Most needed road repairs in north Alabama

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HUNTSVILLE, AL (WAFF) - If you've noticed your commute is taking longer than it used to, you're probably right. More and more drivers are packing the roadways in the Tennessee Valley these days and it's definitely taking a toll on the roads.

Road work projects are ranked by priority. The national transportation research group TRIP, put together its list of the top 49 road projects Alabama needs.

Six north Alabama roadways are named on a road work project list. (Source: http://www.tripnet.org/

Six of those projects listed are right here in north Alabama. Those projects all focus on road widening to help with congestion and rapid growth.

- Colbert County: State Route 133 from U.S. 72 to State Route 184
- Cullman County: State Route 69 from 4th Avenue to College Hill Drive; Interstate 65 from Blount County Line to 2.6 miles south of State Route 69; State Route 157 from State Route 69 to U.S. 31
- Madison County/Limestone County: State Route 53 from Jeff Road to Harvest Road and I-565 from I-65 to Wall Triana

All of the projects combined in North Alabama would cost more than $200 million.