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I am writing in support of the E-bike rebate bill.

Equitable access to E-Bikes is the path forward to reducing carbon emissions in our transportation sector. E bikes are currently more expensive than an average bike and providing a rebate will help to make the E-bike a more cost effective transportation method.

Mode shift away from cars is the most important action we can take to improve our air quality and safety on our streets. Electric cars are helpful in reaching our climate goals but they are unfortunately noisy, dangerous to non car road users, require large parking spaces, use large amount of energy and required more land use and rare earth material use than e-bikes do.

E-bikes are an affordable and more sustainable solution to our climate emergency and Oregon DEQ should do everything in their power to incentives mode shift and E-bike use in the state. This is something I want, my family wants and members of my community have been asking for.