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I started riding my bikes with my young kids to Buckman School in the 80's. We were the first people to be riding to that school back then, and I got them to put in a bike rack for us to lock up our bikes. Well, here it is 2024, and there is just one more bike rack in front of the school. There should be way more bike racks there, more parents and kids riding to school together. They are not riding, because they do not feel safe. We need more roads dedicated to bikes, more REAL separated bike lanes, that make people feel safe. There are SO many more cars in this city now.

We need more transit that runs way more frequently, so more people would take it. We need high speed rail between Portland and Vancouver, Wa at least, but between Ashland and Vancouver BC would be ideal, hell, all the way down the coast.

What kind of backwards thinking are you doing talking about expanding the freeway to more lanes. It has been proven that it just adds more traffic, and no solution to bottlenecks. And the pollution! You need to be encouraging people to use public transport and bicycles and walking! I say NO to MORE FREEWAY. This is not what we want. Have you not seen the floods, fires, hurricanes mounting up due to global warming from our emissions? C'mon, do what is right! Think of the future, not just your lazy butts sitting in cars by yourself.