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House Dems Call for 5 Times More Infrastructure Spending Than What's Expected in Trump's Plan.

WASHINGTON — Democrats in the U.S. House on Thursday called for $1 trillion of federal infrastructure spending on public assets such as roads, railways, high-speed internet and schools.

A group of Democratic lawmakers made their pitch in advance of Monday's slated White House release of "principles" for President Trump's long-anticipated infrastructure proposal. Administration officials have indicated that the Trump plan will call for about $200 billion of direct federal spending over a decade.

"The president talks a big act, but then he proposes a small bill," House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi, of California, said at a press conference. She described the president's approach to infrastructure as a "disappointment" and said it would shift burdens onto city and state budgets.

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