

## National group to talk deficient Grand Strand, S.C. roads

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The event begins at 11 a.m. at the chamber, located at 1200 N. Oak St. in Myrtle Beach.



A national research group is going to discuss the state of roads in South Carolina on Tuesday. (Source: WMBF News)

MYRTLE BEACH, SC (WMBF) – A national transportation research group will present the findings of its new report that states driving on deficient roads cost South Carolinians billions annually.

According to a press release, representatives with the group [TRIP](#) will join local speakers at the Myrtle Beach Area Chamber of Commerce on Tuesday to discuss the findings.

On a local level, deficient roads cost Myrtle Beach drivers nearly \$1,800 per year, the release stated. Statewide, the impact is \$5.4 billion a year in the form of additional vehicle operating costs, congestion-related delays, and traffic crashes, according to TRIP's report titled South Carolina Transportation by the Numbers: Meeting the State's Need for

Safe, Smooth and Efficient Mobility.

That report examines road and bridge conditions, congestion, economic development, highway safety, and transportation funding in South Carolina, the release stated. In addition to statewide information, it also examines regional data for the Charleston, Columbia, Florence, Greenville-Spartanburg-Anderson and Myrtle Beach urban areas.

TRIP is a national non-profit transportation research group based in Washington D.C.