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Jennifer Mayer is an innovative finance specialist for the Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA's) National Resource Center, which provides technical assistance to state transportation departments (DOTs), Federal Highway Administration division offices, and other transportation agencies and partners across the country. She is considered the agency's in-house expert on Grant Anticipation Revenue Vehicles (GARVEEs – municipal bonds backed by Federal revenues), and now works full-time to support the agency's research efforts on Public Private Partnerships. In addition to numerous articles and presentations, she authored a paper for the Transportation Research Board on analysis of private sector returns in concession arrangements.

Her expertise includes federal credit assistance under the Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA), the State Infrastructure Bank program, innovative matching options, and public private partnerships. She has more than fifteen years of experience in transportation and other infrastructure finance, and has assisted numerous state and local governments with developing financial plans for statewide construction programs as well as specific large projects.

Prior to joining FHWA, Ms. Mayer worked for Apogee Research, Inc., where she assisted in financial analyses for FHWA, the Environmental Protection Agency, state DOTs, and local infrastructure agencies. Ms. Mayer holds dual degrees in Applied Math and Political Science from Brown University, and a Master's in Business Administration from the University of California at Berkeley.