

Hello,

My name is Ian Nau and I am writing to you because I received an email from Trimet about sharing my thoughts about regional transportation priorities. I will not be able to attend the listening session in person on June 4 so I would like to share my thoughts through email.

I strongly believe that our state leadership should heavily invest in a statewide commuter rail system. I believe that such a system will greatly benefit not just the Portland Metro area where I live, but will benefit many smaller communities throughout the state. I am envisioning a rail system that would reach all across the state with express and standard commuting opportunities. Imagine being able to take a four hour train ride from Portland to Pendleton; such a short and accessible option would bring growth to all those locations along these lines. This could also set the standard for the rest of the country with such a concept.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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