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**What do you want to tell legislators about the proposed \$1.9 Billion Rose Quarter Freeway Expansion and Oregon's transportation system?**

Freeway expansions in Portland and cities across North America have a history of destroying and polluting communities of color, especially Black neighborhoods. ODOTs plan to make a mega freeway, three times larger than the current standing one, in the heart of Portland's Black community goes to show that our systems are still plagued with institutional racism. Rather than adding lanes for more private vehicles, we should use our funds to be redevelop and redesign our transportation systems. We need a MAX extension over the I-5 Bridge. We need more rapid bus systems. We need express buses that run on highway shoulders. We need anything but more lanes to our super polluting, noisy, and non-pedestrian highways.