

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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[Lebanon Airport Gets Grant For Terminal \(Nashville Business Journal\)](#)

Gov. Phil Bredesen announced a \$85,500 grant for the Lebanon Municipal Airport in Wilson County today. The money, which was granted by the Tennessee Department of Transportation's Aeronautics Division, will be used for architectural and engineering services for enhancements to the terminal building. Lebanon Municipal Airport is a two-runway general aviation airport.

<http://nashville.bizjournals.com/nashville/stories/2010/02/22/daily27.html?surround=lfm>

[Polk County Airport Receives \\$43,000 Grant \(Chattanooga Times Free-Press\)](#)

Gov. Phil Bredesen announced today a \$43,200 grant for Martin Campbell Field Airport in Polk County. "Local airports are vital to the economy and travel system of Tennessee," the governor said in a news release. "Investing in our airports helps them stay competitive and efficient at meeting the needs of businesses and travelers." The grant, made available through the Tennessee Department of Transportation's Aeronautics Division, will be used to make improvements at touchdown points on two runways.

<http://www.timesfreepress.com/news/2010/feb/24/tennessee-polk-county-airport-receives-43000-grant/?breakingnews>

[SR 840 In Williamson County One Step Closer to Completion \(WTVF-TV Nashville\) with Video](#)

The final phase of construction for State Route 840 in Williamson County is scheduled to begin. The project was delayed nearly seven years due to environmental and historical concerns. "This is a real milestone for the department of Transportation," said Tennessee Governor Phil Bredesen. The latest section of highway work to start is just west of Bending Chestnut Road, west of Leipers Creek Road. "The completion of State Route 840 will improve access to communities in the mid-state, provide increased economic growth potential, and give motorists a convenient alternate route around Nashville," said Bredesen. Work is already underway on two other legs of the roadway in Williamson County. Work from SR 100 to SR 46 began in July of 2007.

<http://www.newschannel5.com/Global/story.asp?S=12040990>

[The Not-So-Fast Track For High-Speed Rail \(Stateline\)](#)

The last time intercity passenger trains served Madison, Wisconsin's capital city, students at the University of Wisconsin campus there were protesting the Vietnam War. The trains stopped running when Amtrak took over passenger service around the country in 1971. But last month, the federal government announced it would give the state \$810 million in stimulus money to return passenger trains to Wisconsin's second-biggest city for the first time in more than four decades. The January announcement clears the way for a new passenger route between Madison and Milwaukee starting in 2013. It will take that long to rebuild track, renovate old stations and build new ones, roll out satellite navigation technology to prevent collisions and even determine who will run the trains. At first, passengers will reach top speeds of 79 mph – the same as today's Amtrak trains – until new trains that can reach 110 mph go into service in 2016.

<http://www.stateline.org/live/details/story?contentId=463426>

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