

Legislation Text

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## MEMORANDUM

**TO**: The Honorable Tina Scott, Chair, Lake County Board of Supervisors

FROM: Bruno Sabatier, District 2 Supervisor Moke Simon, District 1 Supervisor

DATE: September 10, 2019

**SUBJECT**: Discussion and direction about seeking to offer voters the ability to vote on a sales tax measure to improve roads.

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

As we know, the county roads Pavement Condition Index (PCI) currently sits at 37. Even with the increase from SB1, over the course of the next 10 years we will still not be able to raise the quality of our roads to a PCI of 50.

Our roads are detrimental to the budgets of our law enforcement and fire district vehicles, our transit system vehicles, as well as the personal vehicles of the residents in the unincorporated county. The national transportation research group TRIP finds that bad roads can cost as little as \$516 per year and up to as much as over \$1000 per year. These costs have an affect on our residents, on our commercial districts, and on our services that we provide to our residents who live on bad roads.

Better roads also lead to healthier lifestyles where people feel safer to ride their bikes, walk, or jog on our streets. Better roads can lead to greater interest in businesses wanting to invest in Lake County due to an improved infrastructure. Better roads can lead to increased property values. All of these positives would benefit the residents and the county as a whole.

FISCAL IMPACT: <u>x</u> None <u>Budgeted</u> Non-Budgeted Estimated Cost: Amount Budgeted: Additional Requested: Annual Cost (if planned for future years):

FISCAL IMPACT (Narrative): None

## STAFFING IMPACT (if applicable): None

## **RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Direction to staff.