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MADISON Wis. -- Wisconsin Mayors are endorsing President Biden's Bipartisan Infrastructure Deal and highlighting the positive impact it will have on their cities across the state.

Mayors from the five largest cities in Wisconsin penned an op-ed in The Cap Times, saying the bipartisan deal represents that, "Our democracy can deliver results for the American public."

The Cap Times: Wisconsin mayors: Infrastructure deal a road to a more equitable, sustainable future

- "We, as mayors of Wisconsin's five largest cities, stand together in support of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Deal (BID) negotiated by President Joe Biden and a group of Democratic and Republican senators this month."

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- "As mayors, the vast majority of our work is bipartisan or nonpartisan. Our residents rightly expect their local elected officials to ensure the pothole on their street gets fixed, the water from the tap is clean and the bus runs on time, regardless of whether they have a "D" or "R" next to their name on the ballot. We applaud our federal lawmakers who are taking the same approach to address these issues on a national scale.
- "Not only do we support the Bipartisan Infrastructure Deal, but we also commend what it represents: Our democracy can deliver results for the American public. We look forward to working with our federal partners in the administration and in Congress to restore and rebuild our nation's infrastructure and set future generations of Wisconsinites on a road to prosperity."

Manitowoc Mayor Justin Nickels also expressed his support for the deal and provided local context on how the deal will specifically support the infrastructure needs of Manitowoc.

Seehafer News: Manitowoc Mayor Calls on Senate to Pass Infrastructure Investment Bill

- "The policies agreed to will grow the economy, create good jobs, enhance our competitiveness, and make our economy more sustainable, resilient, and just.
- "The bill provides \$17.5 billion for major projects that are too large or complex for traditional funding programs, and a \$55 billion investment in clean drinking water, including dedicated funding to replace lead service lines and the dangerous chemical PFAS."

Superior Mayor Jim Paine highlighted how the deal will provide funding for restoration projects around the St. Louis River, one of the most polluted sites on the Great Lakes.

CBS News Duluth: Mayor Jim Paine backs federal infrastructure deal

- "This is the most significant investment in public funds in maybe the last 100 years. We don't see this level of investment from the federal government anymore."