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**Why do you want legislators to demand ODOT conduct an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the proposed \$1.9 Billion Rose Quarter Freeway Expansion? Why should legislators on the Joint Special Subcommittee on Transportation Planning instead direct ODOT to prioritize investing in transportation options like repairing existing roads, improving traffic safety, and tackling climate change with transit investments?**

A full EIS is needed because the entire project could be avoided and the demand for expansion curtailed by congestion pricing of tolls and investment in mass transit. This is an alternative that needs full exploration.

The climate impacts of this project are inadequately addressed.

The costs of the project are surely underestimated.

The ODOT bureaucracy is not capable of managing this project competently.

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