

Albany roads deteriorating, drivers pay the price



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ALBANY, N.Y. (NEWS10) – A report released on Thursday finds that over half of Albany's major roads are in poor or mediocre condition and in serious need of repairs.

The report was completed by Trip, the National Transportation Research Group. It finds that because of these conditions the average driver in the Albany area spends an additional \$480 a

year in extra car expenses like accelerated depreciation, repair cost, tire wear, and fuel consumption.

It also finds that congestion on Albany roads is worsening, causing 42 hours of delay a year for the average driver.

"We all want the conveniences of smooth roads, clean roads, we want clear road policy within few hours of snowstorm, and there is a price to pay for that," said an official.

The report concludes that an increased investment at local, state and federal levels will lessen the impact on drivers' wallets and even lead to long-term economic growth.