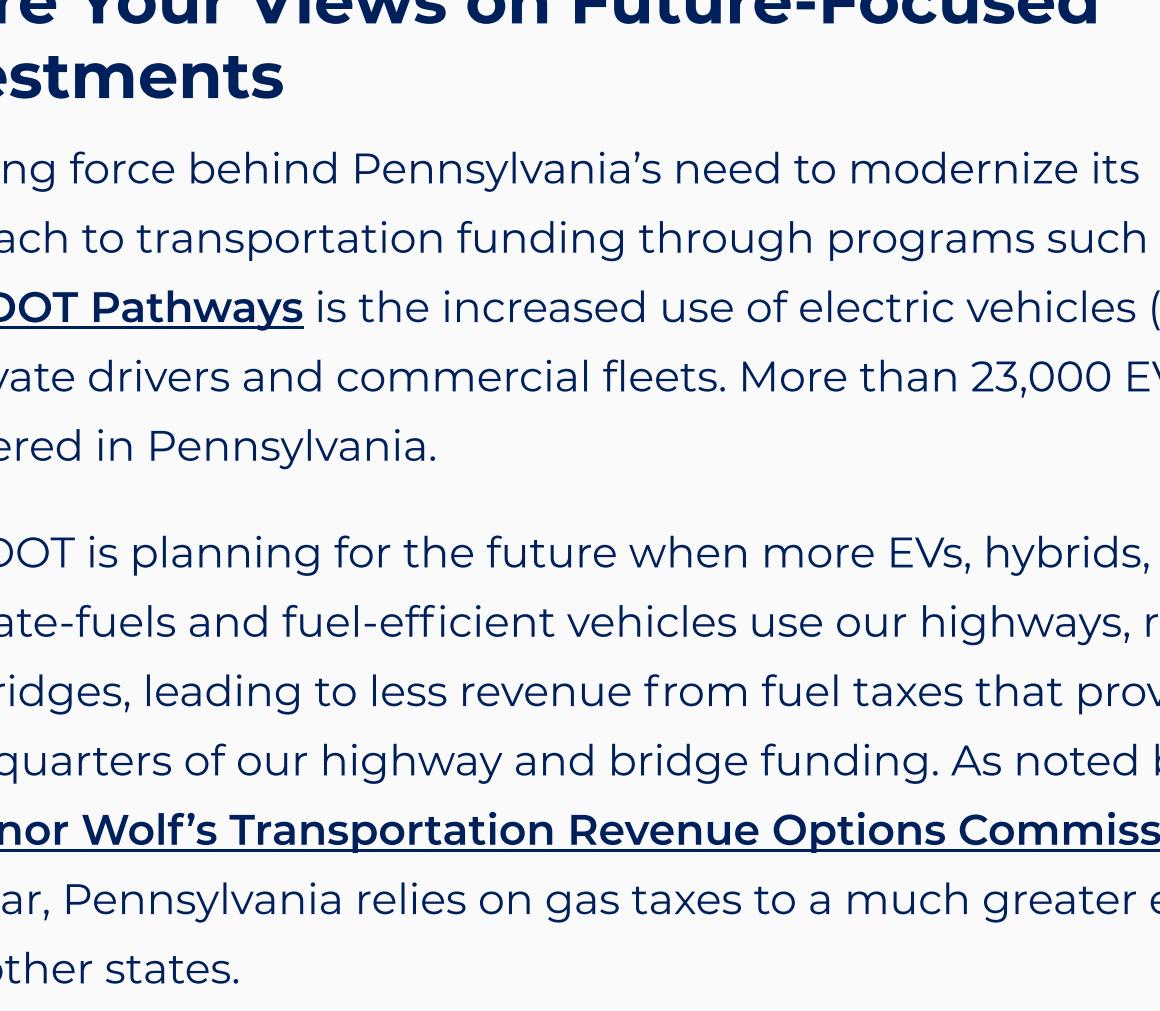


# June 2022 Newsletter



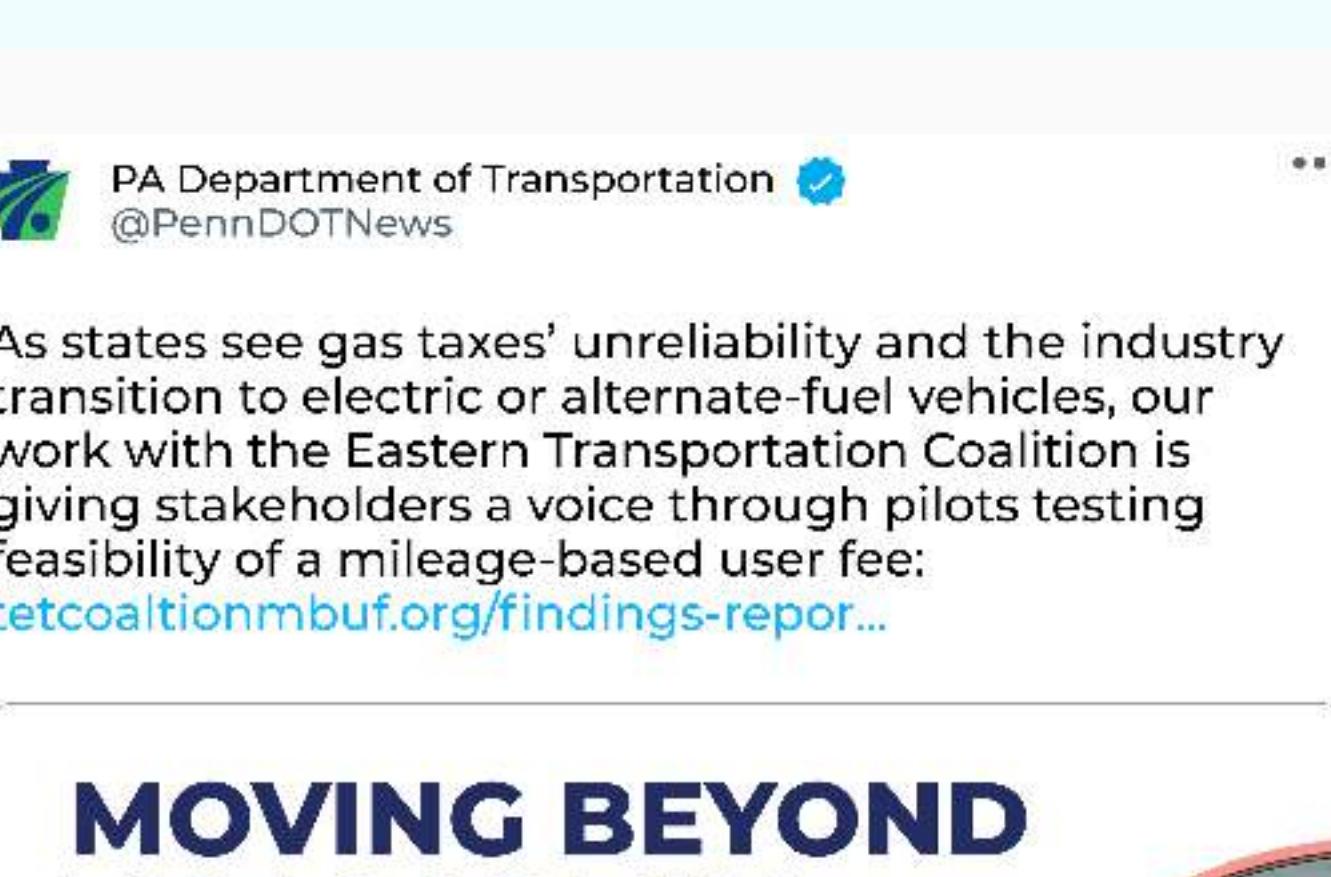
## Share Your Views on Future-Focused Investments

A driving force behind Pennsylvania's need to modernize its approach to transportation funding through programs such as PennDOT Pathways is the increased use of electric vehicles (EVs) by private drivers and commercial fleets. More than 23,000 EVs are registered in Pennsylvania.

