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As a native of Portland, third-generation Oregonian, woman of color, and parent of a young child, it saddens me to see legislators in our beautiful, unique landscape still prioritizing short-term, extractive solutions to deeper issues. Transportation is one such area where I see few efforts being made to address the systemic, biophilic answer to traffic, congestion, and transportation accessibility issues. What Portland wants to see is investments in road maintenance, street safety, climate action, and public transportation, to make our cities more walkable, the streets greener, and the air cleaner. Please invest in repairs and longterm improvements to existing roads and corridors, bolster bike and pedestrian safety, and divest from construction and development.