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The city of Salem facing a budget shortfall asked the voters to approve a payroll tax on employees who work in Salem but live outside of Salem. The Salem voters knew of the budget shortfall. However; they supported government employees and/or the state of Oregon by voting NO by a margin of 81%. Now it's time for the state to help Salem by passing HB 4072.

The state also needs to review how the removal of the dams on the Willamette River will impact Salem, the capital and flood insurance when flooding occurs. How the removal will impact the Willamette valley and impact the Urban Flood Safety and Water Quality District.

Research how the increase of sediment (one foot in 30 years) will increase the flood plain.

Respectfully, Tim Cowan