Senate File 257 was signed into law in 2015, increasing gasoline taxes by 10 cents for consumers. Since enactment, revenue from motor fuel excise taxes has increased by an estimated $515.0 million. Iowa's constitution mandates that all revenue from motor fuel excise taxes be deposited into the Road Use Tax Fund and used on highways. Senate File 257 requires that any increase in revenue to State and local authorities from motor fuel taxes be spent on critical road and bridge projects.

Iowa counties programmed an estimated $97.8 million in roadway projects using the additional revenue in FY 2017. Please note that project totals may include additional funding separate from the increased revenues generated by SF 257.

Sources: Iowa DOT, LSA calculations
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