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Submitted written testimony to the Joint Committee on Transportation for the 6/4 Roadshow Hearing:

I'm a resident of Eliot neighborhood, home of the proposed Rose Quarter expansion, and I am ready for you all to shift money away from freeway expansions and mega-projects and focus on the most important needs of all Oregonians: highway caps that can support housing & a reconnected Albina; better transit; improved infrastructure for walking and bicycling; maintenance of our potholed streets; and sidewalks and safety improvements on our busiest and deadliest roads. Let's be part of a movement to get more people living in denser, healthier, greener cities, and let's get ourselves onto buses, trains, and bikes. This is the Portland we want, not one that spends our children's money to facilitate commuting by people traveling alone in their cars. It's time to tell ODOT that they can't keep pushing these megaprojects that bankrupt our coffers and damage our children's futures.