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***“The Future is Bright! How Do We
Pay For It?”***

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Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act aka – “The FAST Act”

The FAST Act authorizes \$305 billion of funding over a five year period (FY2016 through FY2020) for highway, highway and motor vehicle safety, public transportation, motor carrier safety, hazardous materials safety, rail, and research, technology, and statistics programs.



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Pilot Issues to be tested:

- To test the design, acceptance, and implementation of two or more future user-based alternative revenue mechanisms;
- Improve the functionality of the user-based alternative revenue mechanisms;
- Conduct outreach to increase public awareness regarding the need for alternative funding sources for surface transportation programs and to provide information on possible approaches;
- Provide recommendations regarding adoption and implementation of user-based alternative revenue mechanisms; and
- Minimize the administrative cost of any potential user-based alternative revenue mechanisms.



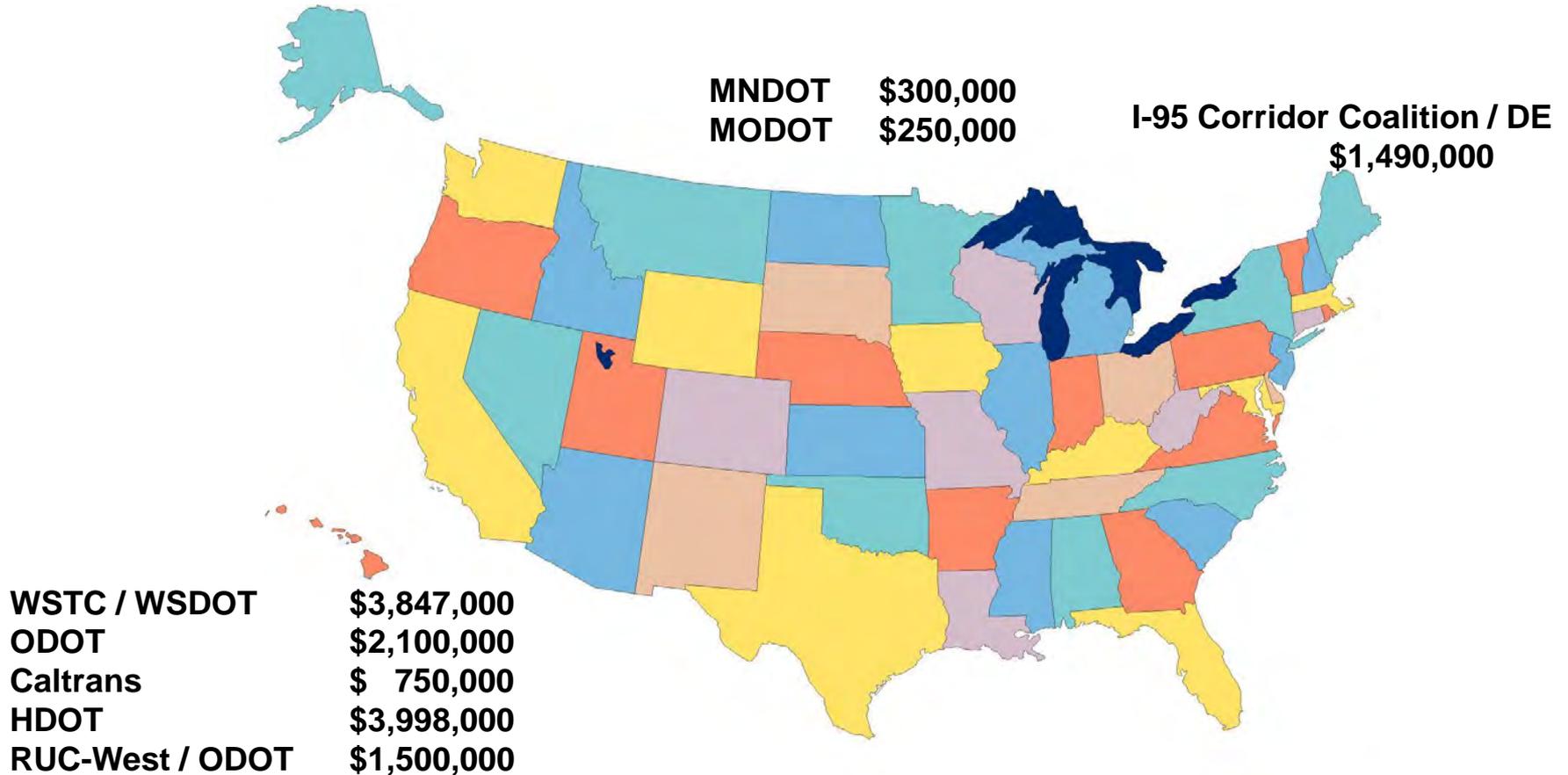
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Potential hurdles to implementing a user-based alternative revenue mechanism

- **Protection of personal privacy;**
- Use of independent and private third-party vendors;
- Where appropriate, Market-based congestion mitigation;
- **Equity concerns;**
- Ease of compliance for different users of the transportation system;
- **Reliability and security of technology**
- **Flexibility and choices**, including the ability of users to select from various technology and payment options;
- **Cost of administering the user-based alternative revenue mechanism;**
- Ability of the administering entity to audit and enforce user compliance.

STSFA Awards – Round 1



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Next Steps:



- FHWA negotiates grant contracts with individual awardees
- States to begin piloting activities
- Next round of federal funding TBD

Thank You



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