

Let's get Missouri Moving Again Yes on 7

Appearing on the August 5th, 2014 primary ballot



What is the Temporary Sales Tax Ballot Initiative?

- ✓ A measure to improve Missouri's roads and bridges through a 3/4th of 1% increase in Missouri sales tax for the next 10 years
- ✓ Money will only be spent on the improvement of roads, bridges, and other priority transportation projects in Missouri
90% of the revenue will fund state priority transportation projects through MoDOT, 5% will be given to counties, and the remaining 5% will be given to cities for local transportation projects
- ✓ All projects completed through MoDOT will be voted on by the Missouri Highway and Transportation Commission and completion will be constitutionally guaranteed

Protecting Taxpayers

- ✓ This sales tax will only apply to non-essential items, specifically exempted are: groceries, gas, utilities, mortgage and car payments, healthcare, prescription drugs, education, and retirement savings
- ✓ This measure blocks opponents from raising the unpopular gas tax

Modernizing Missouri Transit

- ✓ Transportation funds collected from sales tax instead of fuel can go towards public transit
- ✓ The first state-wide funding proposal to generate funding for metropolitan areas to modernize and improve their public transportation

Growing Missouri's Economy

- ✓ Improving infrastructure and public transit will create thousands of new, good paying jobs
- ✓ Businesses want to be located in states with a modern, reliable transportation system; upgrading roads and bridges is vital to Missouri's economy

Prioritizing Safety

- ✓ 65% of Missouri roads and bridges are in "fair" or "poor" condition
- ✓ This measure requires unsafe roads and bridges to be prioritized
- ✓ Without immediate action Missouri infrastructure will increasingly deteriorate, endangering lives

Ensuring Accountability

- ✓ Creating the tax through a constitutional amendment prevents future politicians from diverting funds to non-transportation spending
- ✓ A vote of the people will hold MoDOT accountable for producing specific projects and timelines.
- ✓ MoDOT will submit a public project list and timeline detailing what upgrades and improvements would be made with these funds

The measure passed through the legislature with overwhelming bipartisan support, including 105 votes in the Missouri House and 22 votes in the Missouri Senate, and has received support from business, labor, agriculture and community groups throughout the state.



Let's Get Missouri Moving Again with New Roads, Bridges and jobs

Vote YES on Amendment 7 | Tuesday, August 5

Official Ballot Title:

Should the Missouri Constitution be changed to enact a temporary sales tax of three-quarters of one percent to be used solely to fund state and local highways, roads, bridges and transportation projects for ten years, with priority given to repairing unsafe roads and bridges?

This change is expected to produce \$480 million annually to the state's Transportation Safety and Job Creation Fund and \$54 million for local governments. Increases in the gas tax will be prohibited. This revenue shall only be used for transportation purposes and cannot be diverted for other uses.



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