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As more people move to Oregon's cities, we need to shift investment to the types of transportation that allow people to live closer to one another and get around safely. Moving people and goods around the region will always be important. But biking to school, crossing an orphaned highway on foot, taking transit to work or to the doctor — these are the ways people actually get around in cities. Or at least, it's how we deserve to be able to.

We've run out of time on addressing climate change. We've maxed out the space to expand our highways. And we've lost the ability to keep highway costs anywhere near initial estimates. Oregon needs a shift in how we invest in getting around. I urge you to prioritize road maintenance and safety, to manage congestion through pricing rather than expansion, and to demand (as in Minnesota) that all state-funded transportation projects further our climate goals.