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

ODOT is in a dire financial situation and must focus on maintaining our current roads and bridges. Even with all of the proposed funding streams, ODOT could not afford both expansion and maintenance.

Raiding the general fund to pay for highway expansion while schools are underfunded would be a craven political move by our leadership and completely betray younger generations of Oregonians.

ODOT must focus on maintenance and improving alternative options like walking, biking, and public transit. These forms of transportation are more affordable and easier to maintain for the state.

ODOT is essentially trying to build a second story on their home when they can't even pay the mortgage.