



Senate Democrats

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Weekly Democratic radio address: Walker’s Rough Roads Getting Worse

MADISON, WI – Senator Mark Miller (D-Monona) offered the Democratic weekly radio address today.

The audio file of this week’s address can be found here:

<http://media2.legis.wisconsin.gov/multimedia/Sen16/millerradio022317.mp3>

A written transcript of the address is below:

“Hello, this is Senator Mark Miller with this week’s democratic radio address.

“This week the Joint Committee on Audit had a hearing on the results of the Department of Transportation’s (DOT) State Highway Program audit. If you drive on roads in Wisconsin, you know the results. Deteriorating roads, escalating costs and failed management.

“According to the audit, the DOT significantly underestimated the costs of projects by over \$3 billion. The Governor’s budget proposal does nothing to address this crisis. We are likely to experience continued delays in road projects, increasing costs to taxpayers even more.

“Wisconsin roads are currently ranked 4th worst in the nation, causing increased expenses for drivers. Unsafe roads cost drivers in unexpected car repairs, delayed commute times and cause traffic accidents.

“Legislative Republicans need to start working towards actual solutions and stop kicking the can down the road. Wisconsin cannot afford another failed budget full of tax breaks for the wealthy while our roads fall into disrepair. We all deserve better.”

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