



# Homeland Security

## FY 2011 Intercity Passenger Rail (IPR)-Amtrak

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### Overview

As appropriated by the *Department of Defense and Full-Year Continuing Appropriations Act, 2011* (Public Law 112-10), the FY 2011 IPR Program is one of five grant programs that constitute the Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) focus on transportation infrastructure security activities. These grant programs are part of a comprehensive set of measures authorized by congress and implemented by the Administration to help strengthen the nation's critical infrastructure against risks associated with potential terrorist attacks. The FY 2011 IPR Program provides funding to the National Passenger Rail Corporation (Amtrak) to protect critical surface transportation infrastructure and the traveling public from acts of terrorism within the Amtrak rail system.

*In Fiscal Year 2011, DHS allocated \$22,214,456 to protect critical surface transportation infrastructure and the traveling public from acts of terrorism*

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### Funding

In FY 2011, the total amount of funds distributed under this grant program was \$22,214,456. FY 2011 IPR funds were awarded to support the creation of a sustainable, risk-based effort to protect critical surface transportation infrastructure and the traveling public from acts of terrorism and to increase the resilience of the Amtrak rail system.

In accordance with the *Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007* (Public Law 110-53) (hereafter "9/11 Act"), all funds awarded to Amtrak under this program are transferred to Department of Transportation Federal Railroad Administration (DOT/FRA) within five days of award for disbursement.

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### Eligibility

Amtrak was the only agency eligible to apply for the FY 2011 IPR Program funds.

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### Allowable Costs

The funding priorities included the following project types for the FY 2011 IPR Program:

- Protection of high-risk/high-consequence underwater and underground rail assets
- Planning
- Targeted counter-terrorism training for key frontline employees
- Use of visible, unpredictable deterrence
- Emergency preparedness drills and exercises
- Public awareness and preparedness campaigns

- Protection of other high-risk/high-consequence assets and systems that have been identified through system wide risk assessments
- Security projects in line with or addressing one or more of the 22 areas outlined in Sec. 1513 of the 9/11 Act

For FY 2011 IPR Program, a maximum of five percent (5%) of funds awarded could be used for Management and Administration (M&A) purposes associated with the grant award.

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## **Application Process and Evaluation Criteria**

The IPR Program reviewer pool consisted of representatives from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Transportation Security Administration (TSA), and the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA). As part of the cooperative agreement process, Amtrak met with FEMA, TSA, and FRA representatives to develop an Investment Justification that aligned with the program priorities and funding allocation. Final review and recommendation for approval was completed by FEMA and TSA and sent to the Secretary of DHS for final approval.