

To whom it may concern

I believe that Oregon has never committed to decent transportation within the state. It is only when travel is egregious that the state makes changes. Oregon thinks of itself as an old "timey" tourist or rural state with casual single lane roads for the occasional visitor. We have just started putting turn lanes at intersections on our 2 lane roads. That seemed like it took a long time

You want to pay for upgrades Put in TOLLS interstate highways but ...then DELIVER with quality and efficient roads-- that is the key. Make roundabouts mandatory, put them all over.

For vehicles 1. Make Hwy 97 a 4 lane highway ALL the way through the state from the Columbia river to the California border, and bypass ALL communities , make it another actual north - south highway similar to I5, maybe it would reduce traffic on I5

Make Highway 20 an actual east - west 4 lane Highway similar to I5 & I84 and bypass ALL communities.

Require electric charging stations at every rest stop, travel centers with food, restaurants along major corridors and gas stations and in ALL rural communities. AND MAINTAIN THEM in working order like gas pumps.

And require a standardization of charging plugs or ports like....gas pumps.

Require Bike lanes on ALL state highways ( ie., 240,219,221,223,214 226 etc...and the coast not just sections of these roads, more people might ride out in rural ares. I'm told they are afraid of getting hit. I have ridden these roads and you do have to be fearless.

And Bikes need to be well lit with mandatory rear flashing lights, I do on my bike and... helmet. And a mandatory headlight. Lights makes a difference. Drivers can see them , and it catches their attention.

If you re going to make a MAX rail line- serve the entire Valley at least to Eugene and make it run 18 hours daily so you can count on it, run the rail lines to other travel centers max lines and bus stations should be be connected to airports, PDX , Salem, Eugene and UNION Station and other local train stations. THEY SHOULD BE TRAVEL HUBS

You can never really count on AMTRAK ..it's frequently LATE and not responsive to actual local travel.

just thoughts

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