

Transportation funding must be a priority in Pennsylvania

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Letters to the Editor

I echo the sentiments written in the editorial "Road Rage: Patience is wearing thin for Gov. Corbett to do something about transportation funding" on Sept. 2. It has been seven months since the governor's budget address and the last time that he has mentioned anything in regard to transportation. It has been more than a year since the governor's own Transportation Funding Advisory Commission delivered its report to him, and he has yet to comment on the commission's recommendations.

While our elected leaders in Harrisburg are continuing to ignore the problem of our crumbling infrastructure, the citizens of the commonwealth are left with the heavy burden of \$7 billion of debt at the turnpike, driving on rough roads, detouring around closed bridges and finding other options when transit routes are cut. Businesses also suffer when they cannot deliver or receive their products in a timely manner.

Our patience is more than wearing thin. Pennsylvania's national standing as a leading economic engine is waning. Action on this issue is way past due, and our governor and leaders in Harrisburg must get to work today. Pennsylvanians need and deserve a solution to this problem now.

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