## We depend upon our highways for nearly everything we need and do. Every day.

## But those highways:

- · Are getting more crowded, threatening our economy
- · Are wearing out, threatening our safety



The **demand** for **roadway space** has grown much faster than the **supply** of that space. It's that simple.

## The average Texan:



- Pays \$22 in taxes and fees each month to use those highways
- Loses nearly \$1,000 and 44 hours every year due to traffic jams

While **fuel costs** have **tripled**, the **gas tax** — the primary way we pay for our roads **has stayed the same** (since 1991).

> Gallon of Gas Gas Tax Portion

in traffic, wasted fuel, higher prices for goods,

and slower emergency response times.







238%



population

n vehicles

\$3.08

2014

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So thanks to inflation, we have less and less money available to pay for roads and bridges. And some of that money goes to pay

that money goes to pay back the \$17 billion the state borrowed to build highways.

## Texas is facing huge transportation challenges,

and how we meet those challenges is partly up to you.

Be better informed and more involved.



\$1.10

1991

There is a price

to solving the

problem. But

nothing will be

even higher —

more time sitting

the cost of doing