



## **End of Week Summary: June 2, 2019**

### **State Update**

After passage of the transportation funding measure last week, legislators who supported transportation investment started hearing from taxpayers opposed to higher taxes. TFIC organization members began responding with positive comments on social media pages for those legislators. We need to continue this work. Please take time to follow your local legislators and to encourage your members to do the same. And, as you monitor the social media accounts, take time to place positive comments.

### ***Letters to the editor***

TFIC is in the process also of identifying transportation supporters among our membership and beyond who would sign letters to the editor to be published in local media outlets throughout the state. If you haven't already volunteered (and for those who have, thank you!) please let me know of your interest. We will work with you to develop a draft letter and provide instructions for how to submit the letter.

## ***IDOT***

IDOT is internally reworking the multi-year plan to reflect the new and increased funding that will be available. Look for an updated plan in the next month.

## ***Updated Website***

We have updated the TFIC website with an "It's Time" tab that contains all of the information we accumulated this spring. The tab includes messaging documents, powerpoints, charts, etc, that are available for your members, legislators, and the media.

## **Federal Update**

The House Appropriations Committee advanced a transportation budget that increased spending over the level requested by President Trump. More on the committee's action is [here](#).

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## **In the News**

[Rep. Avery Bourne: Infrastructure Investments Will Spur Economy](#)

(State Journal Register)

[Rule-making Proposals Issued on Autonomous Vehicles](#)

(AASHTO Journal)

[Americans Avoiding Car Travel Due to Congestion](#)

(AASHTO Journal)

[In National. Focus On Infrastructure Great Lakes Ports Overlooked](#)

(WCPN Radio)

[Recommended Policies for Trends in US Mobility](#)

(Carnegie Mellon University)

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