

**Republicans and Democrats agree:** “In every state, transportation plays a vital role in economic development and quality of life.

“Here in Connecticut, transportation has not been made a priority for far too long. Funding has been unpredictable and unreliable and funds intended for transportation projects have often been siphoned off to spend elsewhere.

“As a result, our transportation system is far from where it needs to be to foster growth and advancement”

--GOP Prioritize Progress Plan  
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### **The Republican Plan: “Prioritized Borrowing”**

- **Borrows \$700 million/year over 30 years and does not solve the deficit in the Special Transportation Fund.**
- **CT residents pay 100% of principal, plus interest; Saddles future generations with unsubsidized debt, resulting in a likely income tax increase.**
- **Funding is unpredictable and unreliable – subject to will of Legislature and Governor over 30 years**
- **Due to this unbudgeted proposed borrowing, the Republican plan will drastically reduce funding for:**
  - **Municipal aid programs**
  - **School construction projects**
  - **The Strategic Defense Sikorsky Agreement**
  - **Clean water projects**
  - **Flood control projects for municipalities**
  - **Manufacturing assistance programs**
  - **Brownfield remediation programs**
  - **Housing programs**

### **Gov. Lamont’s Plan: Sustainable, Responsible & Reliable**

- **Raises \$800 million/year exclusively dedicated to transportation infrastructure (protected by CT Constitution & Federal Highway Administration)**
- **CT Drivers receive a substantial discount (~50%)**
- **Out-of-State drivers foot 40% of the bill**
- **Reliable, sustainable and protected revenue source supported by business and labor**

More than **50%** of residents support tolling when they learn that the funds generated will be protected by the Transportation Lockbox, as well as federal law.