

## HOW CAN THIS SYSTEM BE FIXED?

One way is by raising the fuel tax

### WHY IS THIS THE BEST IMMEDIATE OPTION?

- ① It has served Americans well as a user fee for decades.
- ② It is simple to collect and can be done immediately with no additional collection costs.
- ③ **It is fair:** Those who use the roads pay for better and safer roads.

# HOW WILL FIXING THE FUND BENEFIT YOU?

Increasing the federal gas tax produces real-world benefits for the average motorist.

## SAVE ON VEHICLE REPAIRS

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# \$324

*The average driver currently spends \$324 per year in vehicle repairs and operating costs due to poor road conditions.*

per year in vehicle repairs

## CUT THE COSTS OF CONGESTION

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# 5.5 + 2.9

*In 2011, Americans wasted a total of 5.5 billion hours and 2.9 billion gallons of gas stuck in traffic. Those numbers are projected to rise to 8.4 billion hours and 4.5 billion gallons in 2020.*

billion hours

billion gallons of gas

## PROTECT THE ECONOMY

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# 877,000

*877,000 jobs are at risk if Congress doesn't act now to fill the Highway Trust Fund.*

jobs at risk

### Resources

The Federal Excise Tax on Gasoline and the Highway Trust Fund: A Short History  
Department of Transportation, FHWA, FTA  
Texas A&M Transportation Institute  
Federal Highway Administration



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