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Burned and with both feet on the ground

With all the prior toll increases, real questions exist whether the MTA essentially diverted money from bridge repair and maintenance. Who does not know that deferred maintenance increases costs – drastically? To the extent the the MTA budgets based on existing and projected toll revenue, bridge delays and closures result in lost revenues, including for transit. This also raises questions about what the MTA does with its money. Neil [Young](#) penned lyrics for a [Buffalo Springfield](#) (named for a steamroller) [song](#) giving title to this post performed recently at [Bonaroo](#).

*Now I'm finding out that it's so confusin',
No time left and I know I'm losin'.*

This episode certainly offers the public little assurance of getting what they deserve. Bus and subway riders, motorists, suburban commuters all beware.

NEW YORK POST

Bridges crumble as MTA tolls soar

By ZACH CRIZER
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Drivers are paying more -- but their money is being spent elsewhere while the agency's bridges are falling apart, an analysis of state data shows.

One-fifth of the agency's spans or their approaches scored below the middle point on the state's bridge-maintenance rating system.

Racking up the lowest score was the RFK Bridge, formerly the Triborough.

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