

VERMONT AGENCY OF TRANSPORTATION

FY2016 Budget

Sue Minter, Secretary of Transportation



FY2016 Budget Overview

	FY 2015	FY 2016	Increase	Percent
Fund Source	As Passed	GOV REC	(Decrease)	Change
STATE (TFund)	229,903,089	230,856,212	953,123	0%
FEDERAL	409,215,713	354,545,362	(54,670,351)	-13%
LOCAL/OTHER	6,549,633	4,669,285	(1,880,348)	-29%
TIB FUND	19,895,087	20,098,587	203,500	1%
CENTRAL GARAGE FUND	20,200,226	20,309,560	109,334	1%
TOTAL	685,763,748	630,479,006	(55,284,742)	-8%



Five Year Budget History





2016 Budget – Federal Funding

- Considerable risk at the federal level
 - Federal transportation authorization (MAP-21) is extended only through May 31, 2015
 - Future levels of federal funding highly uncertain
 - FFY2015 appropriation has passed for entire year and is approximately level funded
 - SFY2016 budget is predominantly supported by FFY2014 and FFY2015 federal funds
- Highway Trust Fund solvency still an issue
 - Anticipated to become insolvent May-June 2015



2016 Budget – Fiscally Prudent

- Includes no bonding or new revenue proposals
- Preserve revenue capacity until the federal outlook becomes clearer
- State revenue growth (TF and TIB) is anemic
 - Only \$1.2M increase FY15 to FY16
 - TIB is adversely affected by declining gas prices
 - Price decline of 20% from levels supporting the July FY16 consensus forecast = \$4.1M in reduced revenues
- Delays \$2.5M additional reduction to TF appropriated to Public Safety until FY2017



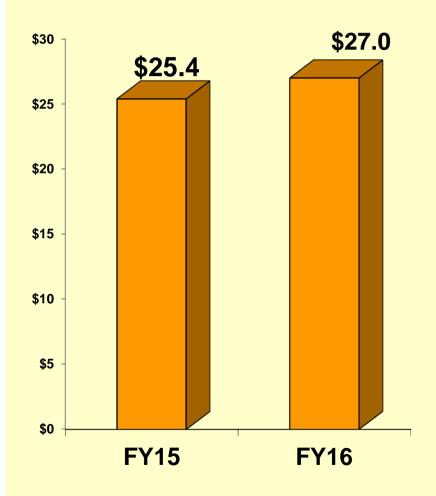
2016 Budget – Areas of Emphasis

- Emphasis on Safety, Preservation and Maintenance, Economic Development, Energy Efficient Transportation Choices, Asset Management and Performance
 - \$88 million for maintenance and operations
 - Preserves safety and resilience of transportation system
 - \$630 million budget supports thousands of jobs
 - \$31 million in Public Transit
 - Including FTA funds passed directly to CCTA
 - Expanded car and van pooling, intercity bus network.
 - Rail priorities
 - \$9.1 million investment in western corridor
 - \$4.2 million in rail/highway crossing and safety improvements
 - \$6 million in Bicycle and Pedestrian facilities
 - Environmental stewardship: water quality and stormwater management

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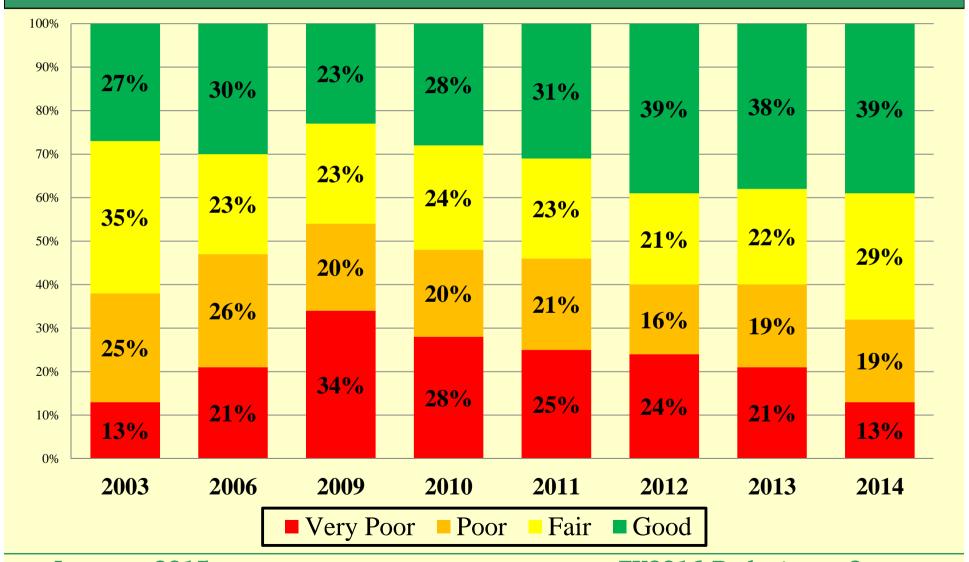
Dept. of Motor Vehicles



