

New study names top 50 needed road projects in Alabama

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A newly released study by the national transportation research group, "TRIP," names the top 50 road projects needed in Alabama, and six of those improvements are in the Tennessee Valley.

All six of the needed projects in North Alabama are suggested widening projects to help with growth and congestion in the area. Here's a breakdown of each:

Huntsville:

- S.R.-53 from Jeff Road to Harvest Road. TRIP suggests widening to four lanes.
- Interstate 565 From I-65 to Wall Triana Rd. TRIP suggests adding lanes to 565 for this stretch of 8.75 miles to help with growth.

Colbert Co.:

- S.R. 133 from U.S. 72 to S.R. 184. TRIP suggests widening from two lanes to 4 lanes.

Cullman Co.:

- S.R. 69 from 4th Ave. to College Hill Drive. TRIP suggests widening to four lanes.
- Interstate 65 from the Blount County Line to 2.6 miles south of S.R. 69. TRIP suggests adding lanes to help with growth in the area.
- S.R. 157 from S.R. 69 to U.S. 31. TRIP suggests widening from two lanes to four lanes.

Just for these six projects funding is estimated to be more than \$200 million.

According to the report, Birmingham is the city that needs the most infrastructure improvement, with 10 suggested projects. To read the full report click [here](#).