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The Rose Quarter Freeway Expansion project is COMPLETELY unnecessary. It costs too much and will do absolutely NOTHING to relieve congestion ... all it will do is move the bottleneck. It should be cancelled, and not one more penny should be wasted on that boondoggle.

While we need a new I-5 bridge over the Columbia River, the proposed IBR project is preposterously overbuilt and overpriced. The Legislature needs to kill that project and investigate the various "Common Sense Alternative" proposals offered by CRC/IBR critics, all of which reject the "all eggs in one basket" approach to the IBR and instead split the project components into a series of smaller proposals that can be individually addressed on their own merit.

More broadly, we don't need any more freeway mega-projects. Instead, Oregon should direct its transportation funding to maintaining the roads we already have, improving traffic safety, bringing existing bridges and viaducts up to safety standards, expanding public transit, and creating a fully connected network of bikeways. ALL of these things are more important than expanding or rebuilding freeways.