- Continues outstanding customer service levels
- 97 percent customer favorability ratings achieved during FY2014
- Average of 93 percent of customers statewide reach a counter in 30 minutes or less
- DMV will collect an estimated \$320 million in taxes and fees in FY2016



Pavement Conditions



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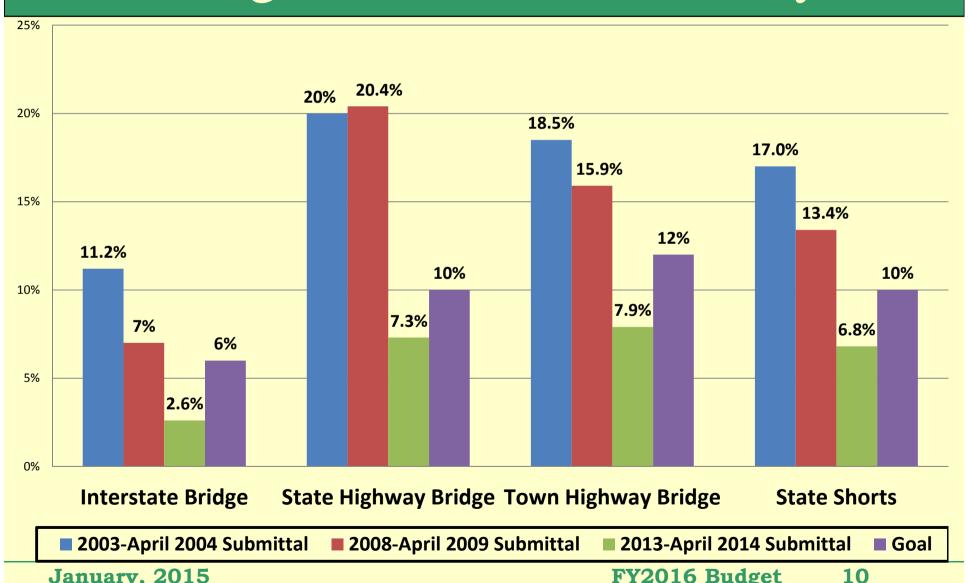
Paving



- \$15.8M decrease (14%)
- Continued commitment to improved pavement conditions
- Improves over 200 miles
- \$5.2M district leveling
- Pavements rated in poor condition have declined from 36 percent in 2008 to 13 percent in 2013

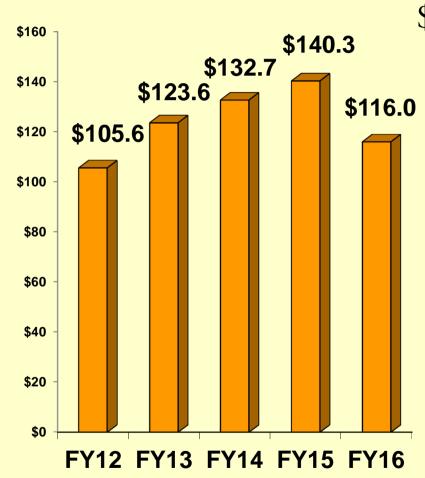


Bridge Structural Deficiency





Bridge Programs



\$24.3M decrease (17%)

