Research Group Claims Rochester Drivers Paying For Rough Roads

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A transportation research group says bad roadways are costing Rochester motorists.

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Trip is a non-profit transportation research group. They released new reports in several Upstate cities, including Rochester, claiming bad roads and bridges and traffic problems could be costing Rochestarians almost \$1700 a year per driver.

Rocky Moretti is the Director of Policy and Research at TRIP.

"If you break that down there's three major components: The first is driving on rough roads which are beating up vehicles and, unfortunately, vehicles just don't last as long when cars are in rough shape."

Moretti says traffic can also contribute to overall costs, either through traffic accidents, or just through the value of time lost.

Governor Cuomo has proposed a \$22 billion multi-year investment in transportation infrastructure as part of his 2016 budget.