

## Tennessee Infrastructure In The News

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**A daily roundup of recent news stories and opinion pieces about Tennessee transportation, water and flood control infrastructure**

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### **[Tennessee Rail Projects Awarded \\$55.3 Million In Recovery Act Tiger Grants \(Seymour Herald\)](#)**

Tennessee will receive \$55.3 million in federal Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) discretionary grants for two rail projects in the state. The US DOT announced \$1.5 billion in federal TIGER grant funds for more than 50 projects across the U.S. on Wednesday, the one year anniversary of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, which funds the competitive TIGER grants. "The Recovery Act TIGER grants awarded to Tennessee will fund needed improvements to the freight rail network in our state," said Governor Phil Bredesen. "These improvements will expand access to freight for businesses across the state, reduce the number of trucks on Tennessee highways by moving more freight by rail, and provide a cleaner, more environmentally friendly transportation option." Railroads are up to eight times more fuel efficient than trucks, according to a November 2009 study by the Federal Railroad Administration.

<http://seymourherald.com/news/2010/feb/22/tennessee-rail-projects-awarde/>

### **[TVA Manager Sees No Flooding From Precipitation \(Knox News Sentinel\)](#)**

Bach told the Chattanooga Times Free Press the river is much higher than normal, but he said TVA has been holding water back in tributaries. He said TVA managers don't anticipate flooding, and space has been created to hold that water if a storm does come.

<http://www.knoxnews.com/news/2010/feb/22/tva-manager-sees-no-flooding-precipitation/>

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