PennDOT is planning for the future when more EVs, hybrids, alternate-fuels and fuel-efficient vehicles use our highways, roads and bridges, leading to less revenue from fuel taxes that provide three quarters of our highway and bridge funding. As noted by Governor Wolf's Transportation Revenue Options Commission last year, Pennsylvania relies on gas taxes to a much greater extent than other states.

### Gas Tax as a Percentage of Total Transportation Revenue by State

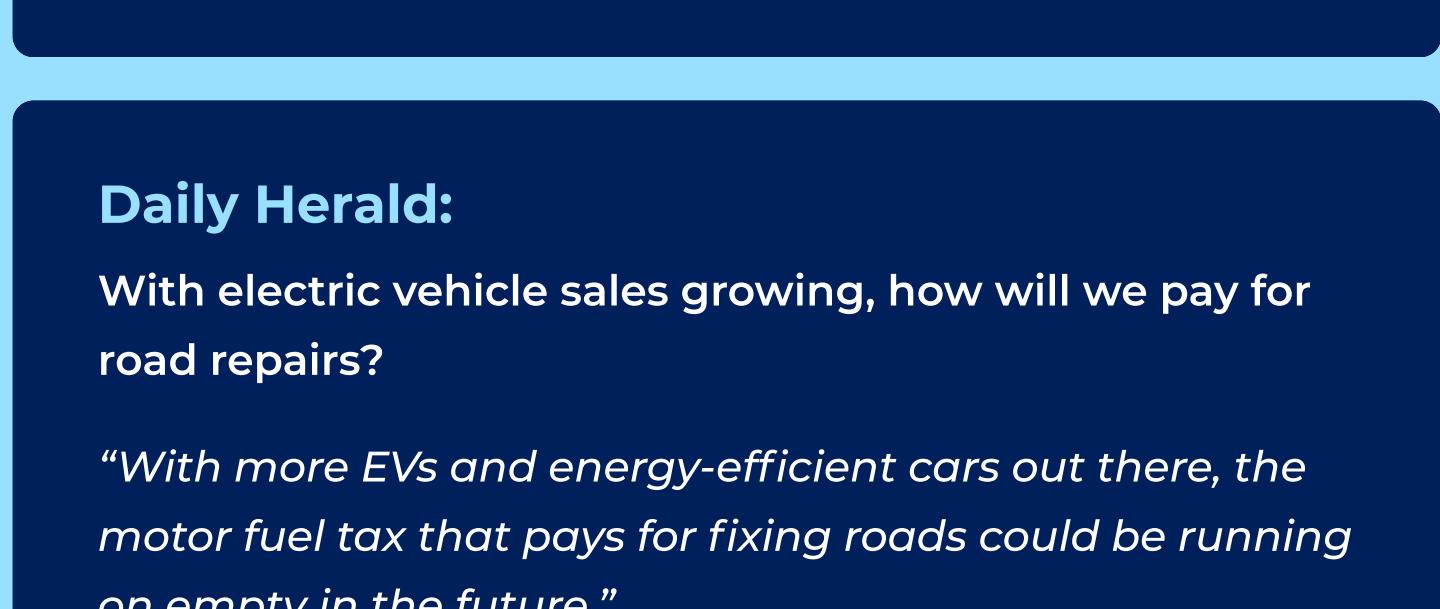
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Increased EV use will also require investments to our highway network to accommodate more charging infrastructure and other updates. As part of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), PennDOT will receive and distribute \$171.5 million in National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) Formula Program funds for charging infrastructure over the next five years.

PennDOT has written a draft plan to access and distribute the money and encourages the public to share feedback on its goals, prioritization, and administration components through a survey launched this month.

