



## Support a Comprehensive Transportation Funding Solution

Colorado is at a crossroads on the issue of transportation funding. The state gas tax has not been raised since 1991 and over the last 25 years its buying power has been diminished by inflation and higher fuel efficiency standards. As a result, the state has fallen further and further behind in its ability to create and maintain a transportation system that moves people and goods safely and efficiently.

HB 1242 attempts to infuse new fiscal resources into maintenance and improvement of the **statewide** transportation system – of which local roads and bridges are a key component. When you exit a state highway you are usually getting onto a county or municipal road. It is not effective to invest in a state corridor without access to communities or in a local transportation network without access to the state system. This partnership between the state and local governments is essential to the efficiency and effectiveness of Colorado's transportation network.

Counties are responsible for the construction and maintenance of **over 58,000 center line miles of county roads** in Colorado. Counties are also responsible for the construction and maintenance of **over 3,000 county bridges** around the state. Of those 3,000+ bridges, more than 300 are either structurally deficient or functionally obsolete and in need of replacement. For counties, these concrete and pavement projects are essential for public safety and dominate their transportation needs.

CCI urges the members of the General Assembly to work together to place a measure on the ballot this November that incorporates the historic HUTF share of revenues for all jurisdictions, that allows for the use of new funding on transportation and mobility solutions that make sense locally, and that expedites the construction of projects requiring multi-year financing.

**CCI urges your support of an equitable and sustainable statewide transportation funding solution**

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