



Pennsylvania Department of Transportation **Pathways**

Driving Safety and Freight Efficiency: New Parking Solutions Across Pennsylvania

Pennsylvania's effort to expand safe, accessible truck parking is gaining momentum through on-the-ground improvements and strategic planning.

At the end of October, PennDOT Secretary Mike Carroll participated in a Regional Freight Summit in York, where planning organizations from Pennsylvania and Maryland, Department of Transportation staff from both states, and major industry stakeholders, including Amazon, Norfolk Southern, and Harrisburg International Airport, discussed freight priorities. Truck parking was a major focus, featured as one of six breakout sessions, and PennDOT's commitment to tackling this nationwide challenge was noted through recent progress in York County and beyond.



Pennsylvania's effort to expand safe, accessible truck parking continues to move forward with the addition of new spaces in strategic locations across the state:

- **25 spaces** at the Interstate 79 southbound weigh station, Washington County
- **18 spaces** at a lot off Route 315, Luzerne County
- **30 spaces** at weigh stations in Clifton and Covington townships, Lackawanna County
- **8 spaces** near the Interstate 84/Route 6 interchange, Pike County

These openings are part of a broader initiative to create 1,202 new truck parking spaces at 133 locations statewide by the end of 2026, addressing a long-standing shortage of safe rest areas for commercial drivers. Unlike previous expansions tied to major construction projects, this effort leverages existing public infrastructure, such as:

- Interstate on-ramps with safe sight distances
- Active weigh stations
- Additional suitable, public spaces near highways

Sites are selected for safety and accessibility, marked with clear signage, and integrated into PennDOT's 511PA website and mobile app, which provides real-time parking availability.

As Pennsylvania progresses with this initiative, the benefits are clear: safer roads, better rest options for drivers, and more efficient freight movement statewide.



Does Your Community Need Funding Support for Important Local Projects?

PennDOT's Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) website is a valuable resource for communities seeking federal funding. It offers tools and assistance for developing competitive grant proposals, planning infrastructure projects, and navigating the grant application process.

Key features:

- Federal Grant Guide for Local Applicants
- Technical Assistance and Resources
- Checklist for Local Governments
- Funding Opportunities

Stay Updated on Federal Grants

PennDOT's IIJA website offers the latest news on federal grant opportunities and awarded projects. Check back regularly for updates that could benefit your community.

There are currently no federal grant programs accepting applications.

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