

Federal Court to Make Overtime Rule Decision by July 1

Earlier this week, the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas heard oral arguments in the case brought by the state of Texas challenging the legality of the Department of Labor's overtime final rule. Texas is requesting a temporary restraining order from the court to block the rule from going into effect next Monday. A ruling from the court is expected by the July 1, 2024 implementation date. NDA will keep members updated on the court's ruling.

U.S. Supreme Court Strikes Down Chevron Doctrine

Today, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled in a 6-3 decision to strike down a legal doctrine known as Chevron deference. Chevron is a legal precedent that required judges to uphold federal regulations if a statute is ambiguous and an agency develops regulations that are a "reasonable" interpretation of the law. The ruling is expected to weaken the administrative state and shift power from federal agencies to the judicial branch to interpret laws passed by Congress.

DOT Announces \$1.8 Billion in Infrastructure Projects

On Wednesday, the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) announced \$1.8 billion in awards from the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) discretionary grant program for 148 projects across the country. This funding was authorized through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law.

The eligibility requirements of RAISE allow project sponsors, including state and local governments, counties, Tribal governments, transit agencies, and port authorities, to pursue multi-modal and multi-jurisdictional projects that are more difficult to fund through other grant programs. RAISE discretionary grants invest in critical freight and passenger transportation infrastructure projects. More information about the awarded projects can be [found here](#).