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Treasury report: Traffic congestion wastes billions in gas, time

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Drivers in the Dallas-Fort Worth area face increasingly heavy traffic every day, and a new study by the U.S. Treasury Department says that nationwide, drivers are wasting 1.9 billion gallons of gasoline a year on congested roadways.

USA Today said that the report was released Friday in support of President Obama's plan to upgrade and expand the nation's transportation infrastructure in fiscal year 2013.

According to the report, traffic congestion costs motorists more than \$100 billion a year in wasted fuel and lost time.

The House will vote today on a temporary extension to continue providing highway and transit support to states as the spring construction season begins, *USA Today* reported.

The administration supports a \$109 billion bill approved by the Senate this month, while House Republicans are divided over a five-year \$260 billion bill, *USA Today* reported.

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