- 6th straight year over \$100 million
- Major construction on 70 structures
- Preventive maintenance on dozens of structures
- Interstate Bridges (\$44M)
 - \$8M decrease (15%)
 - Structural deficiency 2.6% goal is 6%
- State Highway Bridges (\$49.1M)
 - \$22.8M decrease (32%)
 - \$10M for Middlebury bridges improves rail also
 - FY15 included \$10M for Irene bridges
 - Structural deficiency 7.35% goal is 10%
- Town Highway Bridges (\$23M)
 - up \$6.5M or 39%



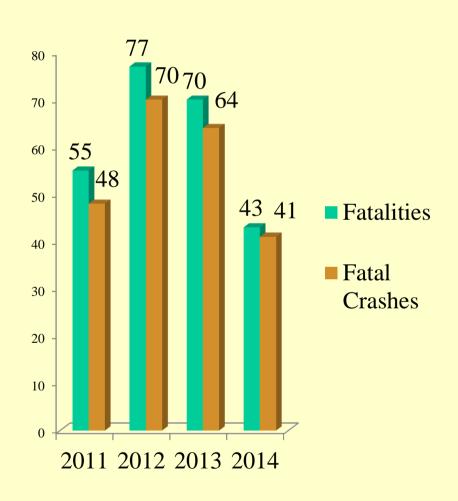
Roadway Program



- \$6.6M decrease (13%)
- Major projects include:
 - Charlotte US 7
 - Essex Crescent Connector
 - Numerous culvert and slope projects to stabilize infrastructure and improve safety
- \$18M for Irene related
 - Improves several corridors
 - Funded with mix of formula funds and FHWA ER funds



Preliminary Highway Fatalities

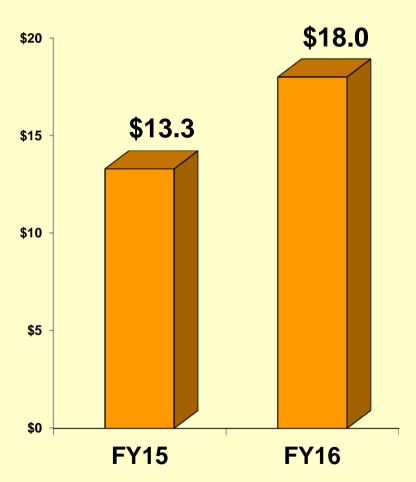


- 38% reduction (27) in fatalities from 2013
- Lowest since WWII
- Combined effort of Vermont Highway Safety Alliance
 - Law enforcement
 - Educators
 - Car dealers
 - Insurance companies
 - Nonprofits
 - Numerous public officials

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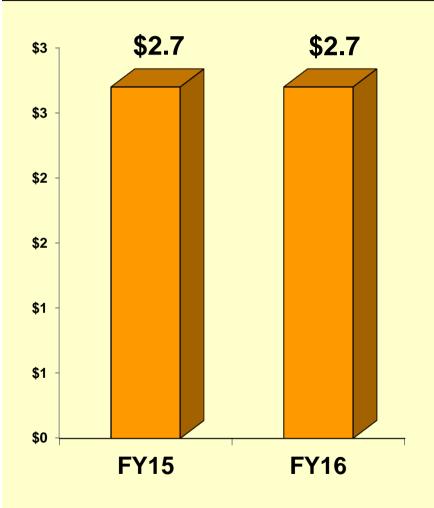
Highway Safety & Traffic Operations



- \$4.7M increase (35%)
- Reflects commitment to this mission critical program
- Privatizes statewide line striping using FHWA funds
- Program provides funding for safety improvements:
 - Intersections
 - Roundabouts
 - Signs and markings
 - Hazard mitigation projects at high accident locations



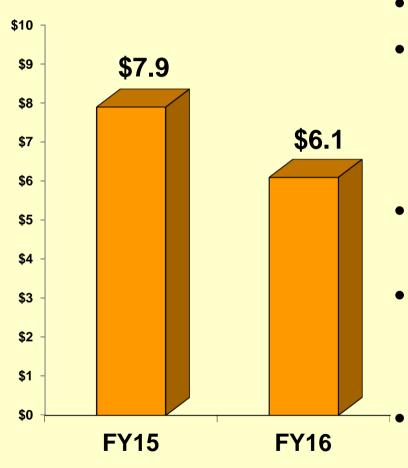
Park & Ride Facilities



- Level funded from FY15
- Funding levels driven by project readiness
- Enlarges or improves 4 existing facilities
- Constructs a new facility in East Montpelier
- Creates over 159 new spaces
- \$250k for Municipal Park-and-Ride Program
 - Extremely popular program
 - Funds upgrades to several facilities



