

Metropolitan Mayors Caucus Environment Committee and Energy Subcommittee Meeting

January 18, 2022, 10 to 11:30 a.m. via Zoom

We are delighted to welcome [Congressman Raja Krishnamoorthi](#) (IL-08) to our committee meeting to discuss the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA).

At this meeting, we will have a conversation about opportunities to advance sustainability goals of both the Climate Action Plan and the GRC through recent state and federal legislation.

The \$1.2 trillion [Bipartisan Infrastructure Deal](#), also known as the **Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act** (IIJA) passed Congress in November ([H.R. 3684](#), [Public Law No. 117-58](#)). The historic investment in our nation's infrastructure includes funds for transportation, energy transmission, resilience, a network of EV charging stations, and more. Illinois will receive \$17 billion in direct funding and be able to compete for additional billions in competitive grants. Find out what opportunities exist for local governments with the passage of IIJA.

Here is a helpful overview of the [impacts of IIJA for local governments](#). There is good news for achieving our goals in both [energy efficiency](#) and [transportation](#) including electrification.

The **Climate and Equitable Jobs Act** (CEJA, [Public Act 102-0662](#)) that passed in September made Illinois a leader in climate action, but what does it mean for local governments? Mark Pruitt, Principal at the Power Bureau, will explain the law's impact on a few key areas, including renewable energy, energy efficiency, equity, utility rates, and more. He will also offer concrete actions for municipal staff to take, in order to seize opportunities presented from CEJA. Tim Milburn, Partner at Green Ways 2Go, will discuss CEJA's impact on electric vehicles (EVs) and EV charging infrastructure.

Finally, we will discuss how these legislative objectives may be realized through rule-making and program design and offer some general guidance for engaging in these processes. We welcome your input and participation.

[GRC](#) goals and objectives: Various, including to leverage state/federal and private grants and resources to advance sustainability; advance renewable energy; reduce energy consumption; support social justice and equity throughout the community; operate a safe, clean and efficient fleet; support efficient transportation that uses resources wisely; collaborate to support a network of alternate fueling infrastructure

[Climate Action Plan](#) objectives: Demonstrate leadership to reduce emissions; decarbonize energy sources; optimize building energy; decarbonize transportation