



COLORADO SPRINGS MEDIA ADVISORY

DEFICIENT ROADS COST COLORADO SPRNGS DRIVERS NEARLY \$2,000 PER YEAR

*Local speakers join national research group in review of
road & bridge conditions, congestion, safety*

WHEN: 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, March 1

WHERE: America the Beautiful Park
126 Cimino Drive
Colorado Springs, Colorado

WHAT: The average driver in the Colorado Springs area loses nearly \$2,000 annually as a result of driving on roads that are deteriorated, congested, and that lack some desirable safety features, according to a new report from [TRIP](http://tripnet.org), a national nonprofit transportation research group based in Washington, DC. Local speakers will join TRIP on Wednesday to highlight the report's findings and discuss possible solutions.

The report, *Colorado Transportation by the Numbers: Meeting the State's Need for Safe, Smooth and Efficient Mobility*, examines road and bridge conditions, congestion, economic development, highway safety, and transportation funding in Colorado. In addition to statewide information, the report contains regional data for the Colorado Springs, Denver, Northern Colorado, Grand Junction and Pueblo urban areas.

WHO: Dirk Draper, President and CEO, Colorado Springs Chamber and Economic Development Corporation

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