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## Washington Post Editorial Supports Gas Tax Increase

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An editorial printed in *The Washington Post* May 17, calls for support of an increase in the gas tax. Citing a new report released by The Road Information Program (TRIP) and the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials, the editorial notes that area commuters set aside an average of \$458 each year to repair damage to their vehicles caused by deteriorating roads.

"The solution in the near term, as this page has argued, is to raise the gasoline tax. The 18.4-cents-a-gallon federal tax hasn't risen since 1993, losing one-third of its purchasing power in that time."

Excerpted from *The Washington Post*. [Click here for the complete article.](#)