



W.Va. roads in disrepair: Report finds one-third in poor or mediocre condition

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The findings were discussed during a virtual press conference held by the group on Tuesday morning.

TRIP stated that while state and federal investments are facilitating transportation improvements, the state's ability to maintain these advancements is being challenged by rising costs and the diminishing purchasing power of motor fuel tax revenues.

"The TRIP report found that within the Wheeling area, 31% of the region's major roadways have pavement in either poor or mediocre condition, which is costing the average motorist in the Wheeling area \$493 annually in additional vehicle operating costs because of driving on rough roads," said Rocky Moretti, director of policy & research, TRIP.

State officials participating in the call highlighted the progress made in recent years due to the Roads to Prosperity program.