The survey – which also includes an overview of the Federal Highway Administration's NEVI Formula Program Guidance – is available at [penndot.pa.gov/EV](http://penndot.pa.gov/EV), and will close on **Thursday, June 30, 2022**. The public can also submit feedback by emailing [ra-pdevcorridors@pa.gov](mailto:ra-pdevcorridors@pa.gov). The results of this survey will build upon past and on-going outreach and discussions with lawmakers, planning partners, utilities, local government organizations, EV-charging companies and stakeholders with equity, labor, education, and environmental expertise.



## In Case You Missed It: Your Infrastructure Dollars at Work

The construction and maintenance work underway across Pennsylvania includes projects supported by hundreds of millions of dollars from the federal Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL).

PennDOT recently highlighted the investments, BIL impacts and key projects happening in each region. See the PennDOT Way for a district-by-district look at investments and plans.

The BIL is a huge step in the right direction but does not address all of our transportation funding challenges. Without the reliable, future-focused solutions being pursued by PennDOT Pathways, funding challenges will continue to grow, putting projects like these at risk.

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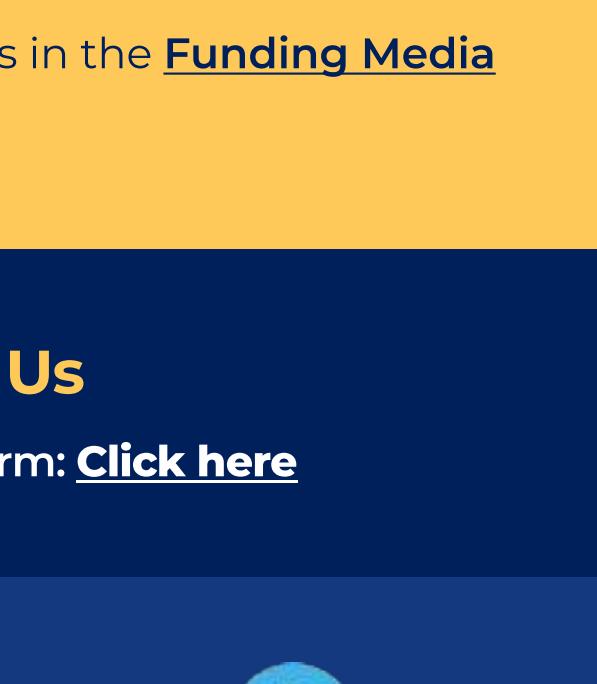
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As states see gas taxes' unreliability and the industry transition to electric or alternate-fuel vehicles, our work with the Eastern Transportation Coalition is giving stakeholders a voice through pilots testing feasibility of a mileage-based user fee: [tetcoalitionmbuf.org/findings-report...](http://tetcoalitionmbuf.org/findings-report...)

## MOVING BEYOND THE GAS TAX

Studying reliable, use-based options



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Want to share information on your social or digital platforms? Find image, video and other resources in the Funding Media Center.

## Tribune-Review:

Southwestern Pa. transit plan allocates \$1.5 billion for bridge, other infrastructure improvements

"Roads and bridges in Southwestern Pennsylvania will see a \$300 million boost in funding because of the infrastructure law enacted in 2021."

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## Pittsburgh Post-Gazette:

Inflation could put severe limits on the benefits of infrastructure funding increase

"With rampant inflation and problems getting basic materials like concrete and asphalt ... officials say they are concerned that the federal windfall may not have nearly the benefit they expected."

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## Daily Herald:

With electric vehicle sales growing, how will we pay for road repairs?

"With more EVs and energy-efficient cars out there, the motor fuel tax that pays for fixing roads could be running on empty in the future."

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## Fox17 West Michigan:

Study highlights benefits of mileage tax in place of gas tax

"It's important to 'future-proof' Michigan's highway revenue, making it independent of vehicle propulsion sources."

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