MISSISSIPPI’S RURAL ROADS AND BRIDGES ARE IN NEED OF IMPROVEMENT

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Mississippi’s rural roads and bridges have significant deficiencies.

Repairs and modernization are needed to improve conditions, boost safety, and support growth and connectivity.

According to a report just released by TRIP, a national transportation research group, our state ranks seventh nationally when it comes to road deficiencies and thirteenth for worst bridge conditions.

Mississippi’s rate of traffic fatalities is significantly higher on non-interstate roads than on all other roads in the state.

State lawmakers have recently passed legislation to help improve our road and bridge conditions.