

Report: State's roads, bridges need work

By Bill Cummings

A national report says Connecticut's interstate highways are among the worst in the nation, with too many cars on the road, too much congestion and too many bridges in need of repair.

"The long-term vision that helped establish the current interstate system 60 years ago is needed again today," said Will Wilkins, executive director of TRIP, a national transportation research group that produced the report.

The TRIP research found Connecticut's interstate highways carry the third most vehicles per mile in the nation, are the eighth most congested and have the fifth-worst bridges.

Connecticut officials did not disagree with the assessment, even if solutions to pay for needed improvements remain elusive.

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