



STATEMENT: WITTMAN ON PRESIDENT BIDEN’S PROPOSED INFRASTRUCTURE PACKAGE

The Missed Opportunity of a Lifetime

WASHINGTON- Today, Congressman Rob Wittman weighed in after reviewing President Biden’s proposed infrastructure package. Despite Democrats and Republicans alike widely calling for significant investments in infrastructure, this \$2.5 trillion package includes highly partisan provisions funding Democratic priorities such as those of the Green New Deal, union bailouts, and repealing 27 states’ Right to Work Laws. To pay for this proposal, the Biden Administration has proposed tax hikes on American businesses.

“Virginia’s First Congressional District has serious infrastructure priorities, and it’s time we get serious about funding them. But of this so-called infrastructure bill’s \$2.25 trillion, only \$115 billion goes towards repairing roads and bridges. In fact, this bill spends more to advance the Green New Deal” Said Congressman Wittman, “Green New Deal-style projects have no place in an infrastructure package. Nor does repealing Right to Work Laws. As with the Majority’s previous, so-called COVID-19 relief package, this infrastructure bill is just another trojan horse for progressive political priorities.

Congressman Wittman continued, “This is the missed opportunity of a lifetime. Instead of rebuilding our economy, the Majority would stunt our economic growth, destroy jobs, threaten our long-term stability with the Green New Deal, provide union bailouts, and force the largest tax hike in American history, leaving working-class Americans to foot the bill. It’s baffling why they would choose to pile on to the economic woes we suffer amid the COVID-19 pandemic.

“We must do better,” concluded Congressman Wittman. “Virginia’s First Congressional District deserves to finally unleash its economic potential by reducing congestion along I-95 and I-64, expanding rural broadband, repairing rural bridges, improving passenger rail, and deepening and widening the Port of Virginia. None of that requires the Green New Deal or the expense of trillions of

dollars. Nor does it require we repeal Virginia's Right to Work laws. I sincerely urge President Biden and the Democratic Majority to drop the partisan provisions of this package and to pass the clean, targeted, no-kidding infrastructure bill America deserves."