I've had the fortune to experience Portland in many stages of life, as a teenager, a young adult, and now as a father of a baby. I walk bike and drive in Portland every week. I have to go to places only a few blocks away and to visit my parents on the other side of town. Even though I drive on the freeways regularly, I know that any money spent on expanding the freeways would only make my life worse. More pollution, and more investment in long term car dependence. It would be a huge expense and would only cause harm.

I want to see the transportation money spent on things that would benefit me and my community. I want more safety improvements to calm my biggest fear, that my daughter will be hurt in a crash. I want safe walking and biking infrastructure so we can explore together. Please abandon the poorly thought out highway expansions and invest the transportation money in safer infrastructure for our communities.