Bicycle & Pedestrian Facilities



- \$11.8M decrease (22%)
- Reflects declining level of SAFETEA-LU earmark projects and several years moratorium on new projects
- \$150K for new 100% State funded municipal sidewalk program
- Funds construction on:
 - 16 bicycle/pedestrian projects
 - 6 Safe Routes to School projects
 - Should see increase in future years
 - Many recently awarded projects
 - 34 projects under development



Transportation Alternatives



- \$611,000 increase (15%)
- Funds all projects receiving grants that are ready to proceed
- 48 projects funded
- Construction on 33 projects
- MAP-21 reduced funding from former Enhancement Program levels
- New grant awards expected to be announced soon
- Proposing that half of program awards go to stormwater mitigation



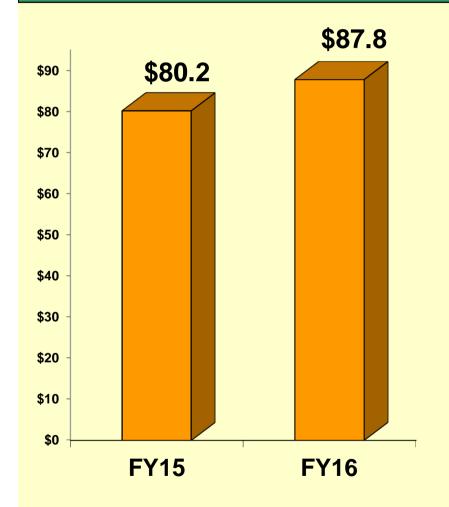
Rest Areas



- \$225,000 decrease (26%)
- No major construction projects funded
- Funds only estimated major maintenance
- Includes capital projects not information center operating costs



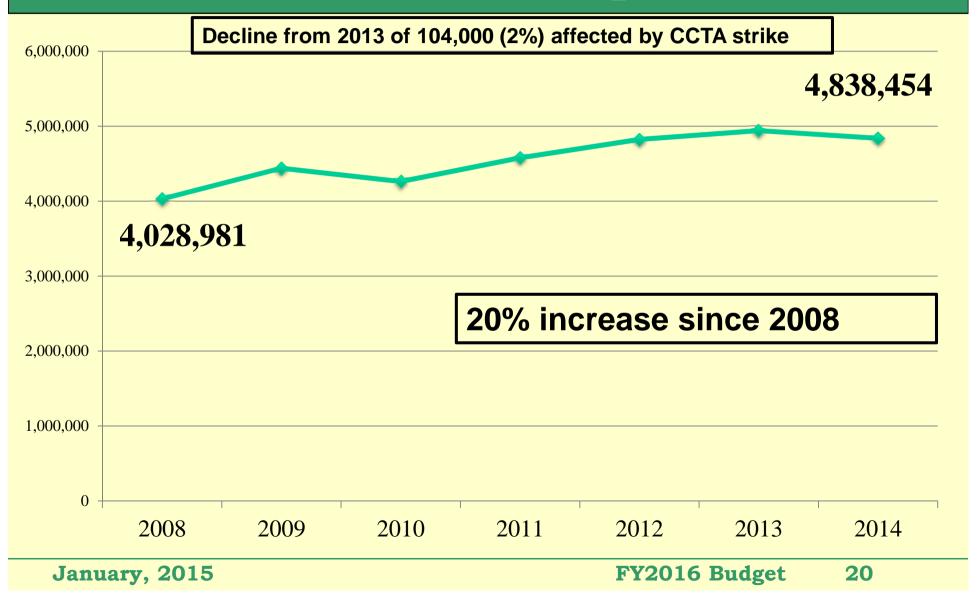
Maintenance



- \$7.6M increase (9%)
- Increase due to costs of materials and equipment and personnel costs
- Reorganization added 17 positions
- Continues focus on general maintenance, safety, preservation, and resilience



