

# Wisconsin Towns Association

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## **Wisconsin Towns Association Applauds Governor and Legislature for Investing in Towns**

The Wisconsin Towns Association lauds the efforts of the Governor and the Legislature in passing a state budget that empowers town governments.

Mike Koles, Executive Director of the Wisconsin Towns Association, stated “Towns greatly appreciate the increased investment in local roads. The \$187 per mile general transportation aid increase, the largest in the last decade combined, will assist towns in maintaining 62,000 miles of town roads, over half of the highways in Wisconsin. Changes to the distribution of Managed Forest Law program closed acreage fees ensure that land owner payments collected in lieu of property taxes are fully and permanently returned to the local level instead of having an effective property tax going to the DNR. Towns thank the Governor and the Legislature in enacting these changes.”

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