SUMMARY

One of the most important functions of the Department of Transportation is maintenance of State highways. This is the second largest single outlay of the total highway dollar. During FY 2012, the Maintenance Division will be engaged in maintaining approximately 15,000 lane miles of hard surface roadway. Good maintenance is important to the safety and convenience of the public and protects the investment of the citizens of Utah in their highway network.

DISCUSSION

The Analyst is recommending an additional $1,773,000 from the Transportation Fund to the Maintenance Administration Program in FY 2012 to help offset the inflation in maintenance projects and assist with increased lane miles added throughout the state. The Analyst notes that the estimated revenue increase in the Transportation Fund for FY 2012 is 1.3 percent. This increase to the Maintenance Budget represents a 1.3 percent increase on the maintenance functions and expenditures compared to FY 2011 estimated expenditures.

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

The Analyst is recommending an appropriation of $1,773,000 from the Transportation Fund for the DOT Maintenance Program for FY 2012.