

# SOUTH CAROLINA

## **Current Transportation Condition:**

- 10% of major roads are in poor condition
  - Costing motorists \$1.3b a year - \$378 per motorist<sup>1</sup>
  - Total of 767 people died on state highways in 2013<sup>2</sup>
- Vehicle travel on SC's highways has increased by 43% from 1990-2013<sup>3</sup>, while the population grew by 35 percent.<sup>4</sup>
- Congestion costs American motorists \$121b a year in wasted time and fuel costs<sup>5</sup>

## **Commerce:**

- 84% of the \$156b in commodities delivered annually from sites in SC is transported by trucks on the state's highways.<sup>6</sup>

## **Need for Federal Investment**

- 79% Federal share of SC Highway Capital Program<sup>7</sup>
- National Interstate Backlog of \$185.24b on 47,575 miles of interstate.<sup>8</sup>
  - National Highway System (NHS) backlog of \$424.5b on 227,224 miles of the NHS.

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## **DRIVE Act**    **→**    *What this does for South Carolina*

## **Prioritizing Bridge Reconstruction and Safety:**

- Increased bridge set aside funding for:
  - SC's 1,031 structurally deficient bridges – 20.6% are structurally deficient or functionally obsolete<sup>9</sup>

## **Improving Commerce:**

- FY16 dedicated funding for Freight Program: \$34,036,402
- Prioritizing federal spending on interstate for projects in the national economic interest

## **Long-term 6 year Certainty:**

- FY16 total share: \$693,867,634
- Major Projects in jeopardy<sup>10</sup>
  - \$23 million to extend SC 153 from US 123 To S-135 Prince Perry Road
  - \$24.7 million to extend Platt Spring Road

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<sup>1</sup> TRIP

<sup>2</sup> FHWA

<sup>3</sup> TRIP

<sup>4</sup> US Census

<sup>5</sup> TRIP.

<sup>6</sup> TRIP.

<sup>7</sup> ARTBA

<sup>8</sup> AASHTO and FHWA

<sup>9</sup> FHWA

<sup>10</sup> <http://www.scpolicycouncil.org/featured/how-does-road-money-get-spent>

- o \$270 million for improvements to the I-85/I-385 interchange
- Building off NEPA reforms accomplished in MAP-21, DRIVE is cutting red tape and accelerating project delivery to increase SC's ability to efficiently finish projects.
- DRIVE delivers 6 years of certainty. 12 short term extension since SAFETEA-LU have impeded on SC's ability to properly plan and budget for transportation projects.
- DRIVE gives SC the ability to prepare for the next 50 years. With a focus on innovation, SC can better deploy technology to improve the state transportation network.