

Hello,

I'd like to voice my support for regional tolling. If done properly, congestion pricing and tolling are an excellent tool to improve our transportation system. I am supportive of implementation if, and only if, the revenues are used to improve non-SOV options such as transit and active transportation, revenues are shared with local jurisdictions impacted by rolling (not for road widening - stipulate that!), and use of the 400% MFI threshold for low income tolling is adopted.

We've known for decades we need to do things differently and I am pleased to see ODOT beginning our transition. We can't continue to build our entire lives around cars at any expense. It is not equitable, sustainable, and is barely livable.

In summary, I support tolling if the money is used to reduce car use and shared with local jurisdictions and we have plans to ensure equitable impacts in the early years of adoption while other modes are lacking. We can do this. It will be tough. Please don't back down now.

Cheers,

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