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the winter months, they cannot do anything on the roads, and so they do most of the roadwork in the summertime, so they need more money then, and they can run pretty low then, and gain it back in the wintertime. But delaying a project costs more. Every year, cost goes up doing projects. And with the cost going up, if you delay a project one year, it's nothing for them to cost several thousand more dollars to do the same project. And if they get behind, then the roads get unsafe. And it just puts them farther behind all the time. And so anyway, another thing that I wanted to bring out, that something was said about Game and Parks. This year there's federal tax money coming...gas tax money coming back to the state of Nebraska. And they're giving \$350,000 for the improvement on the Cowboy Trail. So they are really helping out on the Game and Parks ground. And that's actually federal tax money that should be coming back for roads. And I wish there was some way to change that around. But there's about 9 or 10 million dollars that comes back every year for that, that's supposed to be used for something besides roads. And I think that that's something that a lot of people don't realize, though, that there's a commission in this state that decides where that money goes. But the farther behind you get, and the farther delay projects, the more it's going to cost when you get down to the bottom line. And I think this plan was put in place several years ago. And everybody looks back at Jerry Warner for putting it in. I wasn't here when that happened. But I can see the results of it, that it is something, a good proj...a good plan that they put in place. And I think we should keep it. And I'm against this amendment. I think we should continue to keep this going, because this is gasoline tax, and it should be used for the roads.

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR JONES: It should not be used for the General Fund, because there's no General Fund money in it to start out with. So why should we take it and put it in the General Fund when there's no General Fund money using at all? Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Jones. Senator Loudon, followed by Senator Thompson.