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENTS**

**\$1.5B**

for infrastructure  
resilience

**\$93.6M**

for weatherization  
to reduce  
energy costs

**\$163M**

to make the  
power grid more  
resilient

**\$995M**

to improve water  
infrastructure



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The time for bipartisan leadership on this issue has arrived. The challenge is that private investment (including from automakers) cannot keep pace with the aggressive investment that China is applying to the transformation of its automotive sector. Their investments are comprehensive — heavy funding for research and development and the widespread installation of EV charging infrastructure, procurement mandates for fleets and purchasing incentives for consumers, and subsidies to vehicle manufacturers and to suppliers to build new battery capacity.”

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## INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENTS ARE DRIVING JOB GROWTH AND **INVESTING IN FLORIDA'S ENERGY LEADERSHIP AND INNOVATION**

About 3.3 million Americans worked directly in clean energy at the end of 2022, but we know that number is just the tip of the iceberg, as many more jobs and small businesses rely on clean energy work for their economic success. Infrastructure investments in research, development and deployment of advanced energy technologies in renewables, alternative fuels, energy efficiency and grid modernization will create new job opportunities and expand existing career paths for American workers—strengthening U.S. energy security, environmental quality and economic vitality. **Current policies aim to...**

**Expand U.S. Electric Power Infrastructure:** Invests in renewable energy integration to better mitigate the impact of extreme weather events and natural disasters, and upgrades transmission assets to improve the grid's resiliency, flexibility and cybersecurity.

**Boost Clean Energy Supply Chains:** Secures the critical mineral and material supply chains needed to provide domestically produced energy while ensuring timely permitting decisions for critical mineral development on federal lands.

**Invest in Energy Innovation:** Builds upon the bipartisan Energy Act of 2020 providing funding for cutting-edge pilot projects in hydrogen, advanced nuclear, geothermal, hydropower, energy storage, wind, solar and energy efficiency technologies, among others.

**Improve Federal Permitting Reform – But More Must Be Done:** Cuts through bureaucratic red tape by making permanent FAST-41 permitting improvements, but more must be done by Congress to build the infrastructure necessary to meet the surge in energy demand.

**Support Alternative Fuel Vehicle Infrastructure:** Builds out necessary charging and fueling infrastructure across the U.S.

**Enhance Carbon Capture, Utilization & Storage (CCUS) and Direct Air Capture:** Transformative investments in promising technologies to decarbonize existing power plants and industrial facilities.

**Promote Efficient U.S. Manufacturing:** Directs funding to states to invest in smart manufacturing technologies that reduce industrial emissions, creates a private-public partnership program and offers technical assessments to U.S. manufacturers.



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Much of our country's infrastructure is aged but potentially more troubling – it was built for a different era. Changing weather patterns demand climate-smart solutions if we want any hope of mitigating impacts. Rising seas and increased flooding threaten to swamp our existing infrastructure, private property, and public assets...Infrastructure projects that defend our region from rising seas – by protecting and fostering natural systems that are our first line of defense – can and should earn bipartisan support.”

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