Public Transit Ridership 2008-2014





Public Transit



- \$2.7M decrease (9%)
- Decrease reflects completion of discretionary funded vehicle purchases and completion of transit facility
- Expands inter-city bus system
- Expands car and van-pooling
 - Annual ridership statistics were adversely impacted by CCTA strike – down 2%



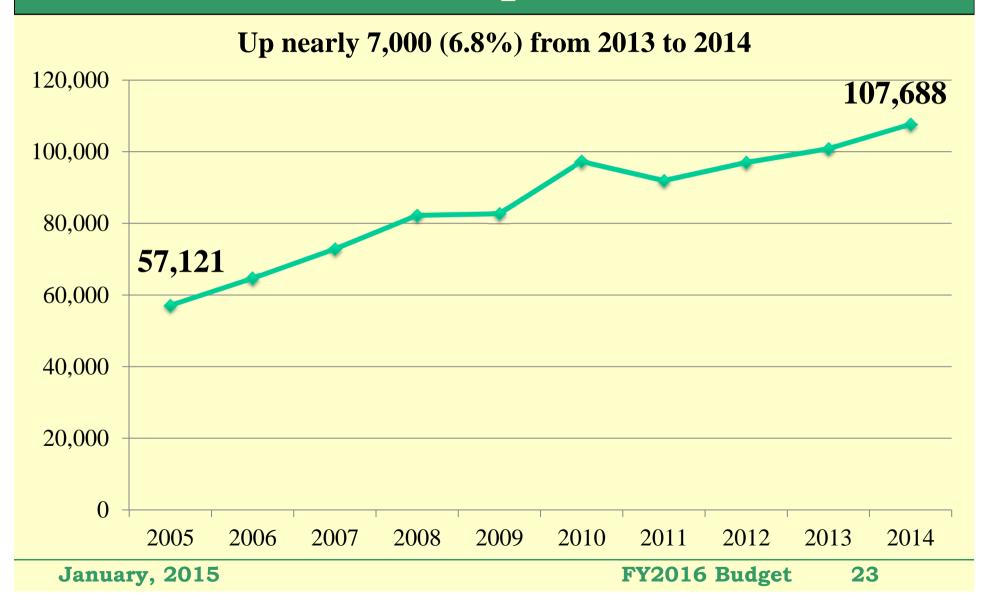
Aviation



- \$5.2M decrease (26%)
- Decrease is predominantly FAA project driven
 - \$4.8M decrease in FAA
 - State match is 10%
- Major construction projects:
 - Rutland
 - Corrects deficient runway safety area
 - Newport
 - Runway extension and other improvements
 - Middlebury
 - Runway and taxiway extension



Rail Ridership 2005-2014





Rail



- \$2.2M decrease (6%)
- \$9.1M in Western Corridor Burlington Rutland track improvements
 - \$5.9M for 2nd year of TIGER grant
- \$4.2M in rail crossing and other safety improvements
- \$7.7M for continuation of Amtrak
- Annual rail ridership increased 6.8% between FFY2013 and FFY2014 (most recent data available)



Transportation Buildings



- \$760,000 decrease (27%)
- Funds facilities in East Dorset and White River Junction
- \$200,000 for statewide solar systems
- \$200,000 for statewide brine facilities
- \$279,000 for heating system replacements and backup generators



Town Highway Bridge



- \$6.6M increase (39%)
- Construction on 26 projects
- Funds additional 20 projects under development
- Structural deficiency is 7.9 percent goal is 12 percent



Town Highway Programs



- \$8.5M decrease (8%)
- Funding for TH Programs (excluding FEMA) increased by \$6.2M (10%) over FY2015
- \$33.9M for Public Assistance (FEMA)
 - Down by \$14.8M (30%) from FY2015



Town Highway Grant Programs

- \$41M for Town Highway Grant Programs (excluding TH Bridges)
- Town Highway Grant Program funding has increased by \$5.4M (15%) since FY2009
- Level funded from FY2015
- \$6.33M for TH Structures grants
- \$7.25M for TH Class 2 grants
- \$1.15M for TH nonfederal disasters
- \$1.44M for TH federal ER disasters
- \$26M for Town Highway Aid