



Source Sheet: Innovative Transportation Funding Expert

An increasing number of cash-strapped states are looking for funding innovations to meet critical infrastructure needs and relieve congestion. For stories covering the trends in public-private partnerships (P3s), congestion pricing, tolling and other 21st Century solutions, tap into the source—HNTB Corporation.



HNTB Expert:

Jack Finn, P.E.
Senior vice president,
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As head of HNTB's national toll services group, Jack Finn and his team of experts work with turnpike and toll authorities across the country. His lead role at HNTB, numerous leadership roles with professional organizations, interaction with Wall Street and 30 years of toll engineering experience make Finn a national expert on the latest transportation financing options as well as the latest toll industry news.

Finn recently participated in a surface transportation summit at the White House regarding toll roads and public-private partnerships (P3s). Invited by the U.S. Department of Transportation to express the engineering community's point of view, he was one of 10 panelists selected to educate U.S. legislators about innovative financing techniques.

Clients, associates, journalists and the general public value Finn's:

- **Insights into the importance of innovative transportation funding techniques and transportation's impact on the economy.** He has testified before Congress, spoken to governors associations, and has been quoted by news organizations across the country, including ABC News, *Engineering News-Record* and *USA Today*.
- **Relationships with transportation leaders across the country.** Finn serves as an advisory board member

(as part of HNTB's General Engineering Consultant contracts) with the North Carolina Turnpike Authority, the Tampa-Hillsborough County Expressway Authority, the Miami-Dade County Expressway Authority, the Colorado Tolling Enterprise and New Jersey, Massachusetts, Maine and Ohio Turnpike Authorities.

- **Wealth of tolling knowledge.** For instance, he led the New Jersey Turnpike's \$2.8 billion widening program in the mid-1980's. Since then, he has worked with several major toll authorities and managed numerous complex toll road projects throughout the United States.

In addition to answering questions about technical and transportation planning and financing questions, Finn can discuss a variety of industry trends, including:

- **Economy takes a 'toll' on states**—Due to eroding gas tax revenues, rising costs and America's crumbling infrastructure, an increasing number of states are turning to tolling as an innovative funding option.
- **Toll technology calls motorists to the open road**—The toll industry is accelerating into a new age. Recent technological advancements are making tolling a more acceptable option for motorists and opening up vast value pricing opportunities, including congestion pricing and high occupancy toll (HOT) lanes.
- **Public-private partnerships are one promising funding innovation**—P3s are allowing transportation agencies to leverage private technical, management and financial resources to achieve public objectives, such as greater cost and schedule certainty, supplementing in-house staff, innovative technology applications, specialized expertise and access to private capital.

Education:

- Bachelor's degree of science, civil engineering, 1978, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
- Graduate studies in civil engineering, New Jersey Institute of Technology
- Master's degree in business administration, 1987, Seton Hall University

Professional Affiliations:

- Outreach and Communication Committee–International Bridge, Tunnel and Turnpike Association
- Member–American Society of Civil Engineers
- Member–American Society of Highway Engineers
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- Vice president, Board member–Consulting Engineer Council of New Jersey
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