

To Members of the Legislature:

I am a NW Portland resident, and I am sorry I could not attend your informational meeting in Gladstone today. In 2011, I suffered a TBI as a violent crime victim, and as a consequence, I have to take anti-seizure medication that limits my ability to drive. In order to attend your in-person meeting, per Trimet's Transit Planner, to attend your meeting, I would have to take a two-transfer 1 hour 45 minute transit journey on buses involving 30 minute headways and walk two miles and have to arrive 35 minutes early. The return trip, due to weekend service cuts, would be over 3 hours. In comparison, driving would take 29 minutes for 13 miles in light traffic, per Bing's direction planner.

Regarding Oregon highway tolling proposals in the name of "reducing congestion," the reality is for most trips, Trimet and Transit are not viable alternatives. I could never accept a commute to a job in Gladstone under present circumstances - and I feel trapped in your future of a 15-minute smart city gulag because there are no credible plans to offer Oregonians a real alternative. Thus, the toll becomes the troll under the bridge, extorting wealth from the poor commuters who need to build it. The result is income inequality for no tangible benefit. The true purpose of your programs is to cause people to fall out of society in the name of covert eugenics by gradually making people economically unviable so they do not reproduce.

Actions like yours are what lead to Agenda 21 conspiracy theories. Under the warped rhetoric of social justice, climate justice, diversity/equity/inclusion, etc. this legislature and ODOT are continuing a trend of hurting the very people you seem to pretend to care about. By making mobility less accessible, you are trapping people like myself in a doom loop of poverty. A tolling program could be justified if it was used to finance a non-polluting world-class urban rapid transit system, but it seems money-grubbing ODOT just wants to impose tolls to create a crony slush fund for the agenda of Globalism while padding its fat cat employee pensions and a nonprofit industrial complex of overpuffed "social equity" Executive Directors who throw their own service communities under the bus at every turn.

When you say you "care" about "the environment" - that's just the propaganda for your secret eugenic agenda of getting rid of Oregon's surplus population under various feel-good pretexts because you hate us for our freedoms. Your masks are off. We know you